



## From Mr. B's desk

Welcome to 5th Grade

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It's hard to believe that half of the school year is gone but as you will see today the second quarter report cards are coming home. I am very happy with the progress we are making as a class and look forward to an equally-great second half to the school year! Even though we had parent-teacher conferences earlier in the year, please let me know if at any point you want to meet again to discuss things, even if they are related to transitioning into middle school. Lastly, please look on side 2 of this newsletter for our class list for our upcoming Valentine's Day party. If you would like to help out that day we would be glad to have you join us. E-mail or send me a note and I'll send you details. If you can't make it please consider sending in a nutritious snack to share. Mr. B

# Nature's Wonders

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- **Reading:** We just started our new group books this week including: Because of Winn-Dixie, Trapped in the Museum of Unnatural History, Hachiko, Coraline, and Dolphin Song. So far the students are enjoying reading these great novels. We will be exploring vocabulary and other activities to go along with them next week. Reminder– Historical biography book reports are due Thursday Feb. 16th.
- **ELA/Writing:** This week we've been using the dictionary to find the meaning to our spelling words (adjectives and adverbs ending in -ly and -ally. We also went over the ELA practice test (Book 1) we took last week.
- **Social Studies:** We reviewed at the beginning of this week for our 13 Colonies test which was on Thursday. Next up, we will be looking at, and even doing a couple of small in-school projects, relating to the American Revolution.
- **Math:** Mrs. Lang has moved from fractions into decimals. There will be an introductory quiz next Friday.

**Hard Work—Respect—Focus**

### Upcoming Events:

Fri. Feb 3  
Tues. Feb. 7  
Tues. Feb 14

Super Comfy for Cause Day  
After School Enrichment  
Last After-School Enrichment, Valentine's Day party (see class list on back)

### Tests next week:

Math: Decimals– Friday, Feb. 10

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## Class List

1. Michael B.
2. Maddy
3. Seth
4. Casey
5. Colin
6. Kolby
7. Trinity
8. Samantha
9. Emily
10. Caitlin
11. Christian
12. Darah
13. Paige
14. Camryn
15. Mikie M.
16. Haley
17. Andrea
18. Bailey
19. Justin
20. Devin
21. Emma