



Jackson Road Elementary School Fifth Grade - 2025

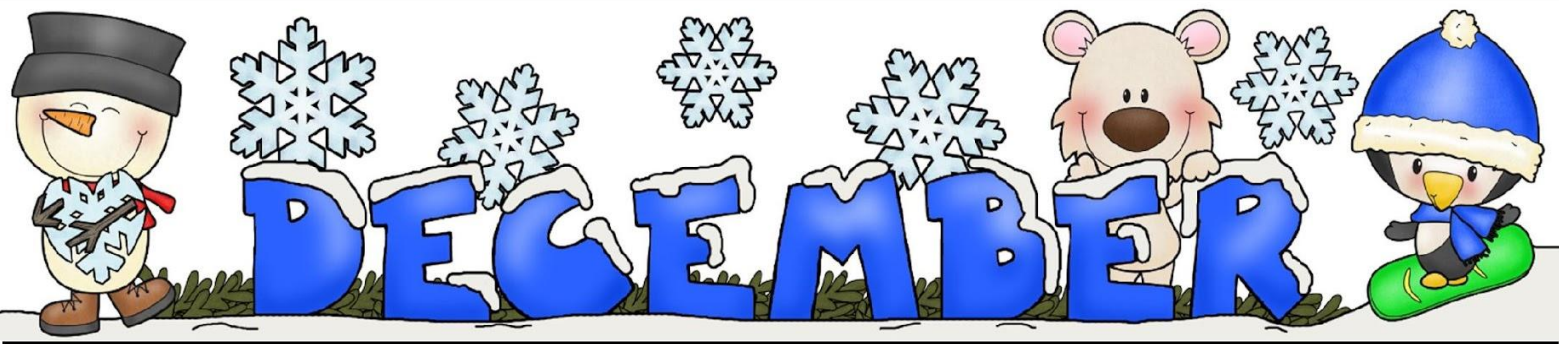
17th	Field Trip: Lathrop E. Smith Environmental Center Mr. Rodriguez & Ms. Hughes
18th	Field Trip: Lathrop E. Smith Environmental Center Mr. Flores & Ms. Thigpen-McCoy
23rd	Winter Festival Party In class - 2:30 pm
23rd - 31st	Holiday - No School Winter Break
January 1st - 4th	Holiday - No School Winter Break

Reminders:

- Please Sign and Return your child's **field trip permission** form.
- Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing for the **outdoor winter weather**.
- **Instrumental Music** continues with a slightly adjusted schedule; be sure your child knows their day to bring their instrument.
- Fifth graders who have signed up for **chorus** will attend every Friday during non-instructional time.
- Please donate sanitary items to your child's teacher!
(Tissues, hand sanitizer, wipes)

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What Are We Learning?

Math Students in grade level math have started Module 3. Their Required Module assessment for Module 3 will be on December 4 & 5.

Students will be learning different strategies to solve:

- Equivalent fractions
- Make like units pictorially and numerically
- Applying fraction knowledge to further applications when adding and subtracting

***** Please practice multiplication facts at home with games and flashcards! It's Fun!*****

Math 5/6 Our Compacted Math students are finished with fifth grade math and have begun the 6th grade math curriculum this month. Module 1 teaches ratios and unit ratios. Students are introduced to the concepts of ratio and rate. Their previous experience solving problems involving multiplicative comparisons serves as the conceptual foundation for understanding ratios as a multiplicative comparison of two or more numbers used in quantities and measurements.

CLKA Reading Our students will be finishing unit 3 where they have learned about different types of poetry and written various poems. Then, we will begin unit 4 where students will read *Adventures of Don Quixote*. The trade book includes complex text and prepares students in Grade 5 for the increased vocabulary and syntax demands aligned texts will present in later grades.

CKLA Writing In the writing lessons this month, students will engage in an extended writing project. In this unit, students will build on the practice they had in earlier units in writing paragraphs, and will write a four-paragraph persuasive essay arguing whether they think Don Quixote's good intentions justify his often calamitous actions. Students will support their claims with reasons and evidence from the text.

Social Studies: we will begin our next unit in January.

Science Students will be observing the decomposition of matter and its effects on the environment. Students will be observing food and processed products to determine how each decompose.