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IB Attribute of the Month: Inquirer

### Ignite Hope: One LIGHT, Many Candles!

*"There is a certain enthusiasm in liberty, that makes human nature rise above itself, in acts of bravery and heroism." - Alexander Hamilton*

This week is packed with exciting learning activities! Here's where we're headed this week in the classroom.

In **Writing**, this week students begin a new writing unit on generating a personal narrative. This writing unit will be included as part of our upcoming IB unit on "Where We Are in Place and Time." **Grammar:** Fifth graders will continue with grammar this week focusing on nouns (singular, plural and irregular). Students will use Grammaropolis this week for grammar practice. **Spelling:** there is NO spelling this week due to the short week.

In **Science** we will continue our unit on how organic matter cycles through our living world in systems of interdependent parts. We will have an exciting Mystery Science lesson on Tuesday during our Zoom session! This will be an engaging way for us to generate questions about our unit and begin our exploration into the ecosystems around us. Many of our lessons will focus on ecology and will help the students develop the idea that plants, animals, and fungi form a system of interdependent parts, with each part dependent on the other parts for its material nourishment.

In **Religion** this week we will be honoring Veterans in our community. On Monday, the students will be encouraged to record themselves thanking the veterans with a poem, prayer, or message. Ms. Bakamis will be going over the Second Step Lesson on Disagreeing Respectfully during our **Second Step & Self-Care** class on Thursday morning this week.

In **Math**, we will continue our three Math classes this week. *Mrs. Smith's* class will continue working in Chapter 3: Divide by a One-Digit Divisor. Students will be reviewing lessons 1-4 in preparation for a Chapter Review Quiz on Tuesday. On Thursday, we will cover lesson 5 on estimating quotients. Please remember to upload photos of assigned work to the correct homework assignment in Google Classroom. Students should continue working in Moby Max for at least 45 minutes/week. *Ms. Bakamis'* class will

continue our lessons in Chapter 3: Divide by a One-Digit Divisor. Along with their daily homework, students should also keep up with the required 45 minutes of Moby Max per week (by Sunday night) which is worth 5 points per week in Math! In *Mrs. Dimock's* class **test corrections for Chapter 2 are due Monday**. Students will be completing a task involving multiplying and dividing decimals on Thursday. They will take the test for Chapter 3 the following Monday. Remind your student that **ALEKS is due Monday at 8 am every week**.

This week in **Reading & Vocabulary**, we will be reading books at our own level this week. We will be taking a Vocabulary Assessment also on Savvas/Realize if you have not finished it yet. We will continue working on our November Digital Reading Logs & our November Book Reports this week. Each student should have 15 entries on their Digital Reading Log to receive full credit on this assignment. Our **November Reading Log & the November Book Report are due on Monday, November 30th!** As a nightly practice, the students will be expected to complete at LEAST 30 minutes of reading. The students will review their progress on taking AR Quizzes on the books they've read so far this trimester. Our first trimester goal is 15 AR points.

### Important Dates THIS week:

- **Monday** – normal virtual day, specific assignments will be listed on our Weekly-at-a-Glance, **Food Drive (Please bring in food!)**
- **Tuesday** – normal virtual day, **5B Lunch Zoom @ 11:30 am - 12:00 pm**, Spanish class @ 1:30 pm, specific assignments will be listed on our Weekly-at-a-Glance, **Food Drive (Please bring in food!)**
- **Wednesday** – **No Virtual School in honor of Veterans Day Holiday**
- **Thursday** – normal virtual day, specific assignments will be listed on our Weekly-at-a-Glance, **Food Drive (Please bring in food!)**
- **Friday** – normal virtual day, Independent Work Day, specific assignments will be posted in our Google Classrooms, specific assignments will be listed on our Weekly-at-a-Glance, **Food Drive (Please bring in food!)**

### *Upcoming Important Dates:*

- **Monday - Wednesday, November 23rd - 25th - Student-led Conferences (Please sign-up ASAP 5B Fall Conferences)**
- **Thursday & Friday, November 26th – 27th THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS (NO SCHOOL!)**
- **Friday, December 4th - First Trimester Report Cards Sent Out, Figgy Pudding – “virtually” MYP Choir**