

# 5th Grade News



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## In the Classroom...

**MATH:** Please check over your child's math assignments each night.

**LITERACY:** Students will complete a performance task based on skills they have learned in Unit Three. We will be guiding them through answering questions using text details to support their response. There will not be a spelling test this week.

**WRITING:** We will review the features of a persuasive essay this week. Students will then continue drafting their persuasive essay about whether a cat or dog makes the best pet. Students are expected to have their rough draft finished on Wednesday and will be bringing it home to be edited.

**SCIENCE:** This week students will be putting together their science fair presentation with their team by either creating a Google Presentation or a Science Board. Students will also write a conclusion based on their data and results.

**SOCIAL STUDIES:** This week we will continue the Colonization and Settlement Unit. Students will learn how a town meeting worked in colonial times through a simulation. Each student will be responsible to act as a member of the town to vote on whether or not their community should build a new school. We will also read Molly Bannaky and discuss various perspectives on life in the colonies. Students will receive a review sheet on Friday for this unit. The test will be next week.

## IMPORTANT NEWS

- ★ **SPELLING...** Students will not have a spelling test this week.
- ★ **PERSUASIVE ESSAY ROUGH DRAFT...** Students have been working on writing a persuasive essay in class. On Wednesday, students are expected to have this completed. They will need to have an adult proofread and edit their paper by Monday, February 29. Please watch for this to come home to be edited. Students will make the revisions in class on Monday, February 29. Thank you for helping them edit their writing!
- ★ **SPELLING BEE...** Our school-wide spelling bee will take place in the music room on **Tuesday, February 23rd at 6:30**. We would like to congratulate the fifth graders that will be participating this year. After a class spelling bee the following students will be representing fifth grade: Dominic, Cassie, Matthew R., Rachel, Kennedy, and Tim. The runner-ups are Owen and Tyler. Way to go spelling bee finalists!
- ★ **SCIENCE FAIR ...** This week students will work with their team in class to complete the presentation portion of their project. We are asking students that are available to attend the science fair evening at the school to share their project with others. **The Chatfield Science Fair is Thursday, March 3 at 6**. We hope to see you there! If your child can attend please let a 5th grade teacher know. Thank you for your support!
- ★ **SAVE THE DATE...** On Thursday, March 10 at 6:30 there will an open house for current students entering Middle School next fall. At the open house families can meet staff and learn valuable information about programs of study for your child. We hope you can attend!
- ★ **TALENT SHOW CHANGES...** The Chatfield's Got Talent Show will be at the Pix Theater on Thursday, March 24 for all students. This is a change because it was previously two nights. The rehearsal is Wednesday, March 23.

## Our Suncrest Visit

Suncrest was awesome! We played Bingo there and it was really good. The people there were having fun and I did too. This is why Suncrest is fantastic. ~Tyler

Today, I went to Suncrest and I had a great time. I went with Taygen and Cameron. When we got there, the elderly were taking pictures with things. Like for example, I took a picture using a fake mustache and hat. With fake maracas. So I was basically a mariachi. Cameron was a cowgirl. With a pink mustache and a pink cowgirl hat with a pink feather boa. Taygen had a thought bubble with exclamation marks in it. And she had a feather boa as well. After "dress up" we made valentines with a daycare group called the Tinytots. I gave the valentines I made to the people next to me. They loved it. Then a little kid came up to me and gave me a valentine! It was so sweet. I had a fun time at Suncrest. I'm so sad that this was my last visit. ~Rachel

At Suncrest, I played BINGO and we won 1 time and almost won the cover all but, we had to get 2 more slots. I had a fun time at Suncrest. ~Jackson

Rachel, Cameron, and I went to Suncrest on February 12. First, we helped the residents get dressed up and take a Valentines day photo. Than we got to take a photo and get dressed up. A little later the preschoolers came and we all helped the residents make Valentine's Day cards. I worked with Gloria and she was really nice. I love going to Suncrest and I can not wait to go again! ~Taygen

I went to Suncrest to help some elderly people. First, we tried on costumes like masks, props, and other stuff. Then we made little cards for them with stickers and crayons. We also decorated it with markers. I had a lot of fun at Suncrest! ~Cameron

I went to Suncrest and played Bingo with the residents. My partner and I got two Bingo's. When we were playing, she put all of the tabs up! Then Ms. Lynch had to get it caught up for us. ~Lucas G.

## Upcoming Open Houses

Chatfield will be hosting a community tour for our K-8 program on **February 24 and March 22 at 6:30 PM**. There is also an open house on **March 10** for families interested in enrolling in middle school and for current Chatfield students. We are encouraging you to invite others that may be interested in having their children attend Chatfield to join us. We also hope to see you as well!