



# Fifth Grade News

Nov. 2009



- Thank you to all parents who made time to attend parent teacher conferences on Oct. 27 and Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Reminder Field Trip to State Park on Nov. 13 to study Ecology. Please turn in Permission Slip. Don't forget to send in your \$5 for fifth grade activities if you have not already done so.
- **First 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Fundraiser: Nov. 19 Cotton Candy Sale. Let us know if you can volunteer, we will be making the cotton candy afterschool to pass out on Fri., Nov. 20.**
- The Financial Edge Credit Union is up and running at Washington. Fifth grade students who were chosen through an application and interview process are being trained to be bank tellers. Feel free to open an account for your son or daughter.
- If you lose your permission slip for field trips you may go on the Washington Elementary website to print out another copy to fill out. For safety reasons all students need to turn in a new field trip permission slip for every field trip. Also on the website you can find each month a copy of our 5<sup>th</sup> grade newsletter filled with important information.
- If you have access to the internet, there is valuable information on the district website. ([www.bcschools.net](http://www.bcschools.net)) By going to Inside our District tab, Department tab, Technology Department, Moodle tab, and finally technology courses. Click on Professional Development Nov. 2. For example, One will be able to click on the SVSU math website. There are various games and programs for your students to practice math skills. There are also other websites for students to practice educational activities.
- Reminder there is **no school on Nov. 26, 27, and 28<sup>th</sup>** for Thanksgiving Break.

### Math:

Students are working angles in math. Every night your student should be bringing home their math journal to show you what we are doing in class. They also have math homework every day. Please check their planner and journal to make sure it is complete. The only way to get better at math is too PRACTICE.

### Science:

Currently we are studying relationships between the Earth, Sun, and Moon. If any student received an "E" in science it is because they did not turn in a science folder. They need to stay in at lunch to complete and turn in their folder.

### Social Studies:

Students are working on their Native American report. The grading rubric is as follows: 5 pts cover, 5 pts order, 5 pts neatness, 5 pts bibliography, 5 pts  $\frac{1}{2}$  page each section, 15 pts clarity, 10 pts details, 10 pts good use of class time= 50 point project. All students were given the expectations and outline for the report in class.

### ELA:

Mr. Hemingway's room is reading the novel Sign of the Beaver, Mr. Kraut's room is reading the novel Where the Red Fern Grows, and Mrs. Kraut's room is reading Hatchet. Ask your student how they are similar and/or different to the main character of their novel.

Thanks—Mrs. Kraut, Mr. Kraut, Mr. Hemingway, and Mrs. Bragiel  
If you have any questions, please email; send a note in your child's planner, or call.




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Please cut on the line and return the bottom portion to your child's teacher. Thank you!  
I have read the above newsletter and I am aware of what is going on in Fifth Grade.

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