

MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL

5th Grade Pride

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Important Dates

- February 2 – Ground Hog Day
- February 8-9 – 11:30 Dismissal – Parent/Teacher Conferences
- February 13 - Mardi Gras/Family Lunch
- February 14 – Ash Wednesday
Valentines Day
- February 16 – Teacher In-service, No School



Let's have every student reach their AR goal this quarter. The last day to reach their goal is March 22.
"Once you learn to read, you will be forever free." – Frederick Douglass

Much of what we do this month will be centered around Black History Month.

Reading- The students will be reading The Road to Freedom by Lesa Cline-Ransome. The book is about a girl named Emma who was born into slavery with her Mama and Papa. With her Papa sold on an auction block, Emma and her Mama realize that it is better to run away, as Emma or her Mama could be sold, too. Emma and her Mama have a rough journey to the North. Slave catchers are close to catching them, but with the help of others, Emma and her Mama make it to the North (<https://books.google.com/books>).



Class reading goals will be able to understand that visual elements of a text have an impact on the meaning and tone. One important standard that they will concrete on is RL.5. 2, Determine a theme of a story from details in the text, including how characters in a story respond to challenges; summarize the text.

Writers will be able to write to express an opinion supporting a point of view with reasons and information. One standard they will follow is W .5.1.b Provide logically ordered reasons that are supported by

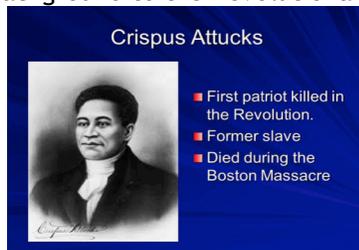
Math

During the month of February your student will master multiplying and dividing decimals. Next step is beginning to add and subtract fractions with unlike denominators. The Common Core standards they will learn are: 5.NBT.B.7 Add, subtract, multiply, and divide decimals to hundredths, using concrete models or drawings and strategies based on place value, properties of operations, and/or the relationship between addition and subtraction; relate the strategy to a written method and explain the reasoning used. 5.NF.A Use equivalent fractions as a strategy to add and subtract fractions. 5.NF.A.1 Add and subtract fractions with unlike denominators (including mixed numbers) by replacing given fractions with equivalent fractions in such a way as to produce an equivalent sum or difference of fractions with like denominators.

Visit the web-site

<http://www.ixl.com/standards/wisconsin/math/grade-5> to help understand the Math Common Core.

Social Studies- The fifth graders will be learning about the founding of European colonies such as Roanoke, Jamestown, and Plymouth. They will be creating a commercial identifying the likes and differences between New England, Middle, and Southern colonies. We will also begin reading about the background to the Revolutionary war.



Science - The students will begin Chapter 12 "Living Things Interact." They will understand how living and nonliving things interaction in ecosystems. The students will understand that the world has a number of ecosystems and biomes. Each student will begin to write an information paper comparing and contrast two different types of biomes.

Religion

Lent will begin February 14, Ash Wednesday. The fifth graders will learn the five Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary.

- * THE AGONY IN THE GARDEN
- * THE SCOURGING AT THE PILLAR
- * THE CROWNING WITH THORNS
- * THE CARRYING OF THE CROSS
- * THE CRUCIFIXION

The fifth graders will be beginning Chapter 6 in their religion book. They will read, Mark 12: 28-34 and learn about The Great Commandment. They will also describe and explore the ways of living the four cardinal virtues.