








5th Grade Updates

April 26, 2019

Exciting Events	Willow Creek Community
<p>April 30-May 17: CAASPP testing (see notes)</p> <p>May 1: Environmental Youth Forum Film Festival: buses, no drivers needed!</p> <p>May 8th: Grades 1-5 ART SHOW in the, 6:30 pm Library</p> <p>May 17th: Spring Music Extravaganza, 1:30 PM in the MPR</p> <p>May 21-24 Outdoor School!</p> <p>May 27: Memorial Day: No school!</p> <p>May 30: Open House, 6pm in classrooms</p>	<p><u>We had a great field trip to the Academy of Science.</u> Thank you to the many drivers/chaperones who stepped up!</p> <p><u>Drivers for Outdoor school:</u> We still need lots of drivers: Please consider driving students down or picking up, going down you get to see where the students will be, and coming back, you get to listen to all the news and happenings from Outdoor School!</p> <p><u>CAASPP NOTES:</u> *We'll be testing in the mornings. Here's how parents can help your students be ready ---- Think about their Bodies and their Minds:</p> <p><u>Body Readiness can include:</u> * Good Nutrition, *physical exercise, *sleep, *comfortable clothing (layers)</p> <p><u>Mind Readiness can include:</u> Confidence builders, positive attitude toward taking the tests, supporting a growth mindset message.</p> <p>Please see the attached note (we emailed it, too), about how we will make the CAASPP as good as it can be.</p>

Exploring New Horizons: Our Outdoor School (near Pescadero, CA) came to share all the information you need to know, and answer all the questions you have. Packing lists, information, slideshow are all liked in an email from Ms St. Denny. If your student still has questions, here is their website: [Exploring New Horizons](#)

<p>Slideshow:</p>   <p>ENH Loma Mar Parent Slideshow</p>	<p>Parent Letter:</p>  <p>Loma Mar Parent Letter</p>
 <p>Loma Mar Packing List</p>	 <p>Loma Mar Packing List-Spanish</p>

Curriculum Corner

Math

This week, we reviewed much of what math we worked on this year. Please let us know whether your student needs a little extra support (but maybe isn't asking for it) with some strategies and skills to *crush* this math CAASPP!

Science

This week we had a great field trip to the Planetarium at the Academy of Sciences. Thank you to everyone who drove!

Reader's Workshop

We started a Reader's Workshop unit which will support our learning in Social Studies through the remainder of the year. We are working on tackling text complexity in non-fiction writing. This week, we looked at how headers can sometimes be misleading or incomplete, and also we reviewed basic informational and non-fiction text structures. This will help students, as they read, understand what they are reading.

ELA/Social Studies - Unit 4: Westward Migration

As we roll into the end of the year, we are studying how the United States grew in the years after the Revolution, and what that might have meant for people new to the country, and what it meant for the people who were already here. We are studying diverse groups of people, transportation, and geography to lay the foundation for understanding impact of US expansion.

References

LINK TO HOMEWORK AGENDA: [Homework Calendar](#)

Math:

Website: www.pearsonrealize.com

Login: Willow Creek email: [firstinitiallastname@stu.willowcreekacademy.org](mailto:firstname.lastname@stu.willowcreekacademy.org)

Example: jdoe@stu.willowcreekacademy.org

Password: Wca31 _ _ _ (followed by their student number) **Ex:** Wca31000

Website: [Dreambox](#)

Login: <https://play.dreambox.com/login/z7a8/willowca>

Username: (firstinitial)(lastname) **Example:** jschmidt

Password: Wca31 _ _ _ (followed by their student number) **Ex:** Wca31000

Science:

Website: [Mystery Science](#) Look at any or all of the videos and lessons to review!

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CAASPP May 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
None	4/30 8:45-12:00 Math	5/1 8:45-10:00 Math Then, FIELD TRIP	5/2 8:45-10:00 Math	5/3 8:45-10:00 Math
5/4 8:45-12:00 ELA	5/7 8:45-12:00 ELA	5/8 8:45-12:00 ELA	5/9 8:45-10:00 ELA	5/10 8:45-10:00 ELA
5/13 8:45-12:00 Science	5/14 8:45-12:00 Science	5/15 8:45-12:00 Science	5/16 8:45-10:00 Makeups 1-3 Music Rehearsal	5/17 8:45-10:00 Makeups 1:30 Music Extravaganza

5th Grade Specials:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
None	2:20-3:00 P.E.	8:35-9:00 Library (every other week) 1:10-2:00 Music (St. Denny) Art (Schmidt)	10:20-11:10 Music (Schmidt) Art (St. Denny)	10:20-11:00 P.E.