

Here comes the COLD ... 5th GRADE .. JANUARY Newsletter



Mrs. Martin's Math

FRACTIONS.....FRACTIONS....FRACTIONS

In January we are working on multiplying, dividing, fractions and using real world problems. We all use fractions almost daily! IF you get the chance to point those times out to your student, it will help give purpose to what we do. Reading recipes, dividing teams, etc. Be on the lookout for fractions! Also, students should know their basic multiplication facts by 5th grade. If they will learn them well, it will make all of the other skills we study go much easier!

Please, quiz them a few times while driving in the car, a couple of facts before dinner, or just write their 6s, 7s, and 8s once before tv or games. Facts are a foundation skill and mastering them will lead to better grades and less homework time. We will be testing both Multiplication and Division facts this month! Practice! Practice! Practice!

Thanks! Stay warm!

Mrs. Stewart-Merryman and Mrs. Peck are working on cross-curriculum with paired texts for reading and writing skills. Following our December iReady assessments we are all working on vocabulary, comprehension, and informational text in RTI.

Please see Mrs. Stewart-Merryman's website (listed on our student homepage) for weekly spelling words, vocabulary words, and featured skills. Asking your students a little about what they are reading and studying can make a huge difference! Please encourage them to read a library book of their choice each evening. We will be having another school-wide reward for those meeting the Reading Quiz goals set for this 9 weeks! It is a great time to get a FRESH START! Thank-you!

Mrs. Peck's Social Studies are busy studying early colonization of the American colonies. Each student over the next few weeks will be presenting a lesson of their choice to teach their fellow classmates. They will choose to present a lesson by a Google Slide Presentation, first-person interpretation, an advertisement, an original song, rap or skit. We are excited to see the creativity in learning from each other!

In writing, we are working on practice iLEARN prompts every week. Also, we continue to work on constructive responses using the YES MA'AM method. We are writing using paired texts

using 3-4 sources. In RTI, we have turned our project into a submarine! Each RTI student has been becoming an expert and all are anxiously awaiting our presentations!

