

5S QUESTIONS and TOPICS FROM FROM THE WEEK OF MAY 15-MAY 19

This is not an official HSC- You can use it to talk about subjects that happened in school this week. The next official HSC will be given on Thursday, May 25th.

TUESDAY NEWSDAY: What do you think? Should they raise the age for buying cigarettes?

On Tuesday, 5/14/17, 5S learned the Massachusetts House of Representatives was going to review a bill that would raise the age of buying cigarettes from 18-21. 5S learned a bit about both sides of the argument. For example, one side points out that the American Cancer Society reports, " 95 percent of smokers first pick up a cigarette before the age of 21." Another side says that if an 18 year old can join the military and vote, they should be old enough to buy cigarettes. Everyone in 5S voted on what they thought the age should be. What do you think?

SCIENCE AND MCAS:

One good thing about the Science MCAS is that we get to spend more time on the wonderful world of science. This week we spent time reviewing and learning more about simple machines, sound waves, the sun, moon and earth and the difference between rotate and revolve and the difference between learned and inherited traits.

KEEP CLUB and DRISCOLL FAIR: 5S has been brainstorming ideas for the launch of the Driscoll KEEP club. As you know KEEP stands for Kids Expect Environmental Protection. Not only is 5S thinking about what to sell, they are thinking about pricing. We did some math lessons on Economics and Supply and Demand. KEEP club is meeting after school on Monday, May 22, from 2:30-3:20 for students to help make things for the spring fair.

POINTS DAY: 5S has brainstormed ideas for our Points Day. We are now going to do research to evaluate cost, distance, etc.

RIVER TABLE BUILDING: 5S has continued to plan and build new buildings and landscape design on our river table.

OTHER:

Of course, 5S has also had Chinese, library, art, music, PE and conservatory. We have also been reading from our Read Aloud- *Absolutely Normal Chaos*. Right now there is a mystery about why Carl Ray is being given money and also Mary Lou and Alex Cheevey held hands after meeting at the pool.