



# Fifth Grade Post

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## MONTH AT A GLANCE

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4:** No SCHOOL- END OF MP1 GRADING

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5:** No SCHOOL- ELECTION DAY

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15:** ELC WATERSHED SYMPOSIUM

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22:** FALL FESTIVAL

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25 & TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26:** EARLY RELEASE DAYS - PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27- FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29:** No SCHOOL - THANKSGIVING BREAK

Other updates for this month will be provided by administration, as information is released.

### Happy NOVEMBER Birthday to:

- 2 - Vincent L
- 5 - Nya
- 7- Vidhan
- 7 - Aanya
- 25 - Andrea
- 26 - Amyna
- 27 - Ranirose
- 30 - Makai

### Announcements and Reminders

#### **PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES:**

Make sure you sign-up for a conference with your child's homeroom teacher! Click on the appropriate link below to access the schedule and sign-up.

- [Mr. Douds' Conference Link](#)
- [Mrs. Khadir's Conference Link](#)
- [Ms. Parrott's Conference Link](#)
- [Mrs. Walsleben's Conference Link](#)

#### **Harmony**

This month we will focus on: [Unit 2 - Valuing Each Other](#)

## LITERACY

### **CKLA**

Students will begin Unit 3 which focuses on poetry. They will learn why poetry is important and read multiple poems from different authors. The poems for this unit are from the 18th century all the way to today's time period. The poets come from a variety of backgrounds and nations. Students will learn about the use of symbolism and figurative language in poems as well as literary devices that poets use. They will be reading both free verse and formal poems throughout the unit. Students will have an opportunity to write poetry and apply what they have learned through their poetry reading.

### **Enriched Literacy**

Students have been diving into strategies for note taking, quoting, questioning, and researching as we prepare for our Watershed Symposium. We have also begun learning strategies informational writers use to inform readers by writing Chesapeake Bay Watershed feature articles. As we begin marking period 2, we will begin a new theme in reading: Persistence and Perseverance. Our focus question will be, "What impact does determination have on how people achieve their goals?"

## MATH

### **Eureka 5**

We are working hard in our Module 2 and we will continue to work in this Module up to Thanksgiving. We will be studying division with multi-digit numbers using the partial quotients strategy. We will then apply this strategy to divide with decimals and solve measurement word problems. When returning from Thanksgiving break, we will begin our module on fractions by finding equivalent fractions.

### **Eureka 5%**

Students develop a coordinate system for the first quadrant of the coordinate plane and use it to solve problems. Students use the familiar number line as an introduction to the idea of a coordinate and construct two perpendicular number lines to create a coordinate system on the plane. They see that just as points on the line can be located by their distance from 0, the plane's coordinate system can be used to locate and plot points using two coordinates. They then use the coordinate system to explore relationships between points, ordered pairs, patterns, lines and, more abstractly, the rules that generate them.

### **HEALTH**

Students will learn about substance use and misuse prevention strategies. They will learn about short term and long term effects of alcohol, nicotine, caffeine, marijuana, and other products. Students will identify the negative consequences of using these products and the positive benefits of not using these products. Lastly, students will learn about healthy decision making skills and refusal skills to reduce health risks.

### **SCIENCE:**

*Grade 5 Science Unit Two Overview (What happens to our garbage?)*

In November, we will begin this unit with Lesson 1. In lesson 1, students develop the Driving Question (DQ) Board and link the questions together to form the DQ, What happens to our garbage? As we move forward students will then plan and set up an investigation using landfill bottles to answer the question, Do garbage materials change in a landfill bottle? They also collect initial data that they will later use as evidence for observing changes in the properties of materials and for establishing conservation of matter.

### **SOCIAL STUDIES:**

In Unit 2, students will use social studies literacy and thinking skills to learn about how different perspectives of people living in America led to increased tensions. They will answer the unit question: **How do people respond to social, economic, and political uncertainty?**

Topics: Westward expansions, perspective/issues related to enslavement, & Civil War.