Mrs. Tritch’s Classroom



Newsletter #24

March 31 – April 4 2014

**Homework:**

**Writing Prompts: ½ page each day to be written in writer’s notebook section of literacy notebook.**

**Monday-** We have one more quarter of the school year! What are three goals you have to make the most of the last quarter of your fifth grade year? Describe the goals in detail.

**Tuesday-** We have another Science Day on Friday that will focus on liquids, solids, and gases. Since you already experienced one Science Day, what changes would you make? What did you like from the previous one?

**Wednesday-**  Free Choice!

**Thursday-** Use the following line to start your story: “I woke up and looked all around me….it was clear that I had entered the scene of my favorite movie!”

**Vocabulary Words:**

**1.** main idea

**2.** summarize

**3.** details

**4.** support

**Vocab Test on Friday!**

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**Upcoming events/ news:**

March 28- First Day of Quarter 4

April 1- 7:45 AM- Parent Graduation Meeting

April 4 – Spring Picture Day and Class Photo

– Science Day!

* Report Cards sent home

April 5 – 5th Grade Science Academy (9:00-12:00)

April 8 &10 – Human Growth and Development Class

April 11-20 – Spring Break

**Homework:**

**Reading-** 30 minutes each night.

This week, focus on the following strategies:

1. Comparing and contrasting characters, setting, and/or events
2. Finding the main idea and details
3. Using context clues to understanding unknown words or phrases.

**What we are working on:**

*Literacy-* Students finished up many great projects from last quarter. We are breaking down the fourth quarter and reviewing large concepts each week. This week we are reviewing main idea and summarizing. Students will start new book clubs this week. **Vocab test Friday.**

*Math-* We are starting our new unit- Algebra! Students will review PEMAS (order of operations this week).

*Science-* We are starting matter this week and will enjoy another great Science Day on Friday! We will focus on liquids, solids, and gases.

