



# 5th Grade Family Newsletter

**Mission:** Elk Meadows Falcons are growing to be resilient, lifelong learners.  
**Golden Gate:** I can take turns and compromise.  
**Date:** March 3, 2025

## Grade-Level Events

- No school March 14 (Thursday will be a full day.)
- Grade Transmittal Day is Monday, March 31, with Spring Break being April 1-4.

### Math

Focus: I can convert units of measurement for length, liquid volume, and weight. I can learn that the volume of a rectangular prism is length x width x height.

We work with metric units and customary units.

Here are some simple videos you could review with your child.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yp-v4zjPaig>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BAa0N9vvD0s>

### Language Arts

Focus: I can write to share my opinion and provide reasons that support my opinion. I can write to inform or explain topics or ideas to others clearly.

We are honing our writing skills as we prepare to take our end of the year tests. We are focusing on writing 5 paragraph essays, including a good introduction and conclusion. Each essay also needs 3 good body paragraphs with concrete details and reasons.

### Science

In science we teach the following units.

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

#### Did You Know?

The digestive system breaks complex food sources into nutrients.

If you stretched out your small intestine it may be up to 6 meters (about 18-20 feet) long.

### Social Studies

Focus: I can assess the geographic, cultural, political, and economic divisions between regions that contributed to the civil war.

Example: Describe the impact of physical geography on the cultures of the northern and southern regions (industrial resources, agriculture, and climate).

Example: Compare how cultural and economic differences of the north and south led to tension.

## Family Connection/Additional Information

- Talk to your child about DARE and what they are learning.