

Reading, Spelling & Writing

Reading & Writing will be integrated into all content areas.

⊙ *Houghton Mifflin Reading* @ 2005



⊙ *Independent Reading*

Students are expected to read each night for at least 30 min. Reading Logs are due Thursdays.

∞ Novel and Author Studies

∞ Book Reports

⊙ *Houghton Mifflin Reading-Writing Workshop* @ 2005

Focuses on the individual steps of the writing process as we incorporate the 6 Traits:

Voice, Conventions, Ideas & Content, Organization, Word Choice, and Sentence Fluency.

Mountain Language or Comic

Grammar: Daily Grammar review programs

Research/Report Writing

∞ Colonial, Animal, and Biography Reports

SPELLING

⊙ *Words Their Way*

∞ **Contracts** - students receive a new list each Friday, contracts are due Thursday mornings.

∞ **Spelling test** - Thursday

MATH

⊙ *Everyday Math*

⊙ *Larson Math Computerized*

∞ Math homework will come home throughout the week and is expected to be returned the next day.

SCIENCE

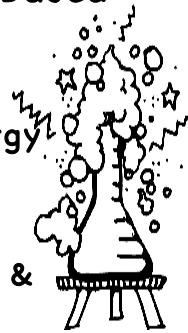
⊙ *Direct Inquiry-Based Science Kits:*

∞ Exploring Energy

∞ Ecosystems

∞ Variables

∞ Investigations & Applications



SOCIAL STUDIES

∞ Mapping & Geography

∞ **American History:** Colonization, American Revolution, Westward Expansion & Civil War (1776-1900)

Health

⊙ *The Great Body Shop* Curriculum taught by Ms. Potter

∞ Human Growth & Development

- Parents have the opportunity to preview these lessons prior to them being taught.

Homework

∞ **Late Work:** Students are expected to turn in work on time. Rewards will be earned through consistent demonstration of proper responsibility. Students will have an "Oops" Card each quarter.

∞ Late work will be penalized.

Absences

If your student is absent please make arrangements to collect the work for the day(s). At this age, we are moving quickly and missing can cause stress for the student. **Students are responsible for all work missed during an absence.** Please refer to the ASD calendar when making vacation plans.

Communication

Students will be expected to share their grades with parents online, weekly. A "Communicator" envelope will go home on Friday with graded assignments &/or school information. This will need to be signed and returned Monday. Parent signatures indicate that grades have been checked and work/items reviewed. It is also a great place for questions or comments. We believe communication is an important part in your child's education. Phone 742-5500 or (the best way to contact us) is email

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Behavior

Students that demonstrate self-control, positive behaviors, random acts of kindness, and get their work in on time are rewarded with positive comments, money in their checkbooks, independence, Fun Friday, and periodic celebrations!

Students who CHOOSE to make poor decisions or have missing work:

- ∞ Will get a warning. If the behavior continues, they will be sent to a buddy room with their work. If necessary the final step will be an office referral.
- ∞ Each Friday if your child has missing work I will send home a missing work report and make a note on their planner. Please take the opportunity to discuss this with your child.

Binder Expectations

- ∞ We will do periodic checks to make sure that your child's binder is neat and organized. Your child will be required to have these things in his/her binder at all times:

- 1.) Daily Planner
- 3.) Lined paper
- 4.) Tabs and/or folders w/required elements
- 5.) Resource Materials
- 7.) Homework Folder

Specials:

Mrs. Oliver & Mrs. Rand - Library
Mr. Meier & Ms. Gallagher - P.E.
Mrs. Bender - Music
Mrs. Wilkinson - Art
Mrs. Potter - Health

We are delighted to have this opportunity to work with you and your child! Our expectations for your child in both the academic and social areas are high. We believe that it can only be achieved through a partnership between us, the parents and the child. We each have a role towards the student's success. It is our intention to support your child to enable him/her to work to his/her fullest potential. It is your child's responsibility to come to school ready to learn, participate, and to be totally involved in his/her education. Please help us with open communication and participation. We will facilitate the best program possible to encourage success within your child. We look forward to a wonderful year!

*Mrs. Valerie Johnson,
Mrs. Carleen Ulbrich*

Important Online

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Open House
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5th Grade