

**Fifth Grade Language Arts**

**Allamuchy Township School**

**2019 - 2020**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to fifth grade Language Arts. Attached you will find various requirements and guidelines, to better prepare your child for this school year in language arts. The information below includes class information as well as necessary information to ensure a successful school year!

This will be an amazing year! I can't wait to spend this school year working together with you and the Allamuchy team to help your child have a successful school year in language arts. Please feel free to contact me throughout the school year with any questions or concerns. My e-mail is [edelaney@aes.k12.nj.us](mailto:edelaney@aes.k12.nj.us).

I look forward to a successful school year and meeting you at Back-to-School Night.

Sincerely,

Ms. Emily Delaney

- I. Supply List
  - 2 Notebooks - one to stay in class for writing journal/grammar notes and one for class notes and novel questions
  - Pencils, Pencils, Pencils
  - Sticky Notes
  - Notecards
  
- II. We will be studying novels and short stories this year.
  - Novels:
    - Wonder* by R.J. Palacio
    - Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry
    - City of Ember* by Jeanne DuPrau
    - Because of Mr. Terupt* by Rob Buyea
  
- III. Grading

Tests/Projects	40%
Quizzes	30%
Classwork/HW	20%
Class Participation	10%

#### IV. Homework

- There will be a weekly homework packet sent home on Friday for the following week. This homework packet will include spelling and vocabulary words for the following week.
- A reading log will be sent home with the weekly homework packet.
- Pages will be assigned daily to read in our class novel throughout our novel studies.
- Additional homework may be assigned throughout the year such as a grammar or vocabulary practice sheet.
- Projects may also be assigned for homework. Students will be given time in class to work on projects but they may also need to work on them for homework.
- Partial credit will be given for partially complete homework or late homework when applicable.

#### V. Accelerated Reader

- Each marking period, students are required to read at least one independent reading book.
- AR books must meet the following criteria:
  - It is found on the Accelerated Reader Website at <http://www.arbookfind.com> as the student will take an AR quiz when the book has been completed.
  - The book(s) must be within the student's reading level.
  - The book must be at least 4 AR points. Two 2 point books may also meet the requirement as long as they are on the student's reading level.

#### VI. Extra Help

- Extra help is available by appointment during lunch.
- It is for those students who are struggling while they are participating, taking class notes, and trying their work on their own in school and at home.

#### VII. Extra Credit

- There will be an opportunity to earn extra credit through the use of our IXL program. A letter will be sent home shortly explaining the extra credit details.

#### VIII. Remind Application

- To receive text messages about tests, quizzes, homework updates and projects on your phone:
  - Enter this number: 81010
  - Text this message: @ae4ek97

Please return this completed page to Ms. Delaney by **Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**.

We have carefully read the Language Arts Handout. As a student, I am aware of the responsibilities and expectations I must fulfill in order to be successful in this language arts course.

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Student Name

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Student Signature

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Parent/Guardian Name

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_