# Mrs. Rawitt's

## **ELA and Social Studies News**

August 19, 2019

## Welcome Back to School!

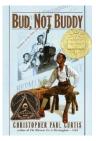
It was a great first week with our classes of eager learners and awesome THINKERS!! We are going to have a fabulous year! Please continue to check the planner and class website for updates and information. **Thank you!** 

# **Novel Study**



#### Read-Aloud

"Courage. Kindness. Friendship. Character. These are the qualities that define us as human beings, and propel us, on occasion, to greatness." — **R.J. Palacio, Wonder** 



#### Class Novel

It's 1936, in Flint, Michigan. Times may be hard, and ten-year-old Bud may be a boy on the run, but Bud has an idea he thinks will lead him to his father.

# **Spelling and Word Parts**

Beginning this Friday, students will have a spelling quiz every other week. You can find our spelling list in the reading section of the student binder. We will begin with the first 20 words on the list. Be sure to look over the list a little each day. Practice spelling the words you have the most trouble remembering. Word parts to know will be listed in next week's newsletter.

### **Important Dates**

#### August 30

T-Shirt Orders Due

#### September 2

No School

#### September 10

Curriculum Night (6:30pm)

#### 5th Grade Class T-Shirts



\$15.00 Each

T-shirt orders are due by **Friday, August 30**<sup>th</sup>

Visit our class website to order!

HTTP://TEACHERS.STJOHNS.K12.FL.US/RAWITT-T



Be sure to set aside time to **READ** every day. Visit our *Reading Rewards* on-line reading log at least 3 times a week to log independent reading time and answer the weekly BLOG question. On Mondays, students will be given a **Weekly Comprehension Story**. Please go over the story with your 5<sup>th</sup> grader, sign and return it by <u>Friday</u>.

#### Envision Florida Mathematics

\*Classwork and homework will be assigned daily depending on where the lesson ends for the day. Check planner for assignments. This is the new textbook St. Johns County adopted this school year that covers the Florida Standards. We will use it to support and practice lessons taught in class

#### Math 4 Today

\*Two weeks will be assigned weekly-Due Thursday and a quiz on Friday. M4T is a tool used for spiral review of standards. I started with Week 21 of the  $4^{th}$  grade version, so we can review  $4^{th}$  grade while learning new  $5^{th}$  grade standards.

#### Math Journal

The math journal is the spiral notebook where your child will take notes during class instruction. I will collect them at the end of the nine-week period as a grade for completing daily notes.

#### • Multiplication and Division Facts

\*"Time Me Tuesday" fact fluency quizzes will happen each week. Mathematics Florida Standards emphasize math fact fluency as critical to student success. At the beginning of 5<sup>th</sup> grade, your child should be able to recall 50 facts (multiplication and division 0-12) in 4 minutes.

#### Sunshine Math

\*A sheet will be passed out every Wednesday to be returned the following Wednesday. Parents may assist with explaining math terms, the problem or how to set it up, but may **NOT** solve the problem. The purpose of Sunshine Math is to challenge with higher level questions, some of them are DIFFICULT, so we will go over EVERY question together in class. I do not expect your child to get every question, I just want them to try. Enjoy the challenge!

#### HMH Florida Science

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#### Science Journal

The science journal is in the spiral notebook where your child will takes notes during class instruction. I will collect them at the end of the nine-week period as a grade for completing daily notes.

#### • Observations and Experiments

They will be conducted during class. We did our first one Friday and the children did an amazing job. They were well behaved, inquisitive, and eager for more. I'm excited plan for future activities.