



Fifth Grade Weekly Newsletter
September 6-September 9
Week 1



I would like to welcome you to the 5th grade in Room L. I know this will be an exciting and challenging year. The field of study in 5th grade is more in depth than fourth grade. Fifth grade involves a larger work load, increased student responsibility, student accountability, and daily study at home.

Homework will be assigned Monday-Thursday. It should take 50 minutes to complete your work each night. In addition to your regular assignments, you will be working each month on a poem to recite. Every 6 weeks, you will have a project and/or a book report due. I expect you to work on these assignments nightly and perhaps over the weekend.

Studying is a very important part of your homework. It is crucial that you spend time each evening reviewing your notes and working on memorizing your Bible verse, spelling words and vocabulary for science and history.

This week you will learn:

- about the first Americans
- how to ID fingerprints
- the purpose of the Bible

I know it is the first week of school, but YES, you do have a Bible memory verse due on Friday as well as a Spelling Test on Thursday!

To Do List:

1. Remind your parents to attend Back to School Night tonight at 7 pm.
2. Cover Math and Science textbooks

Who can tell me...?

For 2 tickets, be the first person to tell me: What (who) are in the two pictures/phrase on this page and why are the pictures significant?

Lesson Plans for Week 1:

Bible:

Memorize 2 Timothy 3:16-17

“All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.”

Chapter 1, Test Friday

Spelling:

Chapter 1, Test Thursday

Math:

Review and Assessment

Reading:

Brian's Winter

SSR book must be in class by next Monday

Book Report due Wednesday, October 12

Language:

Unit 1

Life Science:

Chapter 1--Classification

History:

Chapter 1, Exam Fri, Sept 23

Writing:

September 11 Essay due Wed, 9-14

Projects:

Thanksgiving Card due November 15

Character Trait for September:

Attentiveness

Character Trait Award Spotlight:

Each week one member of our class will be singled out for exemplifying the character trait for that month. Not only will you receive praise in chapel from Miss Vanasse, but you will be featured in our weekly newsletter. It could be YOU!

New Word for Room L:

If you are the first person to write the definition of the new words each week, you will receive two tickets.

Attentiveness

Room L's Blog

By definition, a blog is a personal online journal that is frequently updated and intended for general public consumption.* I thought it would be fun for us to take turns writing the main article for the blog as well as writing responses to the articles written. Your blog and/or responses will be published on the back of our weekly newsletter and can be accessed online by going to our school website (www.granadahillsbaptistschool.com then click on the classroom letter for Room L). Blogs will be graded and you will be responsible for having them typed and saved on a thumb drive by your due date. You may write about any topic that is of interest to you (and I approve). This is a chance for you to show your creativity and talk about topics that are important to tween-agers.

Happy Blogging,
Mrs. Pittman

P.S. I will write the blog for the next couple of weeks just to get you started☺. I hope you notice the style in which you write a blog. It is written in 1st person (use the word I) and it is a collection of thoughts and ideas linked together like when you write in your journal except spelling does count.

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