WELCOME

Dear Fifth Grader and Families,

I want to welcome you to fifth grade at New Boston Central School! A child's fifth grade year is an exciting transitional year in which students experience tremendous growth and work towards becoming more independent learners. Students will have many opportunities to work in teams, gain organizational skills, and create good study habits. We will work on developing individual goals together and focus on maximizing shared learning experiences. This year, fifth graders will be switching teachers for science and social studies! You will have Ms. Jen for science!

In fifth grade, we will be busy learning through hands-on activities, discovery lessons, and performance-based tasks. We will complete a cross-curricular national parks research project. Students will choose a national park and create a project showcasing their work. Projects will be celebrated with a school-wide National Parks Expo. Students will also learn about the core principles of American government and the foundations of American democracy through the study of the American Revolution and the original thirteen colonies. Throughout the year, we will explore interesting science topics through hands-on experiments and STEM activities, bringing creativity and science to life!

Having a "good fit" book at all times is a must and reading 20-30 minutes a day is an excellent way to keep up your reading skills. In fifth grade, students will participate in the 40 Book Challenge. The purpose of this reading challenge is to help expand reading horizons by reading books from various genres students wouldn't typically choose. I am so excited to dive into some new math concepts and hope that my incoming students will have mastered those multiplication facts! You got this!
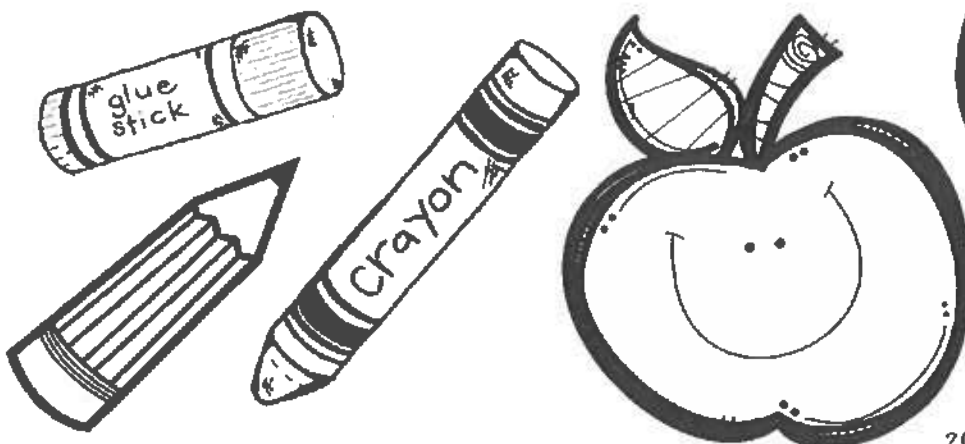
I look forward to all the adventures in the upcoming school year. I am very excited to be your teacher and can't wait to meet you!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Gentili

SUPPLY LIST

With the anticipation of the next school year, below is a list of supplies to ensure a successful beginning to your **fifth grade year.**

- ☐ 12 pencils and eraser tops
- ☐ Enclosed handheld pencil sharpener
- ☐ 12-inch ruler
- ☐ Pencil box or pouch
- ☐ Dry-erase markers
- ☐ Glue sticks
- ☐ Colored pen for correcting work
- ☐ A sturdy homework/notices folder
- ☐ Colored pencils (12 pack)
- ☐ Fine tip washable markers
- ☐ A positive attitude!

Happy shopping!

HELLO 5TH GRADE

We encourage you to <u>keep</u> <u>reading</u> this summer! Reading helps keep your **mind sharp**, **improves** your **vocabulary** and **spelling**, and is **FUN!** We hope you can curl up with many good books this summer as you take on the...

Summer Reading

Selfie Challenge!

We would love to see pictures of you as you complete each challenge! The reading challenge cards will be shared with the class upon our return to school and will count toward our **40 Book Challenge!** You can create a digital document with all of your pictures or bring your pictures in! Happy reading!

One more thing!

Knowing your multiplication facts entering 5th grade is SO important! They are the building blocks for higher-level math concepts and they help you develop strong number sense! Keep practicing over the summer! ☺

Have a GREAT Summer! We can't wait to meet you!

The 5th Grade Team

GRAPHIC NOVEL

YOUR BEST FRIEND'S FAVORITE BOOK

A BOOK MADE INTO A MOVIE

CLOSE YOUR EYES AND PICK A BOOK OFF THE SHELF

A BOOK WITH 500+ PAGES

A TRUE STORY

A BOOK SET IN A PLACE YOU WANT TO VISIT

A GENRE YOU DON'T NORMALLY READ

A BOOK OF POETRY

RE-READ A BOOK YOU LOVED

A NEWBERY AWARD WINNER

A BOOK WITH AN ANIMAL AS THE MAIN CHARACTER

A BIOGRAPHY ABOUT SOMEONE YOU ADMIRE

A BOOK ABOUT A JOURNEY

AN ADVENTURE STORY

A CLASSIC

ASK YOUR LIBRARIAN FOR A RECOMMENDATION

A NON-FICTION BOOK

A BOOK ABOUT MAGIC

CHOOSE A BOOK BASED ON ITS COVER

ONE OF YOUR MOM OR DAD'S FAVORITE BOOKS FROM THEIR CHILDHOOD

Reading Challenge

Color in the box when you've read a book in that category. Try to fill them all in!

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Cross Them Out #2

Solve all nine multiplication problems below. Locate and cross out each of your answers in the grid. When you have finished, 28 boxes will remain. Working horizontally, left to right, write the remaining letters in order in the empty boxes below the grid to reveal the answer to the following question.

What did the father say to his son who wanted to be a tank driver when he grew up?

1. $9,639 \times 4$

2. $7,092 \times 3$

3. $8,421 \times 2$

4. $5,604 \times 5$

5. $4,434 \times 9$

6. $7,638 \times 8$

7. $3,333 \times 3$

8. $8,089 \times 7$

9. $6,532 \times 6$

R 5	B 6	F 6	R 2	M 3	I 4	C 8	C 1	A 6	R 8	M 4	S 2
E 6	R 3	S 8	M 5	O 5	R 6	K 3	B 9	R 9	A 0	E 6	R 4
T 7	A 2	I 4	G 2	H 1	T 2	J 7	N 6	N 3	L 8	Y 2	W 7
B 6	R 1	I 1	M 0	S 4	O 6	N 1	T 9	S 3	T 4	A 1	N 1
T 9	R 9	I 9	M 9	D 4	I 2	N 4	I 3	N 9	G 1	S 9	B 2
Y 8	O 7	U 5	U 2	R 8	S 0	T 2	V 0	R 8	W 3	A 7	Y 5

Secret Code Time

Why did Godzilla eat Tokyo instead of Rome?

To figure out this riddle, solve the following problems and find your answers in the code boxes below. Write the letter from each problem in the code box with the matching answer. If the answer appears in more than one code box, fill in each one with the same letter.

M
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    67
x   38
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U
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    48
x   25
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N
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    94
x   50
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L
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    27
x   62
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W
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    53
x   35
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T
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    79
x   29
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D
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    58
x   34
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O
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    41
x   79
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I
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    55
x   84
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J
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    47
x   24
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E
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    62
x   37
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F
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    90
x   30
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R
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    24
x   25
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S
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    92
x   38
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A
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    47
x   96
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H
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    52
x   87
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| 4,524 | 2,294 |

| 1,128 | 1,200 | 3,496 | 2,291 |

| 1,855 | 4,512 | 3,496 |

| 4,700 | 3,239 | 2,291 |

| 4,620 | 4,700 |

| 2,291 | 4,524 | 2,294 |

| 2,546 | 3,239 | 3,239 | 1,972 |

| 2,700 | 3,239 | 600 |

| 4,620 | 2,291 | 4,512 | 1,674 | 4,620 | 4,512 | 4,700 |

| 2,700 | 3,239 | 3,239 | 1,972 | . |