Upcoming Events

Oct. 3 P.D. Day (no school for students)

Oct. 4: Need a small mason jar for today!

Oct. 9: Thanksgiving Holiday! Enjoy!

Oct. 13: Picture Orders Due

Oct.23: Scholastic Book Orders due (accepted payment is through Parent Pay on the website, cash or cheque)).

Oct. 27: Picture Retakes

Oct. 31: Hallowe'en Festivities

Grade 5 Newsletter

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Language

In Language we are finishing our work on non-fiction text features and using these features to create a brochure on a country. We will then identify narrative text features using "Fiction Soup". We will then use these features to make a comprehensive written summary. We will also spend time in October writing various poems using different poetry forms. Spelling quizzes will remain on Monday's this month. New words are given on Tuesday's.

Math/Social Studies

In Math, we are beginning our unit on Number Sense/Numeration. It is extremely valuable for students to know their basic multiplication facts, and to be able to add/subtract multi-digit numbers, knowing when to re-group and borrow. Likewise, a strong understanding of place value (i.e. the value of the number 5 in 625 893 is 5000).

In Social Studies, we are working on our first unit, which is Canadian Government. Students will be learning all about the different levels of government and what services each level is responsible for governing. We are currently focusing on Canadian Citizenship, and available organizations that help refugees or immigrants after they arrive in Canada. Our Social Studies test will be sometime toward the end of the month/very beginning of November. Keep an eye in your child's agenda for a specific date.

Notes & Reminders:

- We use calculators regularly in class. Although we have some available in class, your child would benefit from having his/her own. They do no need to be fancy- basic calculators is all that's needed.
- If you'd like to sign-up for Remind 101 still, send a note in your child's agenda and I'll send home the instructions.
- Look for another Colour House Assembly at the end of the month! Let's aim to win Most Spirited once again!
- Students need to have proper footwear at school for physical education classes. They should also have a change of gym clothes (especially in pant/sweater season), a small bag for their clothes, and a deodorant stick (aerosol sprays are not permitted at school). We have gym on Days 1 & 5.
- Refillable water bottles are highly recommended. Students will not be allowed to keep open canisters on their desks.

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I have read and received the October newsletter with my child.

Child's Name:

Parent/Guardian Signature: