

PARENT INVOLVEMENT GUIDE

Week of November 13, 2023

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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.
- **Parent Google Classroom** - Join our parent google classroom using code [a77jxnk](#).
- **Upcoming Dates:**
 - **November 14** - Picture Retakes
 - **November 20-24** - Thanksgiving Holidays - No School
 - **November 28** - Holiday Pictures
 - **December 11** - Science and Social Studies Fair
 - **December 21** - Early Dismissal - Students will be dismissed at 11:55
 - **December 22-January 5** - Christmas Holidays - No School (Students return to school on January 8)

Math:

- This week we will continue Module 3: Multiplication and Division with Fractions. We will complete lessons 7-9. We will learn how to multiply fractions less than one.
- The students will have a quiz on **Tuesday, November 14** on Module 3 Lessons 1-6.
- The students will have a quiz on **Wednesday, November 29** on Module 3 Lessons 7-11.
- The students will have a test on **Friday, December 1** on Module 3 Lessons 1-11.
- The students received their test review today and should be working on it every day.
- Students should continue to practice their multiplication facts daily. (Ex: <https://www.factmonster.com/math/flashcards>)

Science:

- This week we will continue Module 2: Ecosystems. We will focus on using evidence to make a claim about the presence of decomposers in sand and soil (Lesson 12) and gathering and analyzing data to compare the amount of nutrients in sand and soil (Lesson 13).
- The students will have a quiz on **Wednesday, November 29** on Module 2 Lessons 12-14 (when we return from the Thanksgiving Holidays).
- The students should continue to fill in their Module 2 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.
- *In-class assignments may be taken for a formative grade throughout our science curriculum.*

ELA:

- This week, we will continue our new Guidebook Unit: The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe. We will read various sources to build our background knowledge, and chapters 1 and 2 of our novel. On **Wednesday, November 15** we will write an SPO, which will count as a formative grade.
- On **Tuesday, November 28** the students will complete a TWR activity in class for a formative grade.
- The students will have a test on **Thursday, November 30**, which will focus on chapters 1-3 of the novel.
- We will continue implementing flex groups with all 5th grade classes. Students will be placed in groups and will work on targeted skills that will allow them to become more proficient in ELA. Flex grouping will start off taking place once a week for around 25 minutes during your child's ELA class period. We will move to twice a week after Thanksgiving break.
- **Important Vocabulary-** Please make sure your child knows the following vocabulary words for this week:
 - **fantasy-** genre of fiction involving magical elements
 - **air raids-** an attack in which bombs are dropped from aircraft onto a ground target.
 - **parcels-** something wrapped in paper in order to be carried or sent by mail
 - **faun-** a creature that is part human and part goat
 - **jollification-** lively celebration with others
- *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 Chapter 2: Expansion of Empires, War, and Reform.
- 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 #4:

Respect everyone's comments, opinions, and ideas.