4th/5th grade Literacy & SS

Taliaferro County Schools August 2020 S. Reaves



**Curriculum Corner**

**Reading/ELA/Writing:** This month, students will use the Bookworms curriculum to get them reading and discussing great books everyday. They will also participate in read alouds, grammar instruction, and writing instruction. 4th grade will begin the extended text Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, while 5th grade will read Walk Two Moons. Both grades will work on narrative and opinion writing.

**Social Studies:**

**4th grade**- Unit 1 is Connecting Themes. This unit is an introductory unit intended to familiarize students with all of the connecting themes and enduring understandings. As such, this unit has no associated Georgia Standards of Excellence. Activities will focus on 8 connecting themes that students will encounter this year: *relating beliefs and ideals; conflict and change; distribution of power; individuals, groups, institutions; location; movement/migration; production, distribution, and consumption; and technological innovations*. By the end of the unit, students should demonstrate that they are comfortable with the enduring understandings and can apply them to practical, everyday situations.

Instructional Activities: <https://www.georgiastandards.org/Georgia-Standards/Documents/Social-Studies-4th-Grade-Unit-1-Sample-Unit.pdf>

**5th grade**- Unit 1 is This unit is designed to introduce students to the 8 themes that will feature prominently in Fifth Grade Social Studies. Activities will focus on relating *beliefs and ideals; conflict and change; individuals, groups, institutions; location; movement/migration; production, distribution, consumption; scarcity; and technological innovations* to students. By the end of the unit, students should demonstrate that they are comfortable with the enduring understandings and can apply them to practical, everyday situations. There are no standards and elements for this introductory unit.

Instructional Activities: <https://www.georgiastandards.org/Georgia-Standards/Documents/Social-Studies-5th-Unit-1-Sample-Unit.pdf>

\*\*\*For the 1st two weeks, students will complete benchmark testing and review activities\*\*\*

Instructional websites

* [www.usatestprep.com](http://www.usatestprep.com/)
* <https://app.seesaw.me/#/student/login>
* [www.flocabulary.com](http://www.flocabulary.com)
* [www.ixl.com](http://www.ixl.com)

**Exciting Events**

* Students will receive reading books and workbooks so they can participate in the reading lessons. Please remind your students to be careful with their materials.
* Please check Remind frequently for important announcements.



**From the teacher’s desk:**

**Welcome to 4th and 5th grades at Taliaferro County Schools! My name is Sherkeyla Reaves and I can’t begin to tell you how excited I am to have you in my class this year. This year will be packed full of learning adventures that I hope will be both exciting and challenging. We will meet live as a class (synchronous) on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays by 7:50am on Zoom (Zoom is used to provide video and audio for live instruction. It is very important to log in on time because attendance is mandatory and taken for every class). You will use the time on Tuesdays and Thursdays to complete assigned work on your own through Seesaw. (asynchronous). Please keep submit your work on time because ALL assignments count.**

***Join Zoom Meeting:***

[**https://us04web.zoom.us/j/2302630591?pwd=WDJRVmovTUxSN21MZ0NPTWhXL1pqUT09**](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/2302630591?pwd=WDJRVmovTUxSN21MZ0NPTWhXL1pqUT09)**\*\*\*You can also join at** [**www.zoom.us**](http://www.zoom.us/)**. Enter the meeting id and passcode.\*\*\***

**Meeting ID: 846 487 3953**

**Passcode: 941647**

**All assignments will be located on Seesaw (Seesaw is a platform for students to receive and submit assignments, announcements, etc). Students will be provided with log-in information for all websites.**

**If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at:**

**Office number: (706) 426-0304‬**

**email:** [**sreaves@taliaferro.k12.ga.us**](mailto:sreaves@taliaferro.k12.ga.us)

**Remind: 4th grade:** [**www.rmd.at/9f73h4**](http://www.rmd.at/9f73h4)

**5th grade:** [**www.rmd.at/36d99d**](http://www.rmd.at/36d99d)

**\*\*\* Tech Support:**[**helpdesk@taliaferro.k12.ga.us**](mailto:helpdesk@taliaferro.k12.ga.us) **\*\*\***