

# Miss Garcia's Class Newsletter

## Week of April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024

### 1. Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> Early Release

This Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> is an **early release day**. Students will have a **1:00 pm dismissal**. This Wednesday we will **NOT have specials**. Click [here](#) to see the six-day schedule for the entire school year.

### 2. State Testing Next Week

We have two more state testing days coming up:

April 16<sup>th</sup> - AASA reading/math part 1

April 18<sup>th</sup> - AASA reading/math part 2

Please avoid pulling out your fifth grader on these days. If a student starts a testing sessions and then is pulled out of school, they are not permitted to resume their test when they return.

### 3. Review Display Guidelines and Grading Rubric

Last week, your fifth grader should have brought home a packet with display guidelines and grading rubric for your review. Please sign the acknowledgement form at the end of the packet and return it to school by Wednesday, 4/10. Thank you!

To download another copy of the guidelines and grading rubric, [click here](#).

### 4. Next Steps

This Wednesday for the Genius Hour project, we will be teaching students about using their own words in their Genius Hour display (instead of copying and pasting blocks of texts from a website). Afterwards, your fifth grader

will be bringing home a paper they completed about using their own words for your review.

### **5. Project Due Date**

Students need to bring their completed *Genius Hour* projects to school on Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>.

### **6. Closing Down the Class Website**

This summer, the class website will be discontinued and replaced by Canvas. For the remainder of the school year, I will be transferring features of the class website to Canvas.

As of next Monday (4/15) all future assignments will be posted on Canvas only. In Canvas, assignments will be posted in one of the five classes: Math, Language Arts, Social Studies, Science, and Technology.

All assignments posted **before 4/15** will still be available on the class website until the end of the school year. Any assignments posted on **4/15 or later** will only be posted on Canvas.

Your fifth grader has already accessed several assignments via Canvas at school and should be familiar with the process. If they are having problems accessing assignments at home through Canvas, please let me know.

### **7. Newsletters and "What's Due Tomorrow" Daily Digital Agenda**

Until I figure out how to post an easily accessible version of both the Class Newsletters and "What's Due Tomorrow" on Canvas, I'll still be continuing to post a list of each week's newsletter and each day's list of assignments that will need to be completed for review the next day on the class website.



Baby Armando hopes everyone has a great week!

**Thank you for reading this week's newsletter!**

**Helpful Links!:**

- Parent Square - I will be using Parent Square to send out most of my communications. If you do not have Parent Square, [click here to get registered](#). Note: to register, you must use the email address or phone number you provided to the school as part of your contact information.
- Class website! - You can find our class website by clicking [here](#) or at <http://bit.ly/garciafifth>
- Logging into ParentVue allows you to check your child's grades 24/7. Here's the link to ParentVue: <https://www.peoriaunified.org/Page/209>
- Email is the best way to reach me. My address is [augarcia@pusd11.net](mailto:augarcia@pusd11.net)