

Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to grade 5! We are looking forward to the new school year. Next fall 5th graders will be in a dyad. Being part of a dyad means having two teachers: one for science & math and the other for language & social studies. Students go back and forth between the two classrooms during the day. You will catch on to the routines very quickly!

We think of the dyad model as a bridge between elementary and middle school. Teachers specialize and still get to know a small group well. Students get to move around more during the school day and learn from more than one teacher.

Fifth graders have a homeroom. Your homeroom teacher will be one of your dyad teachers. That's where you start your day, hang up your backpack, and keep all your things. In August, you will find out who your homeroom teacher is.

We use email to let families know what is going on at school. Email is the best way to communicate with us teachers.

We expect you to **read regularly over the summer**. Set up a daily routine for yourself so reading is a natural part of your day. Think about participating in the Gleason Library's summer reading program. In September, we look forward to hearing about all the wonderful books you'll have read over the summer.

There are 3 other things to do this summer. *Yes, you do have summer homework!*

- 1. Read at least 1 book about Colonial America** (fiction OR nonfiction) and **at least 3 other** books of your own choice. **Record** what you read.

See the pages from Ms. Gleason for more details, including suggested titles.

- 2. Complete the math packet.**

Details about this are explained in the letter from Mr. Naroff.

- 3. Send us a postcard.** Tell us about a time you used math, science, history, or geography over the summer.

We can't wait to get to know you and your family better in the fall! We expect an enjoyable and productive year. Until then, have a fun and restful summer.

Sincerely,

The 5th Grade Team

Jason Naroff (math & science) and Dana Meyer (language arts & social studies)

Jenn Putnam (math & science) and Mimi Gleason (language arts & social studies)

Jen Pray (team teacher)

School Supplies

If you ordered your supplies through the Carlisle PTO this spring, they will be delivered to your homeroom in August. If not, please come to school on the 1st day with the following materials.

1 heavy duty 3-ring binder (white, 1" spine)

1 pkg pocket dividers (5 or 6 tabs in all)

1 2-pocket plastic folder (yellow, with prongs for attaching papers)

1 marble book (100 sheets)

1 spiral notebook – 120 or 150 pages NOT college-ruled

4 doz. pencils (pre-sharpened if possible)

1 box colored pencils (12 count)

1 box washable markers (8 count)

2 4-packs of highlighters (2 each of blue, green, yellow, & pink)

1 roll clear tape

2 container of wipes - bleach free (35 count is fine)

1 box of tissues

2 roll of paper towels

1 pair of scissors (7" pointed tip)

1 6" plastic ruler

1 pencil box (abt 8.5" x 5.5" x 2")