Dear 5th Grade Parent(s):

Thank you for a fantastic beginning of our 5th grade year! In 5th grade, we will be integrating our daily planners into our classroom behavior management system. Our planners are a wonderful tool to help our students become organized and accountable for their work and responsibilities in the classroom. It is also a wonderful tool to communicate with our families on a daily basis, if needed.

Going forward, beginning ***Monday, August 19th*** , your student will need your initial on each day of the week. This will ensure you, at home, know of any upcoming events or assignments that are due. Also, please take a moment to ensure their spelling words are coming home spelled correctly. If each student in their collaborative work group has a parent initial, the group will receive 2 points. If someone is missing an initial, the group only gets 1 point. Points will also be received for good behavior, being on task, being respectful, etc. However, this system is fluid and the group may lose points by not making good choices. Finally, we are asking to have the reading minutes recorded each day of the week. Students are expected to read 20 minutes per day or 140 minutes per week. At the end of the month, the group with the most points will be able to choose a book from our “Book Box”. As simple as this system appears, it is quite effective.

EXAMPLE: (only one day shown; please ensure weekly spelling words are correct)

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with any comments, questions or concerns.

Kind regards,

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