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|  Homan Happenings Mr. Homan’s 5th Grade Classroom |
|  I can’t believe we are in full swing into November. It won’t be long and the holiday season will be upon us. Be thinking of more items for the Christmas Auction. I don’t do a Christmas party but instead students use their class money to purchase items.  -Mr. Homan\*\*\*Important Info\*\*\** Today students received information regarding the **Family History Project.** We will be inviting Grandparents to visit our school on Wednesday, November 22nd. I would love for the visual display to be up in the hallway for Grandparents to enjoy.
* **Class Spelling Bee Friday, November 10th.** We will have the 5th Grade Spelling Bee this Friday to see which two students will be in the School Spelling Bee which will take place December 6th.

Upcoming Week * Social Studies

Ch. 4 Open Book TestTuesday 11/7* First Spelling Test

Wednesday 11/8* Reading Quiz

Thursday 11/9* Final Spelling Test

Friday 11/10* S.S. Quizzes

Friday 11/10**Band** on Wednesday and Friday.**Server Training** on Friday.**Social Studies:** We began to read about the **French and Indian War** last week. We will review and complete our chapter 4 test and then get right into chapter 5. Chapter 5 begins with **Samuel Adams** and the fight for liberty. This will lead to our **American Revolution.** I can’t wait to begin exploring this time in our history.**Science:** We began to read about **The Water Cycle.** I have a few videos I have found that will show the class how the water cycle works. We will also dive deeper into the importance of water on Earth. **Spelling**: This week’s list focuses on **words that have a VCCV (vowel, consonant, consonant, vowel) pattern.** I also need to stress neatness again with our spelling **work.** Please send me an **email** or **sign** and return this newsletter to confirm you received this. Sign: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | ***What we are learning:*****Reading**: This week we will read a **fictional story** called “The Night of San Juan.” This story is about a little boy living in Puerto Rico in the 1940s. He is unable to leave his house because his grandmother is too worried about the dangers of the world. We will review the skill of **problem and solution** as well as review the **elements of a story.****Religion**: I’m skipping a few chapters so that we can study about the **Eucharist** instead of Confirmation. For most of us this is the next BIG sacrament, okay I know Reconciliation is in there too. We will come back to the chapter on Confirmation later. The 5th Graders made **Baptism** **Cards** on Friday. It is my hope that these will be given out to the newly Baptized of the parish. **Math**: We will do more intense work with our **LCM** and **GCF** skills. This will be important as we continue to work with fractions. I’m trying to focus on the thinking and problem-solving aspect of these skills. It is one thing to know how to find the GCF and LCM however, if we have a real-life problem and we need to utilize the skill will students be able to apply the knowledge they have gained?**Grammar**: I discovered a minor issue that students are having with **simple subjects and complete subjects.** We spent some time today working on this. We will begin to discuss **direct objects** of a sentence. |