

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Project

The project for upcoming 5<sup>th</sup> graders will deal with one of our biggest science goals: Weather. Students will choose a location (any city they choose) to research the weather on. You will keep track of the daily highs and lows and any precipitation. You will keep a weather journal of your city for 2 weeks. This can be any 2 weeks during the summer. Students will use this data to create line graphs that display this information.

Then, you will choose a book on a specific natural disaster of your choice. There are some suggestions at the bottom of the page. After reading the book, you will write a page-long report on what you learned from the book. Your goal will be to try to find out what weather conditions were present when this natural disaster took place. Therefore, helping you understand what conditions are most likely to lead to what types of weather.

Natural disaster suggestions: droughts, landslides, earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, tornado, tsunami, wildfires.

The following will be expected on your first day of 5<sup>th</sup> grade:

- Weather journal
- Line graphs
- Report

**\*\*Please make sure your child knows and has practiced his/her multiplication facts during the summer. We will hit the ground running in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and that assumes that all children already know these.**

**\*\*In addition to the natural disaster book, we strongly encourage your child to read daily...even if it is only 15 minutes. The best way to become a better reader is to practice.**