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5th Grade Classroom Connection- Mrs. Eckhoff Week of May 3rd

End of the Year Field Trip: The 5th and 6th grade classes will be taking our field trip together this year. We will be traveling to the Kansas City Zoo on Friday, May 21st. A permission slip form will be sent home with information about the field trip today. (Monday)

Religion & Memory- Psalm 110:1 and To Husbands: 1 Peter 3:7 and Colossians 3:19 will be recited on Friday.

We will be covering lessons 54-57 this week with assignments given on M, T, Th, and F.

Music Appreciation- We will be practicing songs for graduation as a school after chapel each week. Grades will be based solely on participation which includes respect for the teachers and other students.

Math We will be covering lessons 108-111 with assignments given on M, T, W, and F. Students have extra credit opportunities to help bring their daily grades up if needed. We will take a **test on Thursday, May 6th.**

Spelling- Monday- 20 Words introduced.

Tuesday- Official Classroom Spelling Bee

Wednesday- Spelling Sentences Assigned

Thursday- Spelling Test

Friday- Study Hall

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sedimentary	metamorphic	fault	anticline	core
crust	erosion	fold	absolute age	fossil
mantle	model	syncline	index fossil	relative age

We will have a classroom Spelling Bee on Tuesday, May 4th to determine who will attend the school spelling bee on May 14th.

A written test and an oral spelling bee competition will take place.

The top five students from our class will attend the school spelling bee.

Reading Students will turn in their *Esperanza Rising* books today. We will be using the READ magazine for our reading material this week in order to lighten things up a bit.

Because *Esperanza Rising* is a book about Mexican heritage, we will be celebrating Cinco de Mayo on May 5th at 1:00-2:40 with the 6th grade class. We plan to have: A Mexican Hat Dance, A Mexican craft, Piñatas with candy, and Mexican food to sample.

If you'd like to try a Mexican recipe at home and bring it in for the party, please feel free to do so. It will need to be something that is in a Crockpot, in a cooler, or served as is. Otherwise, we are asking for donations of chips and salsa for our party.

Students need to concentrate on finishing their book reports soon so that they can do their Power Point presentations on the computer at school. I

have some students that want to work on these and have only read a few chapters of their book. I have made a new rule that they need to be finished with their book before they can work on the Power Point at school.

Science: We will finish reading and discussing chapter 2 of unit E this week. We are studying types of rocks. Our test for this chapter will be on Friday, May 7th.

History: Mr. Andersen- We are currently studying: The United States in 1820's- 1860's Chapter 14

Assignments for the week will be: definitions, worksheets and notes

Our next test will be:

Reports:

Parents make sure your child reads over their notes every night. It should take 5 minutes each night.

Current Events Articles: **Articles This Week-** Use portaportal.com to get information. Use Earth calendar this week.

Days articles are due for your child are as follows:

Monday: Casey, Jesse, Vance, Hannah

Tuesday: Skylar, Adisen, Ryan, Elijah

Wednesday: Tessia, Josilyn, Kendrick

Thursday: Austin, Bailey, Alyssa

Friday: Andrea, Reece, Taylor

Newspapers to use: Kansas City Star, Washington Post, New York Times, USA Today, Sedalia Democrat

1. Pick 4 articles from any of the above newspapers and tell in 3-5

- sentences the **Who, What, Where, When, Why, and How** of each article- 1 local, 1 state, 1 national,
1 international
2. Earth Calendar: pick 2 events for the date your articles are due and tell where the event is celebrated.

All articles are due at the beginning of the history class or they will be considered late.

English- We will work in Unit four in English this week with a question and answer flow for pattern 4. We are going to steal 15 minutes from our science class each day to concentrate more on English. I'd like to get through unit 5 before school's out.
Expect a worksheet each day on M-Wed.

Writing- A writing assignment was given last Friday that pertains to the IV quarter report. (Not the book report.)

Students took notes on three options for writing: 1) List and explain your 10 favorite Bible Verses. 2) Research the sacrament of holy baptism from a Missouri Synod Lutheran Church's point of view. Use your Bible and catechism. You might also research another church affiliation's beliefs and compare the two. 3) Write about the things in Christ's life that have affected you the most and apply this to your own present life and future.

This writing assignment is due on Friday, May 21st. Students may work on these in class. They may also choose to do several of these assignments for extra credit. These will not be read in class.

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