



# The Final Five - Grade 5

NOVEMBER 2016

Dear 5<sup>th</sup> grade families,

It's hard to believe November is already here and we have completed the first marking period. We look forward to meeting with parents on November 3<sup>rd</sup> to discuss your child's progress.

As you are aware the weather is getting colder, please be sure your child is dressed appropriately as they go outside for recess daily, weather permitting.

Sincerely,

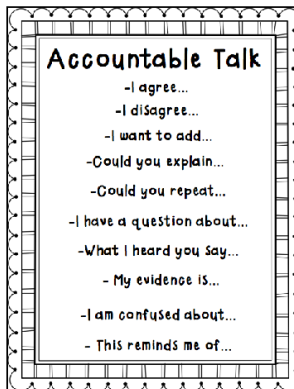
Fifth Grade Teachers

This month students will focus on the following:

**Math:** Students will begin Chapter 2- Dividing Whole Numbers. They will be dividing us. Students should continue to master their multiplication facts as it is a critical skill needed to comprehend Chapter 2.

**Reading:** Students will continue reading The Night of Spadefoot Toads, by Bill Harley. They will focus on author's purpose, style and craft.

To help students have meaningful discussions and respond to a text appropriately, we have implemented accountable talk stems. Please encourage students to use them at home in your discussions. Here are some examples:



## Social Studies

Students will be learning about the Geography in the Western Hemisphere: The diverse geography of the western Hemisphere has influenced human culture and settlement in distinct ways. Students will learn that human communities in distinct ways have modified the physical environment.

**Science:** Unit one provides students with an introduction to the scientific method including inquiry. The purpose of the unit is to practice the steps. Students learn best designing and conducting investigations as an ongoing process that will be practiced throughout the study of all other units.

**Additional News:** Students have received MyOn login information to access a variety of books on their level. The website is interactive and allows students to have fun while reading.

## Important Dates:

Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>

Parent Teacher Conferences

12:50- 2:40pm

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4:30- 7 pm

Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>

Day Trip to South Street Seaport for High Achievers

Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>

Dad's Day Out

10:00am Sharp

November 8<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>

School Closed

We will be going on our 2<sup>nd</sup> Library Visit this month. Most students have received their Library Cards and will be able to take out books. If your child has not received a library card please contact your classroom teacher so they can give you the application to complete.

High performing students received a permission slip for STEM Program of Digital Architecture afterschool program. Please sign and return permission slip to you child's teacher.

\*ALL TRIP PERMISSON SLIPS AND MONEY ARE DUE NO LATER THAN NOV. 14<sup>TH</sup>!\*

THE COST IS \$10 PER STUDENT.