



5th Grade Family Newsletter

Mission: Elk Meadows Falcons are growing to be resilient, lifelong learners.

Character Trait: I can show personal responsibility.

Date: October 2, 2023

Grade-Level Events

- Parent/Teacher conferences are happening this week on Wednesday (Oct. 4th) and Thursday (October 5th).
- October 23rd-27th is Fall Break.
- **Reminder:** Please make sure that cell phones and watches are silenced. And please don't text or call your 5th grader on their device during the day. All home communication needs to come through the office.

Math

Focus: In this unit we will be able to:

- Explain patterns in the number of zeros when multiplying by the powers of 10
- Use whole number exponents
- Multiply decimals to hundredths
- Solve problems involving multiplication with whole numbers and decimals.
- Use parentheses, brackets, or braces in numerical expressions, and evaluate expressions.

Language Arts

Focus: I can compare and contrast stories in the same genre and I can compare several texts on the same subject and write or speak about the the subject knowledgeably.

Example: I can compare and contrast two different versions of Cinderella or another story.

Look for examples of different ways you can compare and contrast events that happened in a story, movie or several stories.

Go here for a list of books your student may be reading in class this year.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/12bYvmd-ppLBSollr6-CXa_CxO2vQwHqAjf582LgcbJI/edit

Science

In science we teach the following units.

- Rocks, soils, and landforms
- Mixtures and solutions
- Living systems

Did You Know?

Density and concentration are related. If a solution is more concentrated then it will have a greater density.

A solution is made when a solute (like drink mix) is dissolved in a solvent (like water). Mixtures are made when we mix 2 or more things together. We find mixtures all over our house. Cereal and milk, or trail mix make yummy mixtures.

Social Studies

Focus:

- I can identify each state and capital city in the United States.
- I can describe how the US Constitution has been amended and interpreted over time and the impact the amendments have had on the rights and responsibilities of citizens of the United States

Family Connection/Additional Information

- Wear your Falcon shirt on Fridays to show your school spirit.
- Halloween is Tuesday, October 31! This is our second day back from Fall Break. Please come dressed in your costume. The school wide parade will take place at 9:30, with parents staying outside to watch. Class parties will start around 10:30. Parents are not allowed inside the building until after every student has made it back to class. Thanks for your help and understanding.