

# 5TH GRADE MATH

Mrs. Coffield



## My Schedule:

**8-3 Math:** 8:25 - 9:10 am

**5-2 Math:** 9:55 - 10:40 am

**5-1 Math:** 10:40 - 11:25 am

**Remote Week Jan 4-8: Login DAILY for Zoom.**

## Upcoming Topics

### Working with Decimals

We began working with decimals through a money unit. Moving forward, we will be working on comparing and ordering decimals, estimating/rounding, and operations (+, -,  $\times$ ,  $\div$ ) with decimals.

Basic facts (+, -,  $\times$ ,  $\div$ ) continue to be a challenge for some students. Encourage them to continue to login to Freckle Math daily for the fact practice. Your family can also play games like Yatzee, multiplication WAR with cards, and use flash cards. There are several free games online that can be

used as well. Try Google-ing free online math games or try one of these links: <https://www.multiplication.com/games>, <https://www.multiplication.com/games/all-games>, <https://www.timestables.com/games>, [https://www.mathplayground.com/grade\\_5\\_games.html](https://www.mathplayground.com/grade_5_games.html), <https://mafs.mathgames.com/>, or <https://www.education.com/games/multiplication/>

## Instructional Pace

I am planning instruction around key focus skills for grade 5. These are the skills that are building blocks for content that will be taught in grade six. In some cases I have had to go back and pick up some focus skills that are typically taught in grade 4 (for example: money, place value-tenths and hundredths) before I can teach the 5th grade skills (ex: hundredths) due to Covid last year.

You can keep your child moving forward and make up for lost instruction due to Covid by encouraging them to use Freckle Math and other online resources. Freckle Math adapts to the child's ability level, whether advanced or a little behind and provides instruction at a "just right" level of difficulty.

## Google Classroom and Zoom

The students are now used to accessing their work through Google Classroom and are all able to upload their assignments. This is important because when we have to go 100% remote, they have the process under their belt.

Additionally, Zoom meetings are going very well. Since we are going to a 100% remote learning environment January 4-8, students

will need to logon to the Zoom to access the daily math instruction during our **regularly scheduled math class times**. It is important that students login on time prepared to review the assigned homework.

**During 100% Remote Week Jan 4- 8, late homework will only be awarded credit if turned in on the date due.** It will be considered late after the start time of the math class until midnight that evening.

Students know how to login and how to access their Sadlier textbook and workbook resources remotely. Textbook pages are found under the heading "*Instruction and Practice*" while workbook pages are listed under the heading "*More Practice & Homework.*"

All books, materials and supplies should be brought home over Christmas break to allow for a thorough cleaning of the classroom and to be prepared for the return to a 100% remote environment Jan. 4-8. What lies ahead is anyone's guess!

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## FRECKLE MATH

Freckle Math provides adaptive math practice and is available for students to use as much as they want! It uses a branching technology that adjusts to each student's ability level. When students get a certain number of problems correct, it will branch to higher level problems, but if they get problems wrong, it will adjust what is presented to provide easier problems. Built in support is provided for students who are performing below level.

All students are required to login each day for 5-10 minutes to work on Fact Practice and/or Adaptive Math Practice. I require this during the transition between classes while I am setting up the Zoom sessions and whenever there is down time as students finish quizzes and tests.

The wonderful thing about Freckle Math is that it provides differentiated instruction for each student. No one knows what lessons other students are being assigned by the program, so there is no stigma of getting assigned remedial work. It's actually "just right" work for each student!

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## Merry Christmas!

I wish each and every student and their families the merriest of Christmases. It is a strange time with the pandemic, but we have a mighty God who is with us always. I pray that you all find time to celebrate the birth of our Lord in a special way this year. I am looking forward to 2021!




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## Contact Me

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