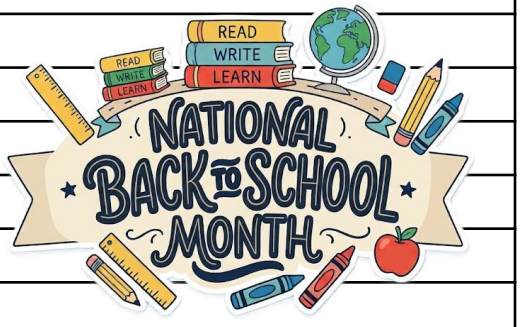
WEEKLY LEARNING SCHEDULE

Week of: August 24-28, 2026

Aligned to 5th Grade Common Core Standards, Next Generation Science Standards, & California History Social Sciences Standards

Benchmark Reading	**Unit 1**: U.S. Constitution, Then and Now ***Essential Question****: Why do laws continue to evolve?* **Target Skills**: Main Ideas & Details, Text Structures, Compare & Contrast
Literature Study	*"The Top 10 Ways to Ruin the First Day of 5th Grade"* by Ken Derby
Writing	Newsletter Writing, Informative Paragraph
Speaking & Listening	"Turn & Talk", Class Discussions
Amplify Math	**U1 L1-4:** Unit Cubes and Volume
Science	Scientific Method - Tools for Investigation
Social Studies	State Report #1: State Flags and 1-pager
STEM	Newton's 3rd Law of Motion: Balloon Cars
Art Appreciation	Color Wheel
Communication	**Class Website:** *https://OurYear.us* **E-mail:** toanpham@stocktonusd.net, **Texting & Messages:** ClassDojo



Accelerated Reader

AR is a computer program that helps teachers manage and monitor children's independent reading practice.

After taking the STAR test and getting a point goal for the Trimester, your child picks a book at his/her own level and reads it at their own pace. When finished, your child takes a short quiz on the computer. Passing the quiz is an indication that your child understood what was read. **5th Grade students are expected to read at least 20-30 minutes on their own. AR Reading is an assigned homework for every day**.

Please make sure your child has a quiet place and time to read their AR minutes. Thank you.

Library Books

We are fortunate that Rio Calaveras has a library full of wonderful books for students to read to expand their knowledge. Please help me in reminding your child that it's very important to **take good care of the library books** entrusted to them, not thrown on the floor or somewhere that the books can become dirty or torn. *Overdue or lost library books will incur fines and your child cannot use the library resources until the books are returned or paid.*

With your child's being responsible and your help, we will always have books from the library to enjoy. Thank you.

Homework

Homework is assigned Monday-Thursday. Students are to complete the homework and have it in class the next day.

Daily Homework Schedule (about 40-50 minutes):

- *Skills Practice (~10 minutes)*
- *Amplify Math & Lexia Pathways (10 minutes)*
- *AR Reading (20-30 minutes)*

Please set aside homework time for your child in the afternoon and help him/her to be responsible and accountable.

A great big **THANK YOU** to Families who have donated supplies and necessities to our class:

Please go to the "Wish-List" page on our Class Website for the list of items we need. Thank you.