



5th Grade Updates

December 15th, 2017

Exciting Events	Willow Creek Community
<p>Dec. 22nd: 5th grade holiday party and Secret Santa Gift Exchange. 11-12:30 in Mrs. St. Denny's room</p> <p>Dec. 23-Jan. 7: Winter Break</p>	<p>MAP TESTING: The 5th grade completed the 3 MAP tests over the past 2 weeks. We're looking forward to seeing student progress.</p>  <p>If you've already donated to the SMART campaign...THANK YOU! We rely on your contribution to fund classroom supplies, classroom field trips, the art program, music, reading and language, computers and new this year...the 5th grade week-long overnight and the Middle School Outward Bound program. So, please donate if you haven't already... www.WillowCreekAcademy.org/donate Every dollar makes a difference!</p>

Curriculum Corner

MATH

This week we finished Unit 3 on fractions. It's been our longest math unit thus far and covered a lot of ground in the world of fractions. We saw a great deal of learning and improved awareness of how fractions operate. Despite this typically being a tough unit, many students really seemed to enjoy fractions. Maybe it was all the games we played?

ELA/SOCIAL STUDIES

We've begun our Colonial America unit. This week we began exploring the very first colonies, particularly Jamestown and Plymouth. We also compared the different colonial regions in terms of geography, economy, religion, and other factors. Then students wrote a short piece about which colony they would have preferred to live in if they were around back then. Next week we'll be touching on issues of slavery, religion, and trade. We'll also begin our colonial literature groups.



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Science

We started our new science round this week, swapping classes. Ms. St Denny's class will be learning about Astronomy, while Mr. Baker's class takes on Chemistry.

References

[Homework Calendar Link](#)

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5th Grade Specials:

Tuesday: 2:20-3:00 P.E.

Wednesday: 1:10-2:00 Music (St. Denny), Art (Baker)

Thursday: 9:10-10:00 Music (Baker), Art (St. Denny)

Friday : 9:20-10:00 P.E.