

# What's going on in 5th Grade

## News from ILA

This quarter in ILA, Ms. Jacobsen's and Mrs. Robey's classes worked on identifying the elements of fiction. We read several picture books to find the problem, rising action, climax, falling action, resolution, setting, and theme. We will continue to work on identifying the elements so that we can synthesize and summarize fictional text.

In writing, we worked on writing personal narratives that zoom in on one topic and describe the event with descriptive details.

Mrs. Daise's and Mrs. Beachy's class have been working with nonfiction. They have been studying text features and primary and secondary sources. Next week they will begin plot structure and character traits. We have just finished our first personal narrative and next week will begin writing to persuade.

## Social Studies and Science

**Science:** Students are investigating the geological features of the earth and how they change over time. Students are examining rocks, fossils, earth surface and the amount of water on earth. Throughout the year we will be evaluating the environment at Winfield and making it a better place.

**Social Studies:** Students are studying Colonial America. They are discovering how Native American and Colonial societies changed throughout times and other key historical events.

## Math News

This quarter we have been working on place value including decimals. We are currently working on adding and subtracting decimals as well. As in every cluster we will be working on BCR's and perimeter. Please have your child practice their math facts. We have regrouped students for math and have sent home a paper indicating your child's math teacher.

## For your information..

### Upcoming 5<sup>th</sup> grade events:

No school- October 16<sup>th</sup>

Red Ribbon Week- October 19-23

Early Dismissal/End of Marking Period- October 29<sup>th</sup>

First 5<sup>th</sup> grade flea market will be at the end of the month (be watching for more information about this)

Early Dismissal- November 9<sup>th</sup>

Native American Program- November 10<sup>th</sup>