



Chameleon/Mountaineer NEWS

Week of November 5th-9th



LME NEWS and Important Dates:

- **November 6-9:** Fall Book Fair
- **November 6:** Book Fair Parent Night - **Open until 7:30pm**
- **November 8:** PTA Spirit Night at Catfish Parlour
- **November 9, 2:00 pm:** Veterans Day Assembly
- **November 12:** TAG Referral Window Opens
- **November 16, 1:30- 2:30 pm:** G5 & G2 Thanksgiving Harvest Celebration
- **November 19-23:** Thanksgiving Holiday - No School
- **December 7:** TAG Referral Window Closes
- **December 7, 8:30-11:00 am:** G4 & G5 Enrichment Cluster Showcase
- **December 19:** Class Winter Parties (times vary)
- **December 20-January 7:** Winter Holiday, No School
- **January 17th:** Science Fair

Class Reminders

Thanksgiving: Harvest Celebration

- Grade 5 is putting on a play that explains the story of the American tradition of Thanksgiving as an example of harvest celebrations around the world. Please [sign up](#) and share some of your own family's heritage and cultural history by preparing a "harvest celebration" dish of your choosing that students can sample during the performance. This will give students a chance to sample various dishes and types of food. You are invited as an audience to the celebration, as well as our 2nd grade buddies.

Science Force Unit: Building Rockets!

- We have officially began our science unit on force and as a final project the students will be building and launching a rocket made from a **2-liter bottle**. The bottle must be exactly 2-liters (all must be the same size and able to fit onto the launcher) and empty. Please have your child write their name on the bottle and bring it into class ASAP, we can't start building/ launching until everyone has brought one in.

Math NEWS:

In math we have been covering multiplying fractions by whole numbers. Students should be able to do this in multiple ways, including drawing a visual representation and showing how to solve using a number line. This week we will review and practice the standard algorithm for multiplying/ dividing multi-digit numbers and will begin learning about dividing fractions by whole numbers.

Language Arts NEWS:

Last week we focused on Text Features and how the use of these features helps readers facilitate understanding. Students worked with a partner to complete a Text Feature Project that incorporated reading material about the thirteen colonies. Students had the choice to design a poster, create a Google document, or use Google slides to share their knowledge of different text features by providing examples from their text and by explaining the purpose of each feature.

This week we'll refer back to Text Features and focus on Text Structure. We'll create a timeline as we discuss Chronological Order and demonstrate understanding of Compare and Contrast as we learn more about the thirteen colonies. We'll be integrating Language Arts and Social Studies the next couple of weeks as 5th grade prepares for our story of the traditional American Thanksgiving and harvest celebration.

Students should read two NewsELA articles (and complete the quizzes) this week. Please remind your child to read carefully and to reread for clarification as needed.

Please check my website for up to date homework assignments, due dates and quiz information this week.

Science NEWS:

Our next unit is on force and we have Trevor Hance, the enrichment coordinator for LME coming in to do some fun lessons over the next couple of weeks. Our final project involves building/ launching a rocket made from a 2-liter bottle, which we are aiming to have completed before Thanksgiving break. In order to accomplish this on time, we need every student to bring in an empty bottle ASAP.

Social Studies NEWS:

Colonization (continued)- Students will be exploring the history of the United States and examine the causes and effects of the colonization of North America by Great Britain. Students will also learn more about a free enterprise system. Please see reading section above for more on Social Studies this week.



[Ms. Harris Leach's Website](#)



[Mrs. Klein's Website](#)