

Fix & print....after get checklist done for school supplies

Dear 5B Parents,

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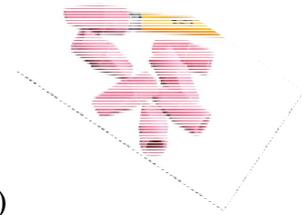
Welcome to fifth grade (5B). I am looking forward to working with you and your child. My goal: to “grow” your child academically and socially (if needed). The official start date for the 2014-2015 school year will be August 18th. Teachers will return on August 15th. We look forward to welcoming the students into the next exciting year of learning. Fifth grade is a memorable year and I look forward to engaging your child in my energetic/upbeat lessons.

Please encourage your child to read over the summer. Children should be reading chapter books at least 10 minutes a day, five days a week. Research proves that if children read, they improve in reading overall. Your child can also take AR test at the beginning of the school year on books they have read over the summer. Different ways of reading: read books online (YouTube, Storyline Online, Google Library of Virginia & then click the TumbleBooks Link), read books to a sibling, you can read a book with your child. Just please require some type of reading activity five days a week for 10-20 minutes.

Students in the fifth grade NEED to know their multiplication facts fluently. Meaning if asked what 4×9 is, they should be able to answer without counting on their fingers and toes. ☺ Your child will struggle in math if they do not know their multiplication facts. You can find fun ways to practice online: www.mathplay.com, www.mathplayground.com/games, www.coolmath4kids.com, & there are many more. Simply Google: multiplication games.

When you start shopping for school supplies in August, please consider buying the following items:

- Pencils and extra erasers for the tips of pencils (see picture)
- Loose leaf paper (1 pack only)
- 6 folders
- Pencil box/pouch/container- fits easily into a square box style desk
- 4\1-subject notebooks
- Post-It notes (at least 3 Post-It pads-we will use these for comprehension)
- Scissors
- Colored pencils, crayons, & skinny markers (no fat markers)- we use these for math class to draw problems using “color codes” & it is important that each student has colored pencils and/or skinny markers- the crayons are optional
- 2box tissues
- Highlighters- a variety of colors is best
- Dry erase markers (a pack of 4 or 5 markers for student’s SmartPals & whiteboards)
- Container of cleaning wipes (for desks and to cut down on germs)
- Tennis shoes for P.E.
- USB flash drives are used during Social Studies/Science Fairs



The State Department states that we can no longer require our students to buy school supplies but we may suggest them.

Signed one very excited teacher to have you & your child in 5B,