

Hello 5th Graders!

Welcome to the 2011-2012 school year! This year in fifth grade you will be expanding your reading skills, deepening your understanding in math, and continuing to develop strong writing traits. In Science you will study such exciting topics as the water cycle, the solar system, the structure of living things, and weather. You will learn about the history of the United States in Social Studies, and how our great country came to be.

As a 5th grader, more of your time will be spent working independently and you will be expected to take more responsibility as a learner as you begin the transition to middle school curriculum.

The writing curriculum is designed to build on the skills you used last year in the fourth grade. Using the Daily 6 Trait Writing in conjunction with the writing packet will provide you with daily grammar and writing practice. We strongly encourage you to complete all of the writing activities assigned on the grid.

Fifth graders should also plan on completing a state report. There is a packet available to guide you through the process as well as many websites and publications. This project will meet your Grade Level Project Personal Development Goal.

Please take advantage of the many field trips we offer at VOCS. Be particularly aware of those that support your curriculum as these help bring learning alive.