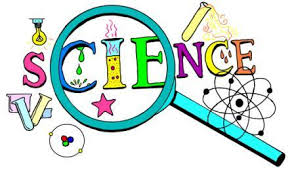
Welcome to Mrs. Matthews’ Class

5th Grade Science and Social Studies

2019-2020

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* This year will study *physical science* (properties and states of matter, mixtures and solutions), *life science* (plant growth and survival, ecosystems), and *Earth science* (moon phases and seasonal changes, Earth’s natural resources). Be aware that physical science will be our largest unit.
* Students will keep up with an organized **Science Notebook**. This will be interactive as we explore investigations, but it will also serve as the main study tool in preparing for quizzes and tests. Please note that this notebook will be graded periodically for organization, completion, and/or accuracy of classwork and investigations.
* Your child will be taught **safety rules and expectations** and will be held accountable for abiding by these at all times. Failure to do so will result in time out from our hands-on activities.
* **Homework** will be assigned as needed throughout the year.
* It will be important for your child to have access to the **internet**. A lot of our new curriculum can be accessed online for review and reinforcement.
* Science grades will be **equally weighted** this year.

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* In social studies we will learn about the 5 themes of geography, map skills, local, national, and global geography, and explorers and the early American colonies.
* We will keep a social studies notebook with study guides, notes, as well as class activities.
* Social studies grades will be equally weighted.

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