

Fifth Grade Newsletter

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We are off to a great start in Grade Five (blue). I'm impressed with how enthusiastic and eager students are about learning. We have been getting to know one another and have completed a few assignments that are geared to creating a high-performing classroom community. Ask your 5th grader about brainstorming what a high performing class looks like, feels like, and sounds like. What a constitution is and what it is like to develop a classroom constitution. We also gathered both 5th grade blue and orange classes together and analyzed an old folk tale "Stone Soup" as well as discussed the power of community, sharing, and happiness. All in all, it's been a busy, yet fun and invigorating few days.

QISS considers 5th grade students as the leaders and role models for all of the lower school. We are impressed with how the classes are living up to that responsibility. The principal and other teachers have given our class ESLR tickets for how they have modeled hallway behavior as well as how they have shown compassion and sensitivity on the playground. As a result, we now have earned eleven ESLR tickets and are nine tickets away from having an ESLR celebration. Great job, Grade Five!

Today is the first day for Friday folders. You will find a soccer camp registration form, our daily schedule, ASAP after school activity form, and a form to register for Class Dojo.

Class Dojo was originally designed as an online behavioral system for teachers, students, and their parents. But it is now much more. It is a great communication tool as teachers and parents can send messages including a translation function so you can read the messages in your native language. I will be posting information as well as pictures from time to time. I'd like to get a 100% participation with

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Class Dojo. If you have question feel free to email me or contact me through the school. I look forward to meeting you at Back to School Night.

We will also begin using the interactive classroom Edmodo beginning next week - see the attached letter. Edmodo is used as a communication tool by QISS Middle and Uppper school teachers and students. We will be posting assignments, projects, and learning links here to help students with their learning. Students can also submit their work through the site too.

I'm excited about helping your child grow as thinkers, peacemakers, and scholars during this 2016-2017 school year. Again, a great first week in Grade F Five. GO SHARKS!

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