

# PARENT INVOLVEMENT GUIDE

Week of January 17, 2024

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## Notes & Reminders:

- **Snacks:** Students are allowed to bring a small, healthy snack to school to eat in the mid-morning hours. They are also encouraged to bring plain water. **Please do not send anything with nuts or nut butters. We have students at the school with severe, life-threatening allergies.**
- **Jeans:** Students may wear jeans on Fridays with a school shirt. The jeans must follow the district dress-code.
- **Fluency Folder:** Please remember to work with your child to complete their fluency practice at home for the week. Fluency folders have the passage they need for their timed readings and comprehension questions. Instructions for completion are also in the folders.
- **Upcoming Dates:**
  - **January 15** - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No School
  - **January 19** - Early Dismissal - Students will be dismissed at 11:55
  - **February 1-2** - Conferences - Early Dismissal - Students will be dismissed at 11:55 each day
  - **February 9** - Mardi Gras Parade
  - **February 12-16** - Mardi Gras Holidays - No School

## Math:

- This week we will continue Module 4: Place Value Concepts for Decimal Operations. We will complete lessons 7-9. We will learn how to round decimal numbers to any place value unit and add decimal numbers by using different methods.
- The students will have a quiz on **Wednesday, January 17** on Module 4 Lessons 1-6. They will also have a quiz on **Friday, January 19** on writing decimals and fractions in standard form, word form, and expanded form and comparing decimals and fractions.
- The students will also have a quiz **next Tuesday, January 23** on Module 4 Lessons 7-10.
- Students should continue to practice their multiplication facts daily. (Ex: <https://www.factmonster.com/math/flashcards>)

## Science:

- This week we will begin Module 3: Earth Systems. We will focus on analyzing data on the amounts and distribution of fresh water and salt water on Earth (Lesson 4) and exploring marine ecosystems (Lesson 5).
- The students will have a quiz **next Tuesday, January 23** on Module 3 Lessons 1-5.
- The students received their Module 3 notes sheet. It is their responsibility to participate in investigations and class discussions to fill in the missing information. It will be checked throughout the module. The answer key can be found in the Science Google Classroom.
- *In-class assignments may be taken for a formative grade throughout our science curriculum.*

## ELA:

- Due to the half-day last week, our initial schedule of lessons and activities had to be adjusted. For this reason, we will take the chapters 8-10 comprehension quiz on **Wednesday, January 17**. During the week, we will complete Section 4 and read chapter 11. There will be a Section 4 diagnostic on **Friday, January 19**. There will be a vocabulary quiz on the vocabulary words from the 1-8-24 and 1-17-24 PIGS **next Monday, January 22**.
- We will continue implementing flex groups with all 5th grade classes. Students are placed in groups and will work on targeted skills that will allow them to become more proficient in their subject areas. Flex grouping will continue to take place from Tuesday-Friday of the given week during your child's ELA class period.
- **Important Vocabulary-** Please make sure your children know the following vocabulary words for this week. They may appear in upcoming lessons or assessments:
  - gaiety- the state of being lighthearted or cheerful
  - inquisitive- curious or inquiring
  - row- fight or a fuss
  - vermin- wild animal considered to be a pest; rodent
- *In-class assignments may be taken for a formative grade throughout our ELA curriculum.*

## Social Studies:

- The students will continue to be introduced to our new social studies curriculum. This week we will continue with Unit 2: West African Kingdoms.
- The students received a notes sheet that will be used to record learning as we go through the chapters. Through this new curriculum, we will be using a Student Reader. These books will be in a clear envelope along with the Studies Weekly articles. These materials must come back to school every day.

## Gators' Golden Rule #10:

Surprise others by performing random acts of kindness.