



# Dasman Model School

## Grade 5 Newsletter

February 1, 2009

Dear Parents,

Please note that your child will be studying the following topics at school for the next four weeks.

### English -Teachers: Livingstone, M.

- Week of Feb. 15:
  - **Reading:** "What Kind of Fish is This?," page 178
  - **Grammar:** Common and proper nouns, page 117
  - **Writing:** Persuasive writing
  - **Spelling:** Lexicon will be distributed on Sunday for the **test on Thursday**.
  
- Week of Feb. 22:
  - **Reading:** "Pueblo Storyteller," page 188
  - **Grammar:** Singular and plural nouns, page 120
  - **Writing:** Expository writing: Instructions: *How to make something*
  - **Spelling:** Lexicon will be distributed on Sunday for the **test on Thursday**.

### Mathematics -Teacher: Fredericks, T.

- ✚ Week of Feb. 15: **Measurement:** Standard units to measure length, perimeter, area, volume and angles. Using appropriate tools to measure real-world situations. Pages 546, 560, 586.
- ✚ Week of Feb. 22: **Find areas** of squares, rectangles, triangles and circles. Determine the **surface area and volume** of rectangular solids. Pages 546, 560, 586
  
- ✚ **Test: Wed., Feb 18<sup>th</sup>: Fractions, multiples, GCF, LCM**

### Science -Teachers: Fredericks, T.

- Week of Feb. 15: **Forces and energy**, Unit F, pages: F5, F6, F8, F11 and F13. How fast does a spring move objects (page F5)? **Vocabulary: gravity, force, speed, acceleration, friction.**
- Week of Feb. 22: When a **force is applied** to an object, the object might **speed up** (page F6). Also, when a force is applied to an object, it might **slow down!**
- **Test: Wed., Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>: Diagram parts of a flower, forces and energy, vocabulary.**

### Review of Upcoming Tests:

**English:** Month of March

**Grammar:** Month of March

**Mathematics:** Wed. Feb. 18th

**Science:** Wed. Feb. 25th

**Homework Diaries:** Please make sure you sign your child's homework diary every night. All homework assignments and tests will be written into their diaries.

**Materials:** Your child is expected to purchase the following materials for school: pencils, erasers, A4 loose leaf notebook, coloring pencils, whiteboard markers, a geometry set, and highlighters.