



FIFTH GRADE NEWSLETTER

Engvall Elementary

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Week of March 15 -19

The Master Spy of Yorktown

This nonfiction selection tells of several black men who worked as spies and gained valuable information for the Americans. One in particular was James Armistead, who worked for the Marquis de Lafayette. Armistead enlisted to help the American army during the Revolution. He

worked as a spy in the camp of General Cornwallis, and was instrumental in helping the American army win the battle at Yorktown and end the Revolution. After the war ended, Armistead was granted his freedom and even given a pension. The selection also mentions other enslaved men who worked for the American army during the revolution: Saul Matthews, Antigua, and Quaco.

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Quote For the week:

I hope I shall possess firmness and virtue enough to maintain what I consider the most enviable of all titles, the character of an honest man.

George Washington (1732 - 1799)

Upcoming Events

Monday, March 15: Early out

Friday, March 19: Science Fair Teacher Check

Do a write-up on the procedure of the experiment (explain Step 1, then Step 2, then Step 3, etc.)

Saturday, March 20: First day of Spring

The Master Spy of Yorktown

1. knotted
2. thinning
3. blurred
4. dropped
5. stirring
6. begging
7. starring
8. sobbed
9. fitting
10. dragged
11. fanned
12. petting
13. snapped
14. hopping
15. robbed
16. admitted
17. digging
18. trapping
19. hotter
20. winning

Challenge Words

1. capital
2. idle
3. shelling
4. channel
5. assembly

This Week's Math Highlights

Chapter 10 includes three important skills: measuring, identifying, and drawing. These three skills applied to the concept of angle measurement and geometry standards for the fifth grade. In this chapter students will learn to measure and classify angles, identify and measure parallel and perpendicular lines, classify quadrilaterals and missing angles measures, and solve problems by drawing diagrams.

Chapter 11, in this chapter students will find perimeters of squares and rectangles, find area and volume of triangles and parallelograms, and volume of rectangular prisms. Students will also be finding surface area of rectangular prisms.

Vocabulary

legislature: a group of people who make or pass laws

headquarters: a center of operations where leaders work and give orders; a main office

campaign: a series of actions planned and carried out to bring about a particular results.

petition: a formal request to someone in authority

procure: to obtain by making a special effort

Other words to know:

Traitor, shy, whim, morale, comrade, Colonel, garrison, commissions, diligence, fidelity,