For the week ending April 24th, 2015

SCHEDULE CHANGE 4/20-4/29: LUNCH 12:20-12:50 #5

SPECIALS 1:00-1:45 Normal Schedule resumes on 4/30/15.

Social Studies

Geography, Economics (trade, barter, opportunity cost, specialization, voluntary exchange, productivity, & price incentives) Native Americans, Explorers, 13 colonies, Causes of the war, American Revolution, Government, Westward Expansion & the **Industrial Revolution, Reform Movement** (Elizabeth Cady Stanton - suffrage women's rights in Seneca Falls, NY-Declaration of Rights & Sentiments; Sojourner Truth- slave- traveled-famous speech- Akron, OH "Ain't I a Woman"; delivered to the Ohio Women's Rights Convention, speeches religion-Godabolitionist & suffrage; Harriet Tubmanan abolitionist (against slavery), a conductor, & mosses of the underground railroad) Character traits of key historic figures- honesty, patriotism, courage, & trustworthiness, & Personal Finances (budget, income, expenses, saving, giving, fixed expenses, variable expenses, & the importance of saving money 4/30 Last Day for lunch charges 5/1 Field Day – Watch for an email! 5/7 Textbook turn in 5/10 ALL Library Books are due 5/15 Spring Party 1:00-2:00 PM 5/21 LAST DAY of School – School Picnic 11:45-12:15 - Limbo to 5th grade - Check out to begin your summer early. 5/21 No Book Bags at school! Your child will only bring home their report card envelope on this day.

Math

The students in my math class will be taking the Measurement TEST after the GA Milestones. We will do some hands-on activities after testing. This is a very hard unit as its converting units of measurement in metric & customary. The next assessment will be in May. We will continue to prepare for 5th grade. We will learn how to multiply & divide using the algorithm. Also, we will continue to learn our basic math facts along with other concepts that we struggled with this year.

RACE is a strategy, I learned from the Dacula Middle School. I've used this strategy in class for 3-4 years now. It works in math 4 in writing. We will work on writing in 3rd person instead of 1st

R-Restate the question

A-Answer the question

C- Cite with evidence using quotation marks or paraphrasing in their own words.

E- Explain with examples

The Student Council members have assembled Relay for Life donation envelopes that are in your boxes. Please plan to send them home in Friday folders this week. Extra feet are in the mailroom in case a parent requests more or in case you would like to donate in honor of someone. You can put all donations and feet in my mailbox and Student Council members will display them in the cafeteria. The collections will end on the day of our Walk-a-thon, May 8th. Thank you! Mrs. Long

May $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$, is the annual $\mathbf{4}^{\text{th}}$ grade field day. It's 9-12. Those of you who choose to stay will eat lunch in the classroom after field day with me. You may bring a towel to sit on, & a hat. Don't forget to wear your field day shirt & tennis shoes.

GA Milestones will begin on April 20th. Please make sure vour child is at school on time (8:15 AM) for all 8 days (April 20th-29th). They will have to make it up if they are tardy or miss school. This state assessment is longer & more challenging than the **CRCT.** Please make sure vour child eats a healthy dinner & breakfast (brain foods) and gets plenty of rest nightly. Research has proven that elementary students needs 10-12 hrs. of rest nightly. It will be difficult getting them back in routine with only 5 days after spring break. I'm proud of their hard work! They will do **GREAT!**

The state of GA DOE website with information about the assessment & the answer key to the practices we completed in class this week.

http://www.gadoe.org/Curricul um-Instruction-and-Assessment/Assessment/Docu ments/GM%20Grade%204%2 0EOG%20Assessment%2 A great book to read at home to help with westward expansion is Streams to the River, River to the Sea a Novel of Sacajawea by Scott O'Dell 0Guide%202.pdf

Social Studies

Testing Day 5 on April 29th **75 questions – 70 mins (2)**

The social studies assessment will be 75 selected responses similar to the CRCT. Remember they will be given higher level thinking multiple choice questions (DOK levels 2 & 3).

Government & Civics 20% Economics 15% (\$)

Opportunity cost, price incentives, specialization, voluntary exchange **Geography 15%**

Landforms, finding Boston, NY City, & Philadelphia on a map, & the locations of the 13 colonies

History 50% EVERYTHING THAT'S NOT ALREADY COVERED

Testing Day 4 on April 27 **75 questions – 70 mins (2)**

Science

The science assessment will be 75 selected responses similar to the CRCT. Remember they will be given higher level thinking multiple choice questions (DOK levels 2 & 3). Earth Science 40% -

matter, water cycle, weather, & solar system (planets, stars, seasons, moon, etc.)

Life Science 30% ecosystems, food chains, food webs, & adaptations & extinction Physical Science 30% light, sound, & force &

motion – simple machines

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Daily Lunch: 11:45-12:15

Upcoming Events

Return Friday folders on Monday. Please sign and return the passport (conduct/effort) report in the Friday folder.

5/21 will be our snow make up day. It will be the annual school picnic. Please mark your calendars.

DDAs, the county end of year assessments will be given in May along with SPGs. These will be given May 6th-May 14th.

Students check your grades weekly.

Mrs. Abraham is looking for field day help on 5/1 & on 5/4. Please email her if you are available to help on one or both of these dates. Thank you!

I am so proud of all the students. They have worked very hard this year. I have many fun dates planned in May. I need them to work hard

for four more weeks. Thank you for your Mulberry Flementary 442 E. Uni

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