

5th Grade Track 1 News

Sycamore Creek Elementary

October 2, 2015

Curriculum Updates:

Math

We started a short unit on geometry this week that will continue for another week at least. Right now it looks like the test for this unit will be on Tuesday, October 13th. By the end of the unit, students should understand attributes belonging to two-dimensional figures (mostly triangles and quadrilaterals) and be able to classify the figures in hierarchy diagrams. See parent letter on the back for more details!

Daily Café

We're trying something new in reading this quarter! Mrs. Butts and Mrs. Shank are working together to integrate Social Studies concepts into reading instruction. Next week we'll focus on making annotations (or "tracks") during reading, using Social Studies-based texts to help us practice. Making annotations during reading will be encouraged all year long, as it's a way to SLOW down and process read information.

Science:

Mrs. Butts' students will continue to study Ecosystems with Mrs. Edwards, and Mrs. Shank's students will continue their unit on Motion and Design with Mrs. Halychyn.

Coming Up Soon...

Monday, October 5

- LEADER program with Officer Crudup

Wednesday, October 7th

- 9:10 5th grade - Retakes and Absentees

Tuesday, October 13

- McTeacher Night

Tuesday, October 20

- Croc Mile

Thursday, October 22

- DC Parent Meeting, 5:30-6:30

Wednesday, October 28

- Square One Art orders due

Monday, November 16 - November 17

- Washington, D.C. field trip

Lego Club

Mrs. Hochbrueckner would like to start a Lego Club this winter. In order to do so, she needs your help gathering Legos! Please send in any new or used Legos that you are willing to donate to the program. You may send them in with your child or place them in the "Lego box" in the main office. Thank you in advance for your help and donations!

Character Trait for October: *Courage*

Have you ever been nervous or scared of something, but you did it anyway? Well then you've shown courage! There are many ways to show courage. Sharing your answer or ideas in front of the class, going up to someone new and asking if you can play, and trying something new even though it looks really difficult are just a couple of examples. Even though you might be scared at first, you feel proud after showing courage and overcoming your fears! Courageous moments happen every day at Sycamore Creek- what are some of the ways you show courage?

Picture Retakes

Wednesday, October 7th
9:10 AM – 5th grade
Retakes and Absentees Only