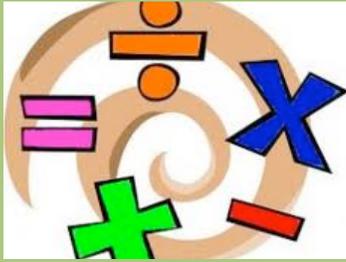


# Fifth Grade Falconer



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## I Can...Statements:

Math: I will learn the distributive property and the order of operations in order to solve real world problems that need to be acted out or apply reasoning in order to solve.

Reading: I will learn how to identify the topic, main idea, and supporting details in a nonfiction text.

Science: I will learn how a plant's parts help it survive and what their functions are.

Writing: I will will work on the grammar topics of kinds of verbs.



**iPods in the Classroom!** We are using more technology in the classroom through the use of iPods. Fairview has received iPods to be used in the classroom, which have our weekly reading stories, math fact practice games, and much more. The kids are excited and I am excited for them!

## Reading:

This week we are reading about an African American woman astronaut. She is facing many fears and many barriers He is facing his worst fear of all, HEIGHTS! He is forcing himself to climb a mountain with a small ledge in order to find his younger brother that has ran off. After reading this story, we have discovered that the author's message to us is it's ok to face fears. We talked about our fears in class and even though they may see silly to some people, it's about how our fear place makes US feel. Don't forget to study for your vocabulary test and spelling test this Friday!



**Math:** It's time for a change! We can all agree that we are ready to move on to a new and exciting topic--Algebra! This week we have been working in Topic 6- Algebraic Expressions. Students are working with unknown numbers called variable. Throughout the week we will be learning how to find the unknown amount, and what strategies they can use to do so, and writing these amounts using multiple operations. We even learned a song and dance to help us remember the order of operations. If I spoke with you at conference about basic facts and flash cards, you can be looking for those to come home next week.



**Science:** Do plants and animals have anything in common? Well this week we have attempted to answer that question. Last week we looked at the make up of a plant cell and an animal cell. They do share some characteristics, but also have total opposite parts. I hope they shared with you the exciting plant cells we made with real food on Friday!! Sticking with our plant theme, this week we will take a closer look into the parts of a plant. We have realized that we need plants to live. Not just for food, but for oxygen to breath.



### Conferences:

Thank you to all the families who came out to meet their child's teacher and get a better understanding of how they are doing in fifth grade. I know

everyones' time is precious so your support by coming to the scheduled conference is greatly appreciated. I hope that you have a better understanding now of 5th grade life and if you need anything please don't



### Red Ribbon Week

Was a great success last week! Thank you to everyone who showed their support and came dressed in the proper attire to support our school's pledge to

be drug free and bully free. Students received a red ribbon to wear as another way of showing their support, appropriate reading materials, and a pencil. In addition to this week of recognition, we pledge as fifth graders to avoid these behaviors in middle school and beyond. We discussed how peer pressure can help contribute to drugs and alcohol as well.

### Upcoming Dates:



- \* Friday, Nov. 11th- No School- Veterans Day
- \* Monday, Nov. 14th- Reading Logs- 50 Nights!
- \* Tuesday, Nov. 15th- Grandparents Breakfast
- \* Thursday, Nov. 17th- Family Reading Night

### PBIS and BIST sayings:

*Each week at Fairview, we post our PBIS and BIST expectations for students to follow. In this section of the newsletter, I will share with you what those are every week. They are posted as reminders to students on how they should behave in different places and at different times.*

**\*PBIS- Respecting Property**

**\*BIST- I can make good choices for myself.**

### Feedback Corner:



Each week, this section will be provided to allow you a space to provide feedback, ask questions, or notify concerns.

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