

THE LAST Fourth Grade Post of 2017- 2018



Reminders!

- Our **last field trip** will be **on Tuesday, June 5th from 8:30-3:00**. We will be taking a bus to the California State Capitol Museum in Sacramento.
- **Spring fever has arrived!** We really need to work together to make sure all students are in uniform, at school on time, and with homework complete. This will help our students have a common focus to end the school year. Thank you for helping us support these important routines.
- **Crossing the Bridge** starts at **10:00 am on Friday, June 8th**. Make sure to bring blankets to sit on and enjoy the fun celebrations (take your selfies!) on the field after the ceremony!
- **Dear Parents,**

We wanted to thank you all for your help and support this year! We have loved working with your children and helping them grow into such amazing, independent learners. Enjoy your summer and we will see you (AS 5th GRADERS) in August!

-Ms. Carrade, Mrs. Schmidt, and Ms. Thompson

Homework

Homework will continue as only a reading log/discussion questions for the last week of school, unless a student has not finished a final project.

ELA

We are planning and writing the rough drafts for our myths! The myths will have a story arc, protagonist/antagonist, theme, allusion, and an explanation for why something happens in the world (seasons, day and night, etc). We will be sharing our myths with the class on Wednesday or Thursday.

Math

Because we have learned all the 4th Grade units, we have been working to create math game boards to play. They will include special pathways, lose-turn spots, dice, as well as 4th grade math problems! This week we got a chance to start playing the games, and it has been awesome to see the students use their math strategies and knowledge to play such creative games!

Social Studies

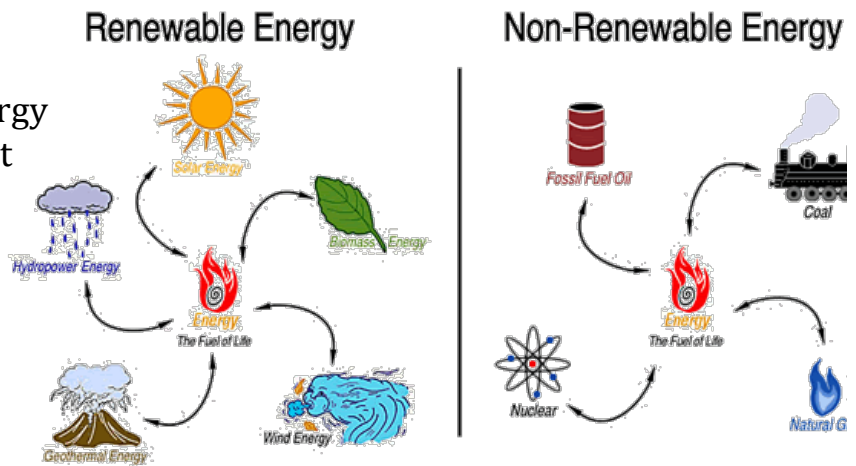
We have finished our last unit by studying the branches of government across the different levels (local, state, and federal). Then we dove deeper into state government in preparation for our trip to the State Capitol Building on Tuesday! Next week, we will study the different symbols of California and create our own State Seal.

Science

Students are exploring this driving question:

As engineers, how can we show how prove when energy is used, it is not lost but converts from one form to another?

Our final component of our Energy Unit: presentations (PowerPoint slides) on different natural resources, including creating a quiz (survey Monkey style) for their friends to complete when they conclude their presentations.



This week we completed our slideshows. On Monday, we will present and quiz our friends!

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