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Dear Parents,

As I am writing this newsletter, our Fifth Grade students are completing the second half of the New York State Social Studies Assessment. They have been working very hard over these last two and a-half months preparing themselves. In addition to reviewing information they learned in Kindergarten, First, Second, Third and Fourth Grade, they also learned about our federal government and the constitution. I am sure they will do very well!

Report Cards go home next week. Elementary report cards are holistic; they incorporate numerous assessment techniques to determine a grade. In addition to the performance level, your child/ren will receive an independent effort grade as well. And, students will also be judged on how they perform certain skills and strategies (the C.O.I.N.). Please refer to the Parent Guidelines that were sent home to you recently which explains the new report card format. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me and/or Mrs. Kolodny. Please remember that each quarter's grades are independent of the quarter that precedes or succeeds it.

Upcoming events include...

Friday, November 14th- SPIRIT DAY (wear the green and gold). Diabetes Walk during Specials. Fifth Graders go to AHAP, and make-up exams for the Social Studies assessment begin. Classes 4P and 5Gi are off to Young Chefs Academy at 12:00. Character Education Kick-off Assemblies; K, First and Third Grade at 9:30; Second, Fourth and Fifth Grade at 10:15.

Monday, November 17th- Social Studies make-up exams continue. Math Olympiads at 8:15 in Room 107.

Tuesday, November 18th- Final day for Social Studies make-up exams.

Wednesday, November 19th- REPORT CARDS GO HOME TODAY. Third Grade AHAP. Site Based at 8:15. Class 5Ro is off to the Young Chefs Academy from 9:15-11:00, and Class 5Mi goes from 12:00-1:30. Pre-K participates in the Tumblebus program (AM and PM). Parent-Teacher Conferences 6:00-9:00.

Thursday, November 20th- Picture make-up day. Fourth Grade AHAP. Parent-Teacher Conferences 6:00-9:00.

Looking ahead...*Friday, November 20th*-Parent-Teacher Conferences daytime session. **NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS.**

Have a great reading weekend.

Sincerely,

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