



BACK TO SCHOOL!



White Oak
Newnan, GA

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Fifth Grade News

Mrs. Barker

Reading - The week of Oct. 22, we will begin reading the novel Soup & Me. We will read one chapter each day and answer comprehension questions. At the end of the novel, we will have a written test. Our culminating activity will be to form small groups and complete an art and writing assignment (mural) for a hall display. Please ask your child about the story nightly to re-enforce their retention of details.

Science - The week of Oct. 15, we are beginning our study of Electricity and Magnetism. Since we do not have any information in our textbook on these subjects, it is imperative that your child listen and participate in class. All learning will come from handouts, discussion, hands-on activities and videos. A notebook grade and test will be the culminating activities for assessment.



Mrs. Arnold

Please continue to check and initial Classroom News letter weekly.

Ms. Hill

Reading - Our new novel is "Who Comes With Cannons". It is an exciting story about a Quaker family living in North Carolina during the Civil War. The story cleverly weaves historical facts into the life of a young girl, Truth Hopkins, who has had to move south to live with her extended family. The story relays battles, events, people and the Underground Railroad in an intriguing storyline.

Spelling - Our Spelling Units come from new vocabulary in our novel.

Language Arts - We are working on writing. This month students will do a "How To" project for 4H. This will count as a grade in Language Arts and Science.

Math - We are now studying Chapter 6 : Multiplication. It is critical that your child know their multiplication facts. Everything we do in Math from this point on relies on that skill. Practice with them daily.

Social Studies - Our unit is on the Civil War. We start with the Causes of the Civil War, followed by a chapter on battles, life on the home front and reconstruction .

Ms. Joiner

November's novels will be *Who Comes with Cannons*, about the Underground Railroad, and *Mr. Tucket*, a novel about a boy in the west. Both of these novels tie in to their Social Studies curriculum.

In Language we will be working on "How-To" reports. These will be for their November book report as well as their 4-H project for December. They will receive both a Science grade and a Reading grade for this. A large part of this will be done at school, but some will be done at home. More directions will be given in class.

In Science, we have begun our study on Matter. They need to take home their Science notebook nightly to help them go over concepts taught that day.

Ms. Hardin

READING/LANGUAGE ARTS: We are reading the book House of Dies Drear in reading and working on narrative writing.

MATH: We are studying multiplying and dividing with decimals.

SOCIAL STUDIES: We will finish up our social studies unit on the Civil War before Thanksgiving break and complete in class projects on topics related to the Civil War.

Reminders to Students

- Complete homework and turn it in on time.
- Fill out agenda and get it signed by your parents daily.



Reminders to Parents

1. Sign agendas daily.
 2. All 5th grade teachers have websites. Please check them periodically for updates.
- Thank you so much for your support.

Important Dates

November 9th – Field trip to GYSTC

November 9-15th- Book Fair

November 19-23rd – Thanksgiving Break

December 18th – Affidavit of Residence Due
Bake Sale News!!!

Thanks again for your support on this month's bake sale. We raised \$500 this month. Next bake sale is the **29th of November**.

4-H How –To- Project will be presented in class on the first Monday in December (some classes may vary). Your child should bring home directions after the November meeting. Any questions, please ask your child's homeroom teacher.

Yearbooks

5th Memory Pages are due December 1, 2007. The information has been sent home. If you need another copy please email kelleysorenson@hotmail.com or call 404-597-6275.

Yearbooks on sale for \$25.00.
Deadline: 12/1/07

Volunteers Needed

School Store Volunteers Needed

The PTO is looking a few volunteers to work the school store. It is open 30 minutes 3 days a week, 7:30-8:00. If you can help please e-mail sfincher@numail.org. Thanks!