



The Streaks | 5th Grade Newsletter 2021 – 2022

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Message From The 5th Grade LEGO Team

Greetings Parents & Scholars:

Greeting Tiger Family! We are currently beginning our seventh week of the school year and the 1st quarter is about to close. The learning and growth opportunities are increasing each and every minute in all classes. As we head to the finish line, we would like to begin setting up parent conferences before the scheduled full day, as well as the day set aside. This week we will send home a letter and ask that you pick three times that are convenient for you. We will notify you of the approved selection.

Keeping you in the loop is a top priority of the 5th team. This past week we had to cancel cross curricular day due to a school scheduling conflict, but assure you that the next one will be one that the kids come home raving about. Speaking of the school, we have clubs every Friday now for the final hour of the day and it is going extremely well. We encourage you to talk to your scholar about their club.

The standards are forever changing from week to week and as the rigor increases, we are asking you to please check the planners to see homework or even reach out to us to see what the prescription for growth is anytime you need to. The new name for homework is Prescription for Growth! We just came up with that.

Again, thank you for entrusting us to help make a difference in the lives your children!

Mr. Moore & Ms. Angelica





Math/Science

It's week seven! Students are about to take their mid-mission assessment in Math and small groups are well under way.

Homework this week will be given out on Monday, as students will have a study guide to help them practice for the Mid-Mission Assessment on Tuesday. Students can expect a smaller homework assignment on Thursday. As a reminder, homework in Math/Science is usually given out on Tuesdays & Thursdays and is due the next day. However, there may occasionally be an extra assignment given on a different day to help further their progress in math or science.

Please note that students should complete 3 i-Ready lessons a week, with at least 45 minutes spent on i-Ready. Further, the lessons and time should be spread throughout the week. Please help keep students on track with their i-Ready, reading, and homework goals.

Students are learning about Place Value and decimals in math, and the tools frequently used in investigations during science.



ELA/Writing/Social Studies

Parents we are working are way into week seven and I must say that the school year is off to a great start. This upcoming week, we will continue working on compare & contrast, but also incorporating figurative language.

As a reminder, the Prescription for Growth (homework) is typically given on Mondays & Wednesdays in reading, but occasionally the scholar may come home with work to do on different days based on the individual needs assessed for the particular areas of reading. It is a necessary evil so to speak for the overall good, which is growth. Please be reminded that the expectation of reading for 30 to 45 minutes nightly is not considered a part of The Prescription for Growth. It is separate and they have mandatory reading Monday thru Thursday and they may pick one day between Friday and Sunday, which will total their five nights.

This upcoming week, we will rotate more fluidly in small group, there will be independent reading within the class and we will move into developing our conclusion during the writing block. We will also begin opinion writing, as we recently took an assessment on informational writing.

Parents, as the reading teacher, I would like to emphasize that many of our scholars are not where they should be and I am asking that you trust the process and support me when it comes to them reading nightly, as well as any homework given. It is to help with their overall academic growth.

Thank you to all parents that have sent in supplies and incentives. I am still encouraging everyone to continue to do the same.

"Education is for improving the lives of others and for leaving your community and world better than you found it." –Mary Wright Edelman

Wow!!! The Streaks have been going well. Of course, we have had some hiccups along the way, but overall the competition amongst Streak family groups is working. It is causing our scholars to be accountable to each other when it comes to behavior and academics.

Our streak families have been truly helping with maturity development, as the scholars have bought in and are holding one another accountable. They are finding it fun in many cases and it is allowing them to get to know scholars they may not have always socialized with. We have had winners now for four weeks, with the red team pulling it out yet again, as well as being the overall point total leader for the nine weeks. Please help us to help them stay motivated about their growth and helping to motivate their family members.

The desire to win is pushing all of the scholars to motivate and encourage others to do the right things. So far team orange, red and blue have won a week and the prizes that accompany winning. The overall winner will come from a tally of points and will win the quarterly prize.



- ▶ i-Ready will be closely monitored in both reading and math. There will be notifications given and scholars will be honored for their hard work using this school adopted resource for learning



- ▶ We will be implementing a system in which technology will be heavily involved in assisting the growth of our scholars.

Please note that this year, we will be having cross curricular classes with authentic lessons geared for in depth learning More information to follow.



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