

amanda.larsen@uticak12.org Class website: <u>www.larsensclass.com</u> Password: larsen5 Weekly Specialist Schedule: **Mon:** Media Center 9:55-10:45

Tues: Gym 9:55-10:45 Wed: ISM 9:55-10:45 Thurs: Art 9:55-10:45 Fri: Music 9:55-10:45





## Happenings & Updates for October 2019:

\*Mon, Oct. 7: Rink Night 6:00-8:00 p.m.

\*Fri, Oct. 11: Dresden Spirit Wear order form due

\*Wed, Oct. 16: NEHS Meeting (current members) 3:50-4:50 p.m.

\*Thurs, Oct. 17: Girl Scout Information night 5:00 p.m. \*Fri, Oct. 18: Bagel Day (preorders due Wed. 10/16)

\*Wed, Oct. 23: PTO Meeting 6:30 p.m. \*Fri, Oct. 25: Picture Retake Day

\*Fri, Oct. 25: Bingo Night 6:00-8:00 p.m.

\*Thurs, Oct. 31: Elementary Half Day! Dismissal @12:04 p.m.

Birthday Celebrations...

September 3: Blake

21: LaRon 22: Alice



October 30: Avery



Pizza Hut Book-It forms will be coming home sometime this week. PLEASE encourage your child to complete the form each month. Fifth graders should be reading 20 minutes daily.

## Reflections/Additional Information...

I am noticing that many students have missing work. Please check PowerSchool and your child's agenda to ensure that your child is turning his/her work in. The students and I have discussed the importance of turning in work. Late assignments will be deducted 15% (1 day late) and after that the assignment will be entered into PowerSchool as 'missing' & 0%. I also have several students that are not putting his/her name on their work. Assignments turned in with no name are marked and put on a clip on the board, if a student notices his/her paper is on the board he/she may take the paper, label it, and then turn the assignment in. 'No Name' papers will receive a 10% grade reduction. Thank you for all of your support in your child's education!! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to let me know! ~Mrs. Larsen

## Corner \_



Unit 1 Reading: The Big Idea for Unit 1 is: Eureka! I've Got It! Where can an idea begin?

Comprehension Strategies: Reread and Ask & Answer Questions

Comprehension Skills: Character, Setting, Plot: Sequence, Problem/Solution, Cause/Effect, & Author's Point of View

Genres: Realistic Fiction, Narrative Nonfiction, Biography, and Persuasive Article

Writing: 6 + 1 Writing Traits, Paragraph Structure, and Narrative writing

Grammar: Sentences, Subjects & Predicates, and Compound/Complex/Run-On Sentences

Spelling: Short/Long Vowels and r-Controlled Vowels

Social Studies: Government and Geography

Science: Matter

Math: Unit 1 Addition and Subtraction with Fractions



- $\textbf{~PowerSchool:} \ Please \ be \ sure \ to \ check \ PowerSchool \ for \ your \ child's \ grades \ OR \ to \ see \ if \ he/she \ has \ any \ missing \ work.$
- ~Spelling: Spelling packets will be sent home every Friday and will be due the next Friday. Spelling tests will be given on Friday unless otherwise noted in agenda. ~Math: The students should be bringing home their Student Activity Book on a daily basis. The S.A.B. is the student 'textbook' that we work with daily and it is expected to be used as a reference for homework. I remind the students daily to bring home their S.A.B. and to bring home the homework in their parent communication folder ('Dragon folder') AND to bring it back to school the next day. ©
- ~Vocabulary/Grammar: The students will receive a 'trifold' with vocabulary words every Monday. The work is to be completed in school during Daily 5 and is turned in on Friday. They will have an 8-question multiple choice test on the words for the week. Grammar will be completed together throughout the week. After a packet is completed the students will have an 'open packet' test. All of the grammar is completed in the classroom.
- ~Classroom Website: I have been updating the website so be sure to check it out! You will find most of the information you need on either the 'parent's newsletter/notes' tab OR the curriculum resources. ALL of the vocabulary sheets/HW are on the website and you can find a newsletter that details the weekly skills & spelling words.
- ~Weekly emails/text reminders: Newsletters will be sent out on a monthly basis. I will send out emails, text reminders, or information will be written in your child's agenda to keep you informed on testing dates, other Dresden events, and any updates I need to communicate with you.