

A NOTE FROM MS. REMINGTON - JANUARY 7TH

Welcome to the 3rd nine weeks of 5th grade! The year has just flown by. I hope your student is enjoying it as much as I am. I also hope you had a wonderful Christmas break.

Attached you will find the practice list for the upcoming Spelling Bee. We will have our **classroom spelling bee on Friday, January 15th**. Study hard! The winners will then move on to the **school wide spelling bee on January 27th**. You will also find the information about the art contest associated with the spelling bee on the back of the practice list.

Our next **AR test day will be January 15th**. Students should have their books finished by the morning of the 15th.

I am also sending home the students' most recent STAR test scores and AR quiz results and averages. Let me know if you have any questions.

There will be **no school on Monday, January 18th**.

Mrs. Reeves and I will be sending home progress reports every 2 weeks. If your student has any missing assignments, they will be listed on the progress report. Your child can turn in those missing assignments for a late grade (minus 5 points for each day late for Ms. Remington.) If no assignment is turned in, the recorded grade will remain a 0. We are doing this to develop more responsibility in the students and to help prepare them for moving down our hallway to middle school. You are always welcome to check your

student's grades and any missing assignments anytime on our online gradebook. I will also be placing sticky notes on the board as I grade and discover missing assignments. The students have been encouraged to check those sticky notes for their names instead of waiting for the progress reports.

5th grade will be taking the state writing assessment **February 24th**. Students will read two passages, which may be fiction or non-fiction, and respond to a writing prompt based on the passages. The essay will either be narrative, expository, or opinion. We will continue to prepare for this assessment in the classroom. My goal is to give the students as much practice as possible with all three writing modes so they are confident on test day. I am staying as current as possible with any information that comes up about our state tests so the students will be well-prepared. Once again, let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you for your participation in the Christmas Break Mug Reading Challenge. The winners are Markel Holloway (5A) and Kadence Skupien (5B). You can check out all our mugs on the bulletin board outside our classrooms.

Report cards will be handed out this week. Please make sure your student's lunch bill is paid in order to receive the report card.

Yearbooks are on sale either online or through homeroom teachers. Cost is \$30 and the deadline is **February 3rd**.

Fondly,

Ms. Remington