



4th/5th Grade News



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Social Contract Focus

This week it will be important to **stay on task**. As we finish out the quarter, students need to show what they know, and if they're distracted by others, that will be difficult. For some, that might mean going to bed early enough to be awake and alert during school. For others it means managing impulses so they don't interrupt. For everyone it means bringing their best so they can do their best!



Classroom Champions



Check out our commercial! Students who chose to recorded a video on Flipgrid and I mashed them together to share with other classrooms at West. We will end our collection March 15 and get those socks that we've collected to the shelter. Thanks for helping!
[Socktober Commercial](#)



Looking Ahead

This will be our last week together as a class. Beginning March 10, the first day of the 4th quarter, in-person 4th graders will join Ms. Taylor's class and in-person 5th graders will join Mrs. Elliott's class. They will be connecting with you on Class Dojo, so look for an invitation from them soon. You are welcome to reach out to us with any questions throughout the rest of the year, but your child's primary teacher will be either Mrs. Elliott or Ms. Taylor. It has been a joy and privilege being your child's teacher during this ever-changing year!

****Please be aware that due to COVID restrictions, West Elementary does not have after school child care for students with middle school siblings. Make arrangements for your child to be picked up or to walk home at 3:00.**



Picture Time



Tuesday morning 5th graders will have their pictures taken for their continuation certificates. Due to COVID restrictions, caps and gowns won't be used. Students can dress nicely if they would like to.

On Friday, we will have class pictures taken. Order forms for both photo ops went home Friday.



WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

End of Quarter 3

Assessments this week will include STAR test for reading and DIBELS (oral reading fluency) and DAZE for comprehension. If your student is in Read 180 or System 44, they will also be taking assessments in those programs. All of these assessments help us determine progress and instructional needs.

This is the last week for late assignments to be turned in as well. Check Schoology for your child's assignments.

This and That

This week we will celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday!



Stock Market Teams still have a month to trade! Even without time in class to do it, they can still buy and sell. Keep going – the contest end April 2.



Doodles for Google contest ends March 5. If your child has an entry, they need to get it to me ASAP!



Upcoming Dates

- March 1 – Asynchronous Monday Schedule
- March 2 – 5th grade continuation pictures
- March 5 – Class pictures
- March 5 – End of Q3
- March 8-9 – Teacher workdays – no students
- March 10 – Beginning of Q4 and 5 day per week school
- March 22 – 26 – Spring Break



Quote of the week: It's not about what it is. It's about what it can become. Dr. Seuss