

5Th Grade Newsletter



Sometimes Grade 5 feel a little defensive...

Introduction

Dear parents,

Grade 5 are steaming ahead like a steamer that's won 1st place in a very hot water competition. We'll meet next week and you'll be able to find out how much hot water your little Popeye has been steaming in - it'll be fun...

[Click on this link to book a time to meet me](#)

[Click on this link to fill in a survey about your child](#)

And if it rains, I will send you a zoom link



(we will hold a zoom meeting at the agreed time)

English

We've been putting the comas into commas as we focus on drop-in clauses! No, they're not accident-prone Santas, but different ways of enriching our writing through asides and extra information. We also looked at how to use adverbials and parenthesis to make our writing funky.

And when we haven't been putting the racket in brackets, we've been studying the 12 tenses in English with all the intensity of an octogenarian wrestling an octopus - it's perfectly simple...

Maths

The good news is that we've been doing well in maths. The bad news is that I've now asked the children to go faster, tackle harder numbers and increase their accuracy to a level above perfect.

The children have responded well. They're increasing their scores, gritting their teeth with determination and following my number one piece of advice - don't get the answer wrong. We've been applying this method to negative numbers, decimals and percentages. Thanks for supporting us on Showbie - we're getting better by the bucket load.

Social Studies

Empathy is wonderful thing; especially if other people feel it too. To develop our empathic skills, we spent a creative-writing day pretending to be a character in our city state of Heropolis. Fine food was eaten, milk and honey was drunk and the president was toppled in a violent revolution - isn't it heartwarming when children play nicely together? I'm insured...



G5 has a new pet - Edith. If you're nice to her, she'll let you call her Eddie.