



5th Grade Family Newsletter

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

Golden Gate: I will smile at others.

Date: April 4, 2022

Grade-Level Events

- Spring Tea is on Friday, April 8. Please dress up, with girls in skirts, dresses, or nice pants, with boys in nice pants and a button up shirt.
- Spring Recess is Friday, April 15 through Friday, April 22.
- Friday, April 29 is no longer a Flex Friday, but is now a teacher development day, so no school for students on that day.

Math

Focus: I can recognize a quadrilateral and describe the qualities of different triangles.

Quadrilaterals video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OWBjrJFZV4w>

Classifying Triangles:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mLeNaZcy-hE>

This is our final unit of the year. We will spend some time reviewing all of the math concepts that we have learned this year, as well as working more with word problems.

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?

- All solutions are mixtures, but not all mixtures are solutions.
- We find all kinds of mixtures in the world around us, from trail mix and our cereal for breakfast, to household cleaners and the air we breathe.
- When a solution is more concentrated, it has a greater mass and density.

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

- Wear your Falcon shirt on Fridays to show your school spirit.
- One of the purposes of Spring Tea is to practice good manners and polite conversation. We are focusing on holding the door for others, using polite words like please and thank you, taking turns, and not talking with our mouths full.