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The

5th Grade Tribune

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Welcome Back!

As the days are starting to cool and students are back into a routine of digital learning, the 5th graders at EKD are excited to be the new leaders of the school. The students have already set rigorous Math, Writing, Reading and Social goals to attain this marking period. They are excited to collaborate on group projects and make individual progress this year through the use of technology and the arts.

ELA – Reading and Writing

The fifth grade teachers are very excited to jump into reading this year. They can't wait to share their love of reading with all of their students and to encourage a new found or rekindled love of text in their students.

During the first few weeks of the year routines will be established. The fifth grade teachers will be holding individual conferences with each student to help set up reading groups and to gather information that will help them to better understand each student as an individual reader.

Save the Date!

DI Parent/
Student Meeting
9/11 4:00-5:00 PM
Location: EKD
Maps Testing
9/9 Reading
9/10 Math

OLSAT Testing
9/29-10/3
Association Day
10/17 No School

End of MP1
10/31

Happy Birthday!



Caleb – 8/4
Gavin – 8/26
Sylvie – 9/21

ELA Continued

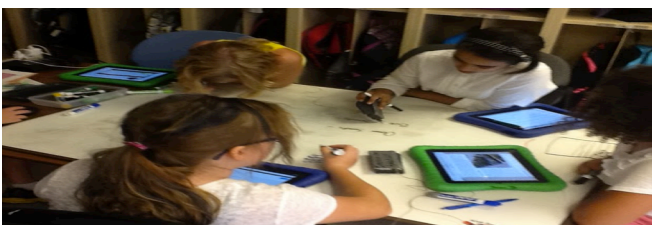
5th grade students will begin to learn how to effectively research and integrate multiple texts together. Reading informational texts that relate to our Social Studies and Science units will become a part of our daily routine. We encourage parents to use websites like NewsEla.com or Dogonews.com to practice reading non-fiction with your child.

Science

The 5th graders will be studying environments and the effect humans have on environments as well as the effect environments have on humans. They will be working on growing their own terrestrial environment this month in a terrarium. Students will be planting a selection of different plants and growing them straight from the seed. They will be keeping a precise log with observations on their plants; including how much water and sunlight is received each day. 5th graders will also choose a biome on which to complete an in-depth research project. As the students develop a deeper understanding of environment they will draw connections to the five themes of geography as well as reasons for settlement and colonization.

Social Studies

In 5th grade Social Studies the students have began learning about geography. Students will have the opportunity to explore the themes of region, place, location, movement and human environment interaction through hands-on digital lessons. They will learn and use map skills to understand how and why people settled in the New World. We encourage you to take a look at maps at home or even consider drawing a map of your neighborhood or community with your child.



Mathematics

Students in 5th grade will continue to study Numbers and Operations in Base Ten. 5th graders will explore the powers of ten through hands on lessons, videos and guided math groups. As they develop a deep understanding of large whole numbers, decimal numbers and place value, students will begin to create their own videos to demonstrate mastery. We encourage parents and students to check out Mr. D's lesson videos that are posted on Google Drive and www.ddulberger.weebly.com for extra math support.

Technology based math programs like Scootpad and Frontrow provide more individualized math instruction for your child. Both of these programs are available on iPads and computers with Internet access.



Tech Corner

Check out some great digital resources that could be helpful for what we are studying this marking period!

Math:

<https://www.frontrowed.com/> - Log into Mr. Dulberger's Class with the code i42qrq
<http://pbskids.org/cyberchase/> - PBS Kids Cyberchase Games

Social Studies/ Science:

<http://www.mission-us.org/> - An awesome game on Colonization!
<http://ui.uncc.edu/gallery/environmental-art-nc-charlotte-usa-photo> - An environmental art photo gallery!

ELA Reading/ Writing:

<http://www.scholastic.com/storia-school/> - Includes free eBooks for kids!
<http://www.dogonews.com/> - Great daily news stories for kids