



Hello Parents! 5<sup>th</sup> grade is off to a great start. As you have already seen, every Thursday, your student brings home their graded work in the graded work folder. Please look through these and initial each page so I know you have seen their work. Papers are then returned to me on Friday and then get organized into the 3" binders. All their work will be kept here until the end of the year.

We will be starting our novel, *The Bridge to Terabithia*, on October 2. Please make sure your book is in class by then, if it isn't already.



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In social studies, we begin each week with a new lesson and newspaper. Hopefully you have been able to look over the paper and watch your student earn coins after answering questions, reading an article, and watching videos. So far we have learned about our U.S. regions & American Indians of the Southwest. We move across the country to learn about the American Indians of the Pacific Northwest, the Great Plains, & the Eastern Woodlands. We then learn about the early explorers.



The Season of  
**ORDINARY TIME**

In religion, we continue to discuss the Christian Initiation of Baptism and why we celebrate it. We learn about remembering and celebrating the life of Christ throughout the liturgical year. We also discuss why Ordinary Time is a special season to learn about Christ and to grow as his followers.

In math, we will start on multiplication, properties of multiplication, patterns in multiplication and estimation with products.

We are familiarizing ourselves with our new Science Weekly newspaper. We are learning about atoms, building blocks of matter and changes in matter. We explore physical and chemical changes, as well as states of matter.



In language arts, we will discuss the parts of a story- character(s), setting, and plot. We will learn about writing good sentences, and what run-on and compound sentences are. We will also learn about quotations and how to use them correctly.

Thank you for your support,  
Mrs. Huerta