

GRADE 5

WITH MS. CHRISTINA

QUICK INFORMATION

OPEN HOUSE / BEACH DAY SEPTEMBER 1st

- Optional but encouraged opportunity to meet me & see our classroom. At this time students can drop off their supplies & I will be available to answer basic questions.
- 8:00 -11:00 am for open house and then head to family beach day (more information later this summer)

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

- Tuesday, September 5th
- Student drop off time is 8:00 am. I do have morning work & do pull students to reinforce skills from 8:00-8:30 am. It is imperative for students to be dropped off around 8:00.
- Pick up time is 3:00.
- Please note our start & finish times are determined by the bus, so times could change.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Please see attached list of school supplies your student will need for the year.
- Water bottles are essential supply for students. Please consider having a water bottle that is just for school & stays in the classroom.

UNIFORMS

- Students on the lower campus wear uniforms (polo with GHS logo & black or khaki bottoms) Monday through Thursday.
- Friday is free dress day
- Sneakers must be worn on PE days

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- 5th graders will be more responsible to communicating between school and home.
- 5th graders will have homework Monday through Thursday. Usually reading and math.
- Any grading work can be redone to learn from mistakes. Students may not redo a quiz or test but can be given an alternate one if skills have improved.
- 5th graders use Google Classroom and we have a class website with all the links used for school

CONTACT INFO:

Dojo is the best and quickest way to reach me but I do check my email as well.

Email:

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Dojo:

Information will be sent in the fall

YEAR-LONG GOALS

- Grow stronger and more confident as a reader and a writer.
- Be more confident in math skills to be able to apply those skills to more complex problems
- Understand and use the power of your voice in your writing.
- Develop good study habits, effective time management skills, & foster a growth mindset by persevering through challenges



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SUPPLIES

- (5) wide ruled spiral notebooks
- (3) boxes of 12 count pencils (no mechanical)
- (3) bottles of glue
- (3) pens (any color)
- (3) packages of wide ruled lined paper
- (3) expo white board markers
- (2) pink erasers
- (2) packages of post-it notes
- (1) box of markers (skinny or fat)
- (1) box of colored pencils
- (1) pencil sharpener (no electric)
- (1) pack of highlighters
- (1) scissor
- (1) pencil pouch or box
- (1) water bottle
- (1) plastic folder (any color)

CLASS WEBSITE

<https://shorturl.at/bgDRX>

"IT ALWAYS SEEMS IMPOSSIBLE UNTIL IT IS DONE."

-NELSON MANDELA

WHY IS READING AT HOME IMPORTANT?

When a student reads 20 minutes a day at home, that student reads 1,800,000 words a year.

Students who read 20 minutes a day at home also perform 90% better on all content area assessments than their classmates who do not read. Reading as much and as well as you can is a key to your success in school and beyond!

WHY IS MATH AT HOME IMPORTANT?

Practicing math skills at home in 5th grade helps students reinforce concepts, develop skills, build confidence, improve fluency, and prepare for future academic challenges

It empowers students to become proficient in math and opens doors to a wide range of opportunities that require strong mathematical abilities.