

# Fifth Grade Back to School Night - 2020

## Planners:

- Please initial the planners indicating that your student has completed the night's homework.
- If not all homework is completed, only initial completed subjects, indicating your awareness of incomplete homework.
- Students should begin checking off completed homework assignments.  
*Homework assignments are also available on FACTS SIS and in the Google folder "Daily Planner" that I will share with you.*

## Communications:

White envelopes: Sent home every Monday. Please initial the envelope indicating that you have removed the contents.

-Students are responsible for putting them in their correct places, removing any sent correspondence, and giving it to the homeroom teacher, So please remind your child, since envelopes will not be checked.

Bible letter: Sent in an email on Friday or Saturday, it gives Bible verse(s) & catechisms for the week. Spelling and vocabulary test dates are also included.

**Contacting us:** Email at [amusselman@gcswarriors.org](mailto:amusselman@gcswarriors.org) or [cjones@gcswarriors.org](mailto:cjones@gcswarriors.org) or call the school 886-0937. We will return your call ASAP.

## Binders:

We expect the students to file papers within the appropriate folder. This will enable them to quickly find what they need in order to study for tests, etc. Please do not purge your child's folders. We will do this together in class.

## Homework:

We will TRY to be light on the homework on Wednesday nights and try not to give homework over the weekends. This will not always be possible.

## Discipline: Behavior and Responsibility forms and tickets

### Class Meetings:

Weekly on Friday mornings, form a circle, share compliments, examine problems, solutions suggested, solution chosen

### Schedule

-*Bell rings at 8:10am* Pledge begins, so students should be seated and prepared for the day. This means books for a.m. instruction, pencils sharpened, and homework filed.

### -Pledge & Prayer time

Students write petitions and praises on the whiteboard, so please let your child know so we can be prayer warriors for one another

### -Snacks

Send in healthy snacks that are not messy. Water bottles with pop up tops are allowed and encouraged.

### -Lunch/Recess

11:15 recess 11:35 lunch

Send forks/spoons and precook food and store in an insulated container.

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## SPECIALS

**Chapel- will be videotaped and viewed in the afternoon during Bible**

**Monday- 10:35 Music**

**Tuesday- 8:30 Art**

**Wednesday- 8:30 ½ library, ½ computer**

**Thursday- 9:30 ½ library, ½ computer**

**Friday- 10:00 PE**

## **Dress Code**

Please refer to the GCS Handbook.

Wear tennis shoes on Friday for PE **and on the playground for recess.**

Students can change into their tennis shoes prior to recess.

**LABEL EVERYTHING-COATS, GLOVES, LUNCH BOXES**

## **Field Trips**

Not for now

## **Illnesses/Absences/Tardies**

- Notify the office

- Notes in planners work best for early dismissals or tardies for needed appointments.

**- Makeup work will be given when the student returns to school. Homework is available on FACTS SIS.**

**\*Homework Policy When a Student is Absent Due to Illness:** \*From the student handbook

- If the child is in 4th through 6th grade, parents should refer to FACTS SIS for the assignments. Parents can make arrangements to pick up books for the assignments on FACTS SIS or ask that they be sent home with a sibling, if they desire. Additional work will be sent home the day they return to school, and the student will have a reasonable amount of time to make up the work. Assistance will be given to make sure the student understands the material. This may include working during recess and study hall upon their return. If a student is out for an extended number of days and a parent requests work, the teacher will use their discretion and send home what they feel is appropriate.

**Homework Policy When a Student Knows in Advance He/She Will be Absent:**

- Students will be given a reasonable amount of time to make up work when they return to school following a vacation. Students in grades 4-6 may choose to take their books, check their assignments on FACTS SIS and complete any work while on vacation. Any additional work will be given upon their return. If a student has difficulty with the material they will have time upon their return to get assistance. This may include working during study halls or recess.

**Parent volunteers are needed to help co-room moms with class parties -**

Not scheduled for now

## **Ways to Support the School**

Register your Kroger &, Martin's cards

Pray for teachers, students, administrators, the school, the GCS community

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## **Bible- Jones**

Students will take a Catechism test and a verse test each Friday. Both will have a fill in the blanks format.

Each student needs an ESV Bible and a Catechism book. Catechism books are \$1.50 if you need a new one.

Our curriculum focuses on the origins of Scripture, and explores stories and principles from the Old and New Testament.

Chapel messages will be on video this year. Our theme is the Tabernacle.

## **Grammar - Musselman**

Tests will be given at the conclusion of a unit and about midway for longer units.

A complete preposition test will be given two times a quarter beginning the second quarter.

A partial test for jingle paragraphs will be given every other week for the first quarter.

## **Writing - Jones**

**Institute for Excellence in Writing (IEW)** will be used. It is an incremental format for rewriting paragraphs and writing original paragraphs and essays. Subjects for writing will relate to history, science or Bible. We will also focus on the **6+1 Traits of Writing**.

## **Spelling/Vocabulary - Musselman**

Wordly Wise list - spelling test on the first Wednesday, vocabulary test on the following Wednesday

Tests occur every other week on **Wednesdays**. **A Quizlet access code is in the front of your child's workbook. This is an interactive website with games to help study vocabulary.**

## **Reading - Jones**

basal reader stories, novel units, book clubs, comprehension skills, workbook pages and poetry memorization.

## **Math - Musselman**

Fact practice - XtraMath drill for the first half of the year, I expect students to practice 3 times a week.

Later students will work measurement facts and multi-step facts on paper.

New concept lesson

**Written practice is homework** if a student does not complete it in class

**Fact Drill practice is also homework**

**Cumulative tests over the textbook lessons will be given about every 10 days.**

**I will take a grade using XtraMath every 2 -3 weeks.**

## **Science - Musselman**

The first several quizzes will be open book using notecards. There are one to three per chapter.

**Tests are given at the end of each chapter.**

Course content will begin with recycling and then chapter 11 on the respiratory system.

## **History - Jones**

Review of American History, from American exploration and colonization through World War II.

**There is one quiz and one test per chapter.**

Projects, review games, timelines, maps, and worldview discussions.