### FIFTH GRADE TAG TEAM NEWSLETTER

## WEEK OF NOVEMBER 4 - 8

We will focus on personal narratives in writing. A personal narrative is a piece set down in text describing an event in the writer's life. Personal narrative essays are nonfictional; they should include effective and powerful descriptions, imagery and varied / rich word choice.

### **DGP Sentences:**

(Week of Nov. 4) Mr. Owens played golf in Peachtree City, Georgia on Tuesday.

(Week of Nov. 11) Where are you going on vacation?

(Week of Nov. 18) Both Jimmy and I rode Seth's new bike.

Macaroni Boy: Test covering chapters 8 – 14 is scheduled for Thursday.

Figurative Language: We will continue to develop our understanding of figurative language and students will develop a project in class. They will have a choice of a flipbook, poster, or Powerpoint.

Congratulations to Karlie Keller!! She will represent the fifth grade at the county level poetry recitation competition. Way to go!

# **Vocabulary:**

No vocab words this week



We will focus heavily on the writing process and developing personal narratives.

#### **DATES You Should Know**

Tuesday, Nov. 5 – No School (professional learning)

Wednesday, Nov. 6 – Classification Science Test

Friday, Nov. 8 - Progress Reports

Tuesday, Nov. 12 – Unit 3 Math Test Party Animals Forms Due

Wednesday, Nov. 13 – Party Animals inhouse field trip

**Wish List** 

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Math: We had a great time reviewing skills with our Decimal QR Code Scavenger Hunts and games on Halloween! A special thanks goes to Riley's mom and Nolan's mom for volunteering with our centers. This week we'll finish up division with decimals and begin preparing for the test on November 12<sup>th</sup>. Students will also begin working on our culminating task for this unit - Road Trip. Most of the work for the assignment will be done at school, but your child may opt to continue working at home. Please remember that culminating tasks should be completed with as little parent assistance as possible (yes, I know that's easier said than done ③). There is another assignment due this week from the Decimal Playlist – Set 4. Some students (those with version 3 of the playlist) also need to complete Set 1. To help clarify the Decimal Playlist assignment, I've created a special page on my website. It includes FAQs, how-to-videos, and an updated and more detailed copy of the Playlist. Hopefully, this resource will help students to complete their assignments. Congratulations to Sean, Katie, and Ashley D.! They are the Players of the Week on our team. Because of the large amount of math homework on the playlist this week, there is no FIM homework.

**Science:** Our big test over Classification is on Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>! Please make sure you are using the study guide to practice for the test. Making flashcards that have the question on the front and the answer on the back are a super way to study by yourself. We will start our next Science unit on Genetics this week. The Genetics unit will be very short with that test tentatively scheduled for November 13th. Our next in-house field trip will be on November 13<sup>th</sup> also. Letters went home in the Communication Folders this week. See below if you need another copy.

Game #1

Game #2

Game #3

Game #4

Chapter 6 Study Guide

Answer Key

Party Animals Form