



# 5th Grade Family Newsletter

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

**Golden Gate: I will smile at others.**

**Date: October 4, 2021**

## Grade-Level Events

- End of the Quarter is Friday, October 15th. Make sure all of your work is turned in. You will be able to see your child's Progress Report on Skyward after Fall Break. Our District Science Specialists will be visiting each 5th grade classroom over the next two weeks and will be doing hands on Science projects with each class.

## Math

Focus: I can add and subtract decimals to the thousandths. I can also round numbers to the nearest thousandth.

An example of this, would be round 123.46 to the nearest tenth. We look to the place to the right. The 6 tells us to round up, so our answer would be 123.5.

Video of help to understand Rounding Decimals is called: **Math Antics Rounding** or [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fd-E18Eq\\$Vk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fd-E18Eq$Vk)

## Language Arts

Focus: I can quote accurately from a text when I am explaining what it says and support **inferences** that I have made.

Example: Finding an inference is similar to being a detective. Readers will look for clues in what the characters say or do. It is important to take the clues from the text and use our background knowledge to figure out what is being implied.

Look for clues at home while watching media, movies or conversations when you make inferences. Be a detective!

## Science

In science we teach the following units.

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

### Did You Know?

There are three states of matter (solid, liquid, and gas). Water can take the form of all three states of matter.

## Social Studies

Focus: Ancient Cultures that lead to exploration and settlement of the Americas.

Example: Mayan, Inca, and Aztecs were overtaken by Spanish conquistadors.

Focus- Students will understand how the exploration and colonization of North America transformed human history.

Example-Using maps - including pre-1492 maps - and other geographic tools, locate and analyze the routes used by the explorers.

## Family Connection/Additional Information

- Wear your Falcon shirt on Fridays to show your school spirit.
- Please join your individual class's communication app (Remind or Bloomz).
- Remember Fall Recess is October 18-22.
- Reflection Entries are due on Friday, October 15th.