

Monday: Gym



Tuesday: Art



Wednesday: Technology



Thursday: Music; Library

Friday: Gym



Room 31 Newsletter

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Happy birthday!



No birthdays this week

Reading: Students will continue to learn how to read with power by making comparisons to other texts, reading aloud with expression, and reflecting on their reading goals.

Students need to have a book to read during independent reading time.

Writing: Students will continue working on their personal narratives by using flashbacks, elaborating their ideas, and creating strong leads.

Grammar: Writing Numbers and Plural Nouns

Word Work: Words from Science

Math: Students took the end-of-module assessment last Friday. It came home with your child today. Please sign and return it so I know that you have seen it. Our next module is Mental Strategies for Multi-Digit Whole Number Multiplication. Students need to **know** their math facts through 12 for this and all future modules. **Please make sure they're practicing XtraMath daily!**

This Week (10/7/19):

October 9: ½ Day- PD day- 12:13 dismissal
October 9: Parent Club mtg., 9:30am

Next Week (10/14/19):

October 18: Spirit Day- MisMatch Day
October 18: Trunk or Treat, 7:00-8:00pm

Social Studies:

We are finishing up Unit 2 this week. Our next unit is Chapter 3: American Indian Cultural Regions. Students will understand how and why American Indian cultural regions differ.

Leader In Me: This week we are working on our class mission statement. Ask your child, "What does your class mission statement mean to you?"
Next week we will start working on **Habit 1: Be Proactive**. Our first lesson focuses on being responsible.

IXL skill/category: Multiplication and Mixed Operations ~ C:4 & 8; O:4

These skills support our current unit of study and will help with understanding of the concepts.
Students should be using IXL 30 minutes a day, at least 3 times per week

Upcoming:

October 29: Fall Picture Make-up day
October 31: Halloween activities, parade at 11:30am
October 31: ½ Day, 12:13 dismissal

** Please make sure your child is practicing their math facts daily. Knowing their math facts is important because most 5th grade concepts involve multiplication and/or division, and therefore, knowing the facts will make math easier/less time-consuming.



our library time is Thursday mornings. All books should be turned in by wednesday afternoon each week.

We will be starting Module 2 and Math Rotation Stations. The students will be required to do the activities in Zearn for each lesson. **They will do the activities at home the night before we do the lesson in class**, so that they are ready to work in small groups/independently the next day. During their rotations, the students will have 20-25 minutes to work on their problem sets, so they should not have much, if any, homework in their workbooks. The Zearn activities will be daily homework. It should take about 15 minutes to complete each night. Check with your child each day that they've finished their Zearn.

The students are still deciding on activities for the Halloween party. I'll send details as the students finish the planning process.



Here are the apps/websites included in your child's password list:

Google: Your child's log-in in case they somehow get logged out of their Google account on their iPad. They need to be logged into their Google Account in order for any new apps or updates to be pushed through.

SpellingCity.com: A website for students to practice the weekly spelling pattern and demonstrate their knowledge.

Zearn: This site is aligned exactly with EngageNY. Students (and parents) will use this to reinforce and reteach any lessons on which they may need more help. There are sample problems and videos to explain the lessons.

XtraMath: All of the concepts the students will be learning this year are dependent on the students knowing their math facts. Students need to practice their multiplication and division facts so they know them by heart.

IXL Math: This site provides extra practice to support the topics we're working on in class.

MobyMax: An adaptive, differentiated learning website to help students in different subject areas.

Freckle: A fun game-like site to practice fifth grade math and reading concepts.

RazKids: A website to practice reading concepts, comprehension, and fluency.

Epic!: An online library of books the students can read at their reading levels.

Discovery Education: This is the online website we use for Science. Students need to be able to log-in if they ever have Science homework.

TeachTCl: This is the online website we use for Social Studies. Students need to be able to log-in if they ever have Social Studies homework.

