

May 16, 2025

## Fifth Grade News

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

- ★ May 21 - OWA and 8th grade awards ceremony @ 9:30- No all school mass (Thursday schedule)
- ★ May 22 - Last all school mass: Thursday @ 8:30 (Wednesday schedule)
- ★ May 25 - Last Day of School - 1:00 Dismissal: No Extended Care



### WE ARE LEARNING:

**RELIGION:** This week in fifth grade Religion, we focused on the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Our conversations centered around how we can live out these acts of love by finding simple, meaningful ways to serve others in our daily lives. It has been an incredible honor to accompany your students in their faith journey this year— each individual has left a lasting impression, and it has truly been a blessing to witness their growth, kindness, and curiosity.

**MATH:** This week, students dove into a fun and practical math project: designing their dream bedrooms! They used their knowledge of area and perimeter to plan floors, walls, and furniture, and calculated the total cost of all their chosen items. We'll be wrapping up the project next week.

It has been such a joy teaching your children this year. I'm incredibly proud of the growth I've seen in each and every one of them!

**LANGUAGE ARTS:** Students completed Unit 14 Vocabulary activities and the last set of IXLs for the year are due Monday. We have also been finishing up remaining persuasive writing presentations. We had some excellent debates going on in LA this week! Students will be continuing Career Projects next week and I have some fun summer themed writing & grammar activities planned.

**SOCIAL STUDIES:** Students have been continuing States Projects and are in the process of transferring facts to Google Slides. We've also been discussing areas of the United States we'd like to travel to as our year of studying US history is wrapping up.

**READING:** Next week we will be finishing up our novel, *A View from Saturday*. The students will have one last assignment, but there will not be a final test given for the book.

Purple Reading: Next week will focus on reading nonfiction articles.

**SCIENCE:** We're wrapping up the school year studying the day/night and seasonal patterns using student made sundials. Our last science adventure for the year is a Vacation In Space!!! Our young astrophysicists will take a career detour into marketing and design a billboard for a space destination.

### **School Supplies for 2025-26**

Get everything your child needs hassle-free! [Click here](#) to place your order! Super easy! The supply box will be delivered to your child's classroom by the first day of school. Deadline is July 1st.

This program is optional. If you don't purchase the kit through 1st Day School Supplies, the supplies listed for your student's grade level will need to be purchased and brought to school on the first day of school. See the 2025-26 list by [clicking here](#).

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