September 2019

Dear 5th Grade Families,

All 5th graders will be participating in a wonderful science and art opportunity through the Wake Water and Soil Conservation District! Each year they hold a poster contest with a theme related to conservation and this year the theme of the contest is “Wetlands Are Wonderful”. This is a direct tie-in to 4th and 5th grade science curriculum and the units on conservation and ecosystems. During September and October, all students will be introduced to the poster contest, learn about the types and importance of healthy wetlands in NC, actions that harm wetlands and actions that help wetlands in Library Team8. They will work to learn how wetlands operate as important water filters and learn about the biodiversity within wetlands in Imagineering Team8 as well as poster techniques, both visual and interactive, in Art Team8. While the introduction of research and resources will happen at school, the bulk of the research and the actual creation of the poster will be completed at home. The rubric for the contest is on the back of this letter and will be what teachers and judges use to choose the poster winners. We will send the top 3 posters from each 5th grade class on to be judged at the county level. We will provide students with the poster board for the project. This is a mandatory project and the posters are due back to school by October 30. We will be using agendas to map out a plan in the next couple of weeks for finishing the research and poster.

You can see more info and find ALL the resources you need for research on our Combs Library website www.leadwithreading.weebly.com as well on in your student’s Google Classroom and you can email Ms. Headley aheadley@wcpss.net with questions or concerns.

Thank you,

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