

Fifth Grade Falconer

Fairview's Mission: To Educate Children with 21st Century Skills to take their place in a global community.

Vision: A place where Families are valued, Expectations for learning are high, & Successes are celebrated!

Student Friendly Focus: When I read: I think, I question, I share

Happy New Year! Looking forward to a wonderful second semester as my kids get ready for middle school!

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Weekly I Can... Statements

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Math-

I Can learn how to add and subtract fractional parts and mixed numbers.

Reading-

I Can make predictions and inferences in a story to solve problems and make decisions.

Writing- I Can...

I Can use different types of figurative language in my writing.

Word

Knowledge- I Can...

I Can review Word Wall Words with prefixes inter-, con-, and com-.

Science- I Can...

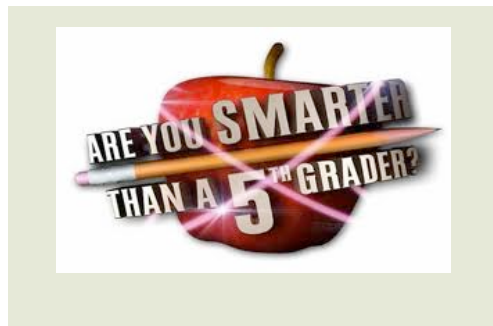
I Can learn about the properties of matter and energy using physical properties, elements, compounds, and the states of matter.

January 11, 2012



This week at a glance..

Reading: New Year, Fresh Start, New Theme in Reading!! We are starting our theme *Person to Person*. These stories will be centered around people helping each other, and learning how to solve conflicts between each other. We have 4 stories in this theme. This week's story focuses on making predictions and inferences, but learning how to problem solve in order to better comprehend. Remember that every Friday there will be a spelling test and vocabulary test related to the story.



Math: Even though we finished with fractions right before winter break, we picked right back up with them starting Topic 10. We are learning how to add and subtract fractions and mixed numbers. The catch is, they have unlike denominators. My students are beginning to master the steps you have to take before you can add and subtract these fractions. Please practice more of these problems at home so that the concept will stick. You can find extra problems

in their book and online at enVision's website.

Writing: This week we will be finishing up figurative language in our writing. Students have learned the rap song associated with learning the different types of figurative language. This will help us on ISAT to remember what the different types are. Look forward to our music video that we made coming to the website soon!!

Science: How much matter do you take up on Earth and in space? Is it the same? Is it different? All these questions can be answered by my students this week. We have been learning about physical properties and how things are made up of elements. We are taking this learning and continuing with the periodic table.

ESTIMATION VACATION!

Is it time already to take another vacation? A Math Vacation that is! Our Family Math Night will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 24th @ 5:30 p.m. A hot spaghetti dinner will be served at 5:30 and activities will begin afterwards. I look forward to seeing you as you come out to discover just what 5th grade Math is all about!

5TH GRADE FIELD TRIP:

A mandatory parent informational regarding the 5th grade field trip will be held Tuesday, Jan. 24th immediately following Family Math Night. We decided to have it together so that parents/guardians would not have to come out twice that week. This meeting is designed to inform parents and students of the rules associated with the field trip, as well as our fundraiser that will be taking place. In order for your child to go, it is imperative that you attend the meeting. We are encouraging students to come as well if possible. I look forward to seeing everyone there!!

AFTER-SCHOOL TUTORING:

It's not too late! If you still would like your child to receive help in reading, writing, and math, please sign them up for FREE after school tutoring. We are now offering the 21st Century program which is designed to help our students grow in the above mentioned areas. For more information please call the school and ask to speak with the Director, Mrs. Edie Wolf.

Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences:

Second semester conferences will be held on Thursday, February 2nd. Winter conferences are one day only and the times run from 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m. that evening. I will be contacting you soon to set up a time to discuss your child academics.



Important Dates:

Monday, Jan. 16th- No School- Martin Luther King's Birthday

Tuesday, Jan. 24th- Family Math Night @ 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 24th- 5th Grade Field Trip Parent Meeting (following Math Night, 6:45)

Wednesday, Feb. 1st- Good Citizens

PBIS/BIST saying:

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.

***CAFETERIA**

***I CAN TAKE GOOD CARE OF MYSELF.**

REPORT CARDS & COMPACTS

Please make sure to sign and return the last page of your child's report card. We are obligated to keep records to make sure that each family has received theirs. We also still need compacts signed by both parent and student, and returned to school as soon as possible.

Spelling Words

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| 1. district | 2. address |
| 3. complain | 4. explain |
| 5. improve | 6. farther |
| 7. simply | 8. hundred |
| 9. although | 10. laughter |
| 11. mischief | 12. complex |
| 13. partner | 14. orphan |
| 15. constant | 16. dolphin |
| 17. employ | 18. sandwich |
| 19. monster | 20. orchard |

FEEDBACK CORNER

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