Hello Fifth Grade Parents!

With the end of the year closing in on us.

**-Testing**: 5th grade has a lot of testing going on.

* **~~FAST Writing~~** ~~assessment- April 12~~~~th~~ ~~(That’s next Wednesday.)~~ *~~Computer based~~*
* **~~FAST ELA~~** ~~assessment- May 2~~~~nd~~ *~~Computer based~~*
* **~~FAST Math~~** ~~Assessment- May 9~~~~th~~ *~~Computer based~~*
* **FSSA Science** Assessment- May 16th &17th- *Paper based*

**End of year fun….**

* 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony- Friday May 19th from 9AM till about 10:30 You may check Junior out after the ceremony, or they may stay for the afternoon. *(Look below for more on this.)*
* Movie day- Friday May 19th- We’ll have a movie afternoon in our classes after the awards ceremony and lunchtime. Students can select and enjoy a movie in one of the 5th grade classrooms.
* Yearbook/Autograph book time- On Monday May 22nd, from 8:45-9:45 we’ll meet out in the courtyard to sign yearbooks & autograph books and share goodbye cards with classmates and favorite teachers from past years.
* Fifth Grade Fun Day- from 10-12 on Monday May 22nd. Hot dogs, Hamburgers, snacks, popsicles and cold drinks… oh, and friends too! We’ll have a cook-out and time with friends out on the Conley Field. Coach Vance will provide music.
* Tuesday May 23rd, our reading teachers will be inviting guest readers to visit our classes and read a favorite book to the kids… and maybe share some end of the year thoughts
* Wednesday May 24th… Final day (what awaits).

On **Friday the 19th at 9 A.M.** we will host our 5th grade Promotion Ceremony. Each of our rising 6th graders will be presented on stage. We will be awarding those who earned Honor Roll, Attendance and Citizenship for the 4th quarter as well as those who earned Honor Roll through the entire year. Some will be recognized by our special area teachers for participation in class and for programs outside of class.

The ceremony takes place in our **Cafeteria and will start promptly at 9**. It normally takes about 1 -1 ½ hours. We look forward to seeing you there. Please allow time to check in at the office. There will be a short time afterwards for family members to take pictures with friends and teachers.

**Dress code** can be as simple or as fancy as you want. There are no requirements (beyond school dress code) other than a request to not wear hoodies that hide their faces. A suggestion would be buttoned shirts and slacks for the boys, a nice blouse and skirt or slacks or a dress for the girls. Those who bought class tees can choose to wear those. There’s no need for a suit or fancy dress… unless you want to. Keep in mind there are steps leading up to the stage, so high heels could cause an embarrassing fall.

After the ceremony **you CAN choose to check your son or daughter out** for the rest of the day. Please let your teacher know and follow the normal check out procedure at the front office.

Mr. Christiano

5th Grade Team Leader