



September 6, 2019

Dear Parents,

Well, we made it to the end of the first week of school. It was a fast week, and I thoroughly enjoyed getting to know your children. I sent home Friday Folders for the first time today. They should be emptied and returned on Monday. You will notice I included a paper copy of this Friday note. During the Open House, many parents expressed the desire to only receive the note via email. If you would like to receive your note via email, would you please either email me, send me a text, or write a note on your child's orange agenda sheet?

Next week on Friday, September 20, will be our first food pantry at West Gold Wesleyan Church. Please make sure your child wears closed-toe shoes. A dropped can of food can really hurt! We will eat lunch at OCS, and then travel to West Golden to help unload food, arrange it on tables, and finally distribute the food to needy people in the community. We will return to OCS in time for buses.

Math 5

Our first chapter covers such topics as place value to the hundred billions, comparing and rounding whole numbers and decimals, and decimal place value down to the thousandths.

Math 6

In 6th grade math, we are covering place value to the hundred trillions, comparing and rounding whole numbers and decimals, properties of addition, adding and subtracting one-step algebraic equations, and Roman numerals.

Reading 5/6

In reading we are working on building strong reading habits. Individual goals for recreational reading are in the process of being set (see my note on recreational reading in the Friday Folder for more details). We will soon begin our first novel study on *Restart* by Gordon Korman.

Writing 5/6

We have been warming up our creative juices this past week with short, fun writing assignments in class. We will finish up our "Please Pass the Story" pieces this week, and then begin work on personal narratives – a story about an event in our lives from which we learned a lesson.

Science 5/6

In our first chapter, we are studying classification. We will continue to look at our microscopic world this week (bacteria and such), and will soon be collecting samples from a local pond to study.

History 5/6

We are beginning with the beginning – the creation of the world.

In His Service,

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The 5th and 6th graders in Bible class with Pastor Mark.



Using a dichotomous key to classify jelly beans.