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# Fifth Grade Weekly Update

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Edition 6



Many Thanks to All!

Thank you to everyone for their help with the Thanksgiving feast! As always it was a wonderful time for students!

Thank you to those parents that came to conferences on Thursday night. I look forward to speaking with everyone on Monday as well. It is a joy to work with all of your children!

Thank you to students who brought in can foods for those in need.

I hope all families have an enjoyable Thanksgiving break!

Upcoming date to remember:

- Nov. 21 – Figurative Language Quiz
- Nov. 22 – Unit One Science Test (Physical Science)
- Nov. 29 – Math Chapter three test
- Nov. 30 – Fifth grade mass (Mass parts will go home with students on Monday, Nov. 28)
- Nov. 30 – Apostle's Creed Oral Exam
- Dec. 9 – South American Capitals Test

Advent is my favorite season of the year. During Advent we will have a Jesse Tree displayed in the room and each day we will add an ornament and discuss the bible verse relating to it. Students will be tested over the symbols and the stories they represent. I challenge students to tell you about the stories each day.

If your family is looking for a wonderful book to read in Advent I highly encourage you to purchase Jotham's Journey by Arnold Ytreeide. Unfortunately, we will not have time to read it during school, but it a WONDERFUL book to read as a family.

What we are learning...

Reading: A Fish in a Tree

We finished the novel and have been working on activities relating to the novel all week in order to prepare for the figurative language quiz and the online quiz over the book (bookadventure) on Monday. Our next class novel is The Sign of the Beaver and all students will have a copy to read along. This novel will focus on citing evidence.

Writing: Personal Narrative

Focusing on adding dialogue to strengthen our personal narratives. We will learn to create leads and conclusions to add to our story after Thanksgiving break.

English: Verbs!

Students are still working on verb tenses and subject/verb agreements. This is a long chapter and we will be working on these skills after Thanksgiving break.

Religion: Students learned about the Apostle's creed and what each part means. They finished their I Am poems and they are out in the hallway for all to see.

Social Studies: Students have been working with climate zones of the western hemisphere. They took their quiz over South American countries and are learning the South American capitals for their quiz on December 9<sup>th</sup>.

Science: We are finishing our unit by discussing chemical changes. Students can log onto quizlet to study their vocabulary.

Math: This was a much quicker unit than our first unit. We are ready to test after Thanksgiving break and will move on to division next.

\*There will not be spelling next week!



Check out our classroom website for lots of pictures from recent events!

Monday and Tuesday of next week are great days for us to catch up on missed objectives. Students will have extra time to free read and we will be spending some time completing a Thanksgiving webquest. I will be working with groups of students to work in small groups during this time.