



# Mrs. J's Jaguars

Welcome, students!

# Sneak-A-Peek

## 8-6-08

Parents,

As a new school year begins, I would like to take this opportunity to personally welcome each of you to the Maxwell AFB Family and especially to our classroom.

In order for your child to experience a successful third grade year and meet DoDEA standards, I strongly recommend the following:

- Bookbags and binders should be checked daily, to ensure your awareness of upcoming events.
- Except for cases of illness, students should be in school and on time everyday.
- Daily reading should be done with your child. Research shows children need to have individual reading practice in order to maintain reading skills and in order to progress.
- Review skills taught in class

# Sneak-A-Peek Cont...

- Practice all math facts from the previous class lessons.
- Emphasize the importance of doing homework with your child and check to see that it is done. This helps to develop the trait of responsibility.

During the year there will be times that we will need to talk to each other concerning your child and his/her progress. If at any time you feel that it is necessary to have a conference, please feel free to contact me either by way of a note or scheduling a conference through the front office.

Children may pay for lunch by the week or month on the first day of a week. This method seems to work best for students. To help make the cashier's job easier we ask you to please send your child's money in something so that it cannot be lost.

# Sneak-A-Peek Cont...

Many opportunities and events will come along for us to work together as the year progresses. I am looking forward to working with you and your child, and know that this is going to be an enjoyable year for all of us.

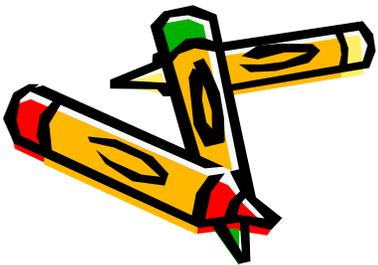
Thank you for your support,

Sincerely,

Mrs. J.

# Welcome to Class!

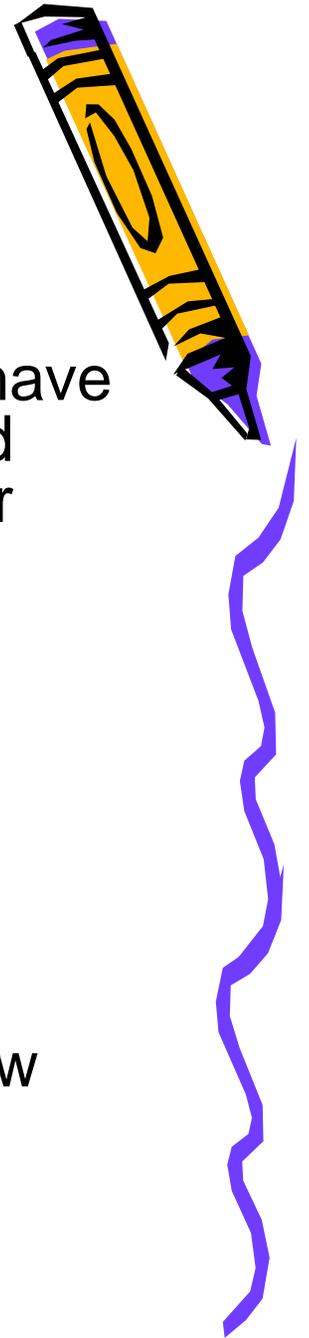
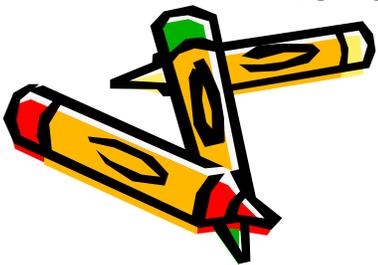
As we embark upon this new school year we must work together to ensure your child's academic success. One tool we can use to assure good discipline in school is the use of a belief statement. A belief statement can exemplify how we treat others and how we want to be treated. Below, you will see a sample belief statement.



# My Goals

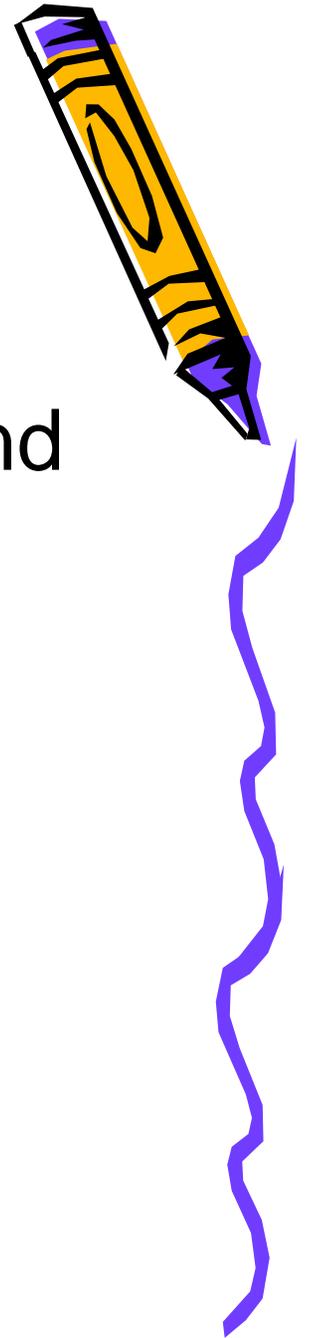
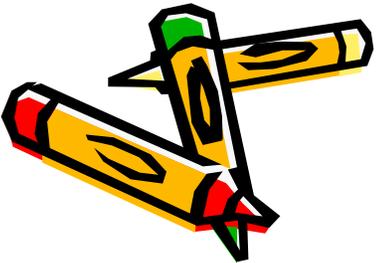
Your child is very important to you and me. We have an opportunity to work together to help your child receive the best education possible. My goals for your child are as follows:

- To give them the academic and social skills you need to move forward.
- To help each child reach their goals.
- To provide a supportive and fun classroom environment.
- To help them make new friends and discover new interests.



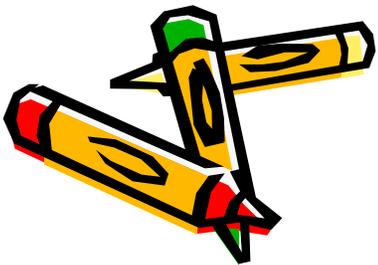
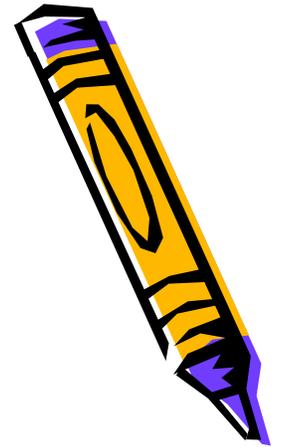
# Class Subjects

- The subjects we cover during fifth and sixth grade are:
  - English/Language Arts
  - Math
  - Science
  - Social studies



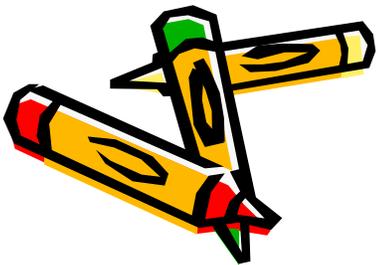
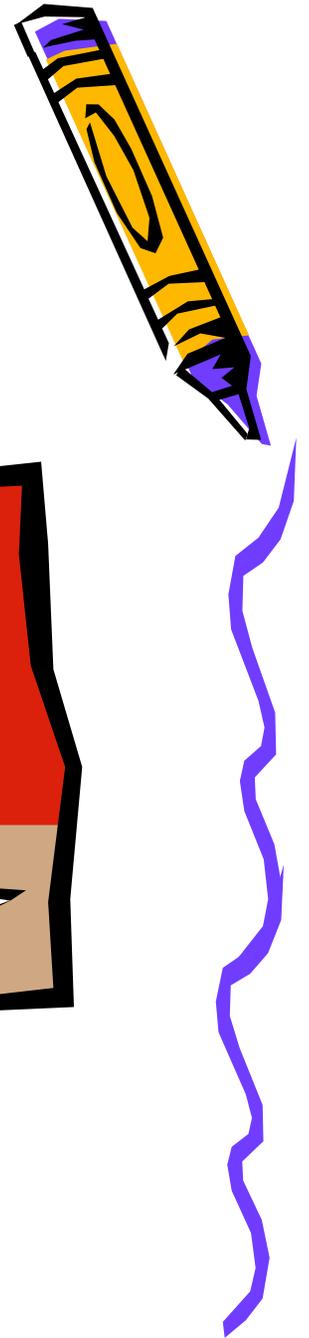
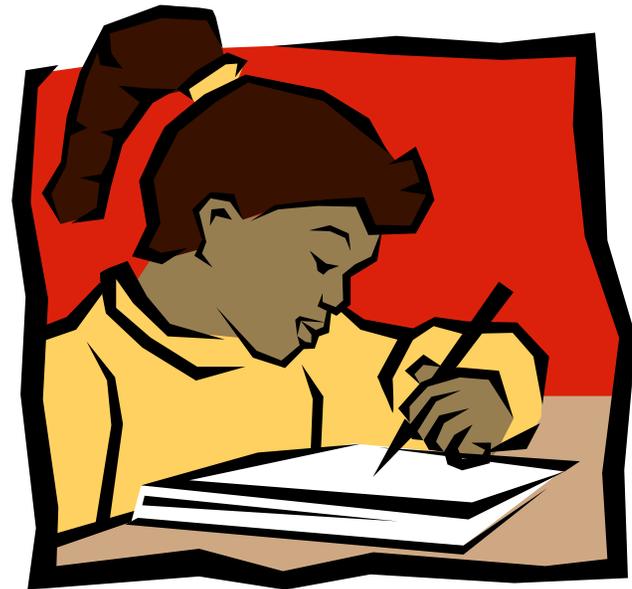
# English/ Language Arts 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grades

- Reading – 25 chapter books
- Writing
- Speaking, Listening, and Viewing
- Conventions
- Grammar
- Usage of the English Language Literature



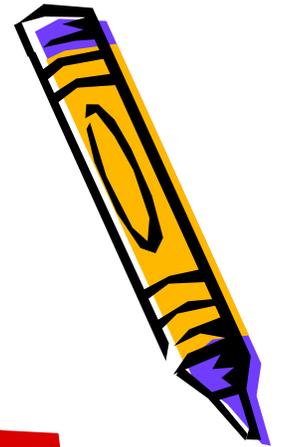
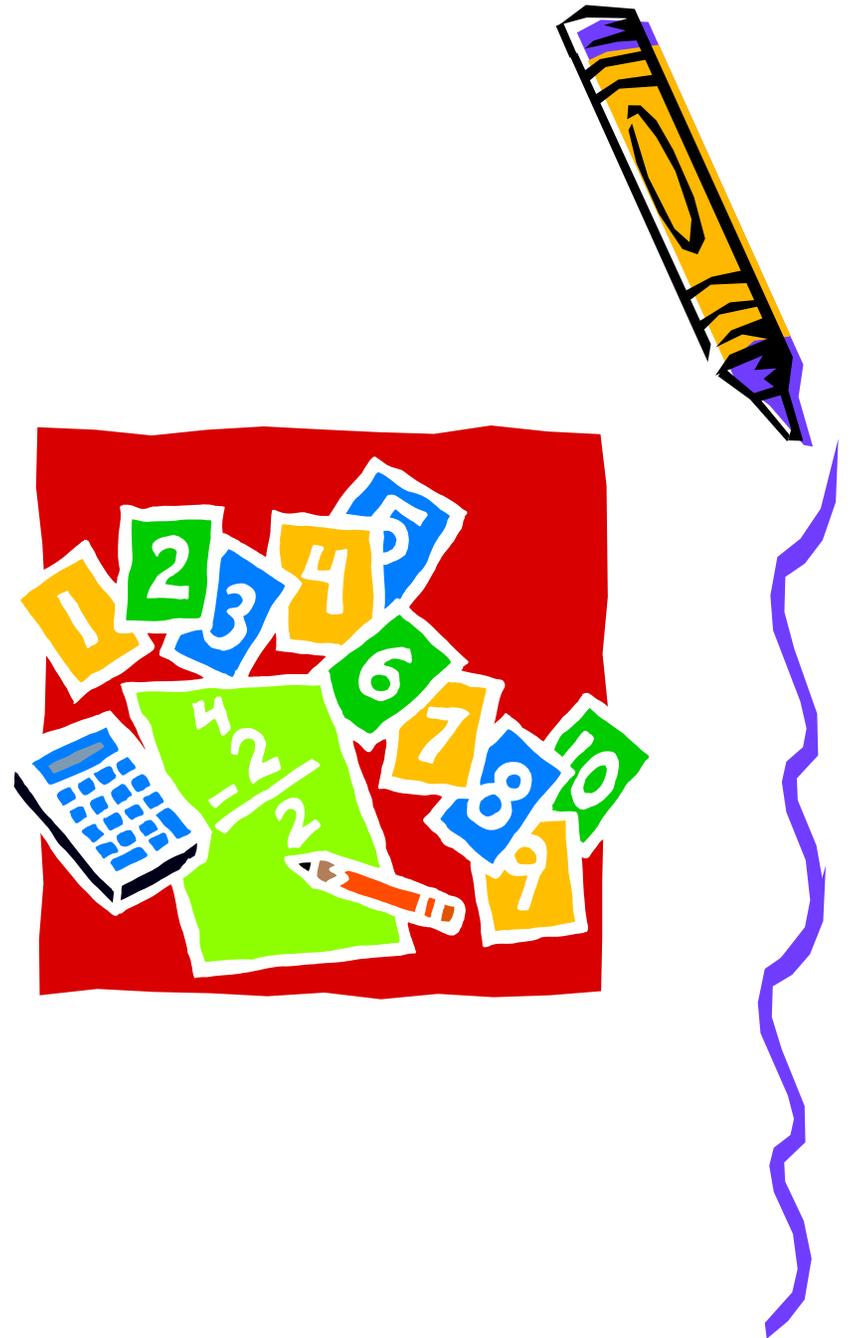
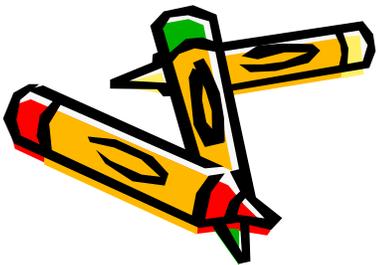
# Writing

- Write daily
- Sharing Events, Telling Stories
- Writing Purposes and Resulting Genres
- Informing Others: Reports
- Functional and Procedural
- Producing and Responding to Literature
- Spelling
- Vocabulary and Word Choice



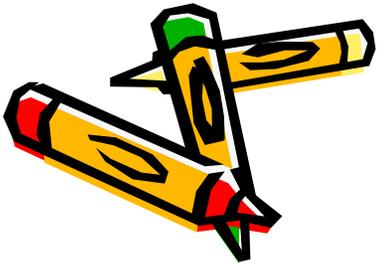
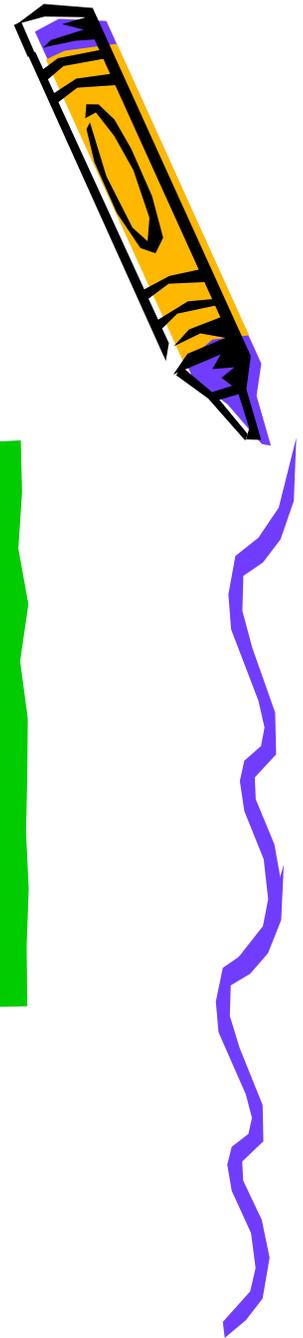
# Math

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- Algebra
- Geometry
- Measurement
- Data Analysis and Probability



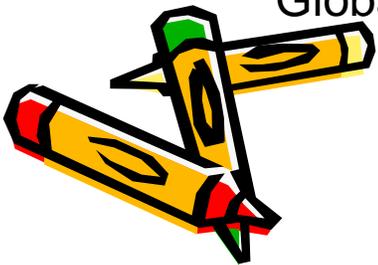
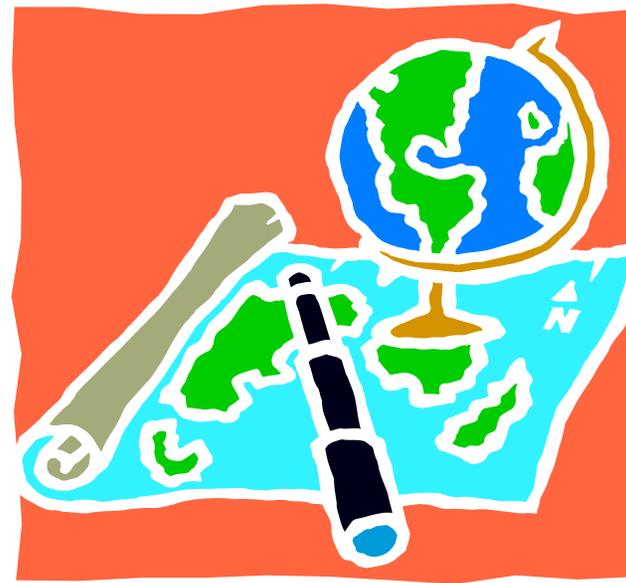
# Science

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- History and Nature of Science
- Science in Personal and Social Perspectives
- Science and Technology
- Physical Science
- Life Science
- Earth and Space Sciences



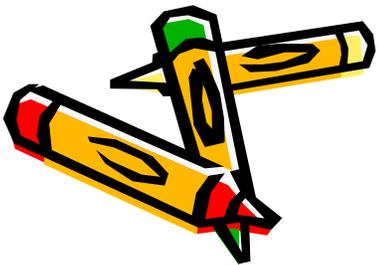
# Social Studies

- Skills
- Citizenship
- Culture
- Time, Continuity, and Change
- Space and Place
- Individual Development and Identity
- Individuals, Groups, and Institutions
- Production, Distribution, and Consumption
- Power, Authority, and Governance, Science, Technology and Society, and Global Connections



# Classroom Community

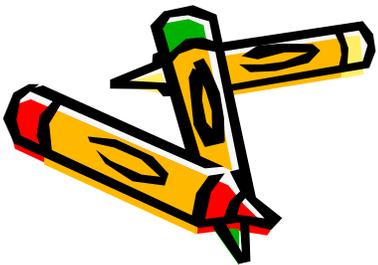
- Our classroom is a community. In our community, we have rules to help us get along with each other.
- Classroom rules will be established and placed in the JAGUAR BINDER as soon as all the belief statements are returned (see slide 5).



# Star Student

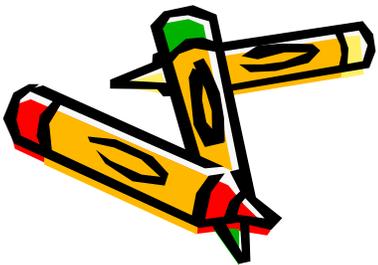
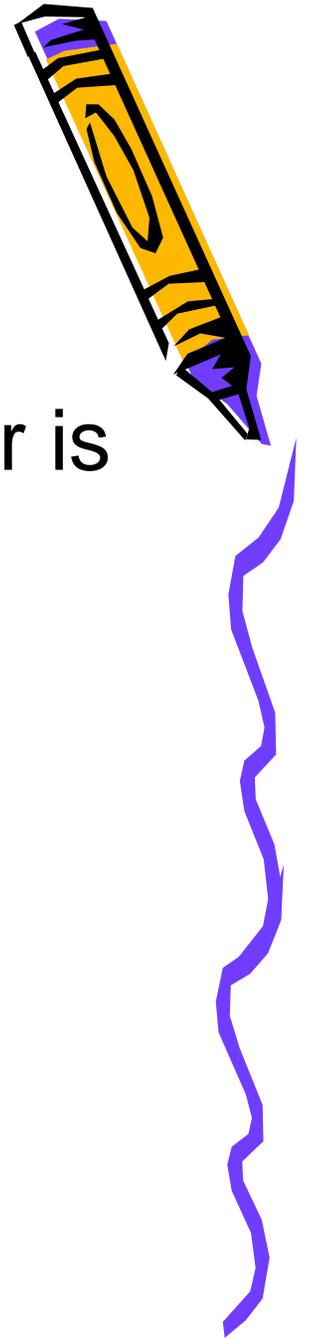
Your child will have the opportunity to be the “Star of the Week”! While your child is the Star, each day of the week will consist of an exciting event or activity to honor him/her and to help us get to know our special classmate.

(see the notes below)



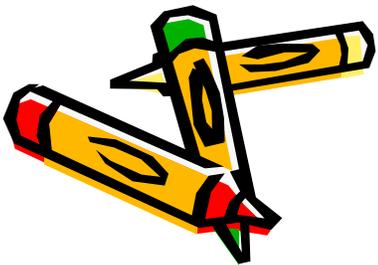
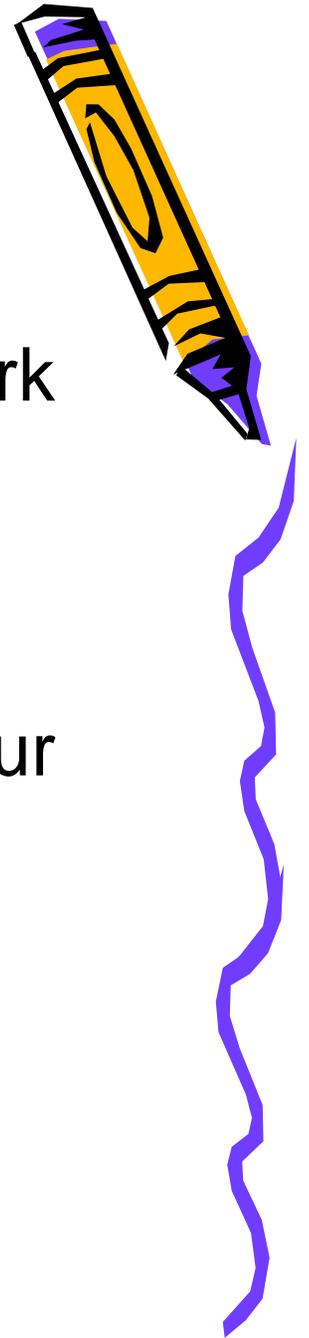
# Jaguar Binder

- The materials needed for your binder is on the supply list. We will set up our binders at school.



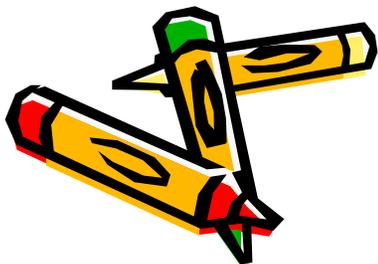
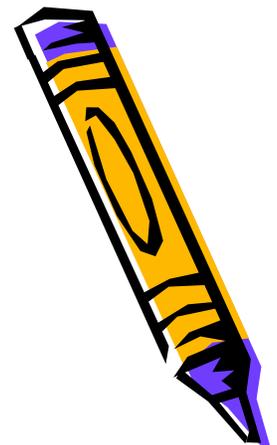
# Homework

- I will assign about 45 minutes of homework every night. This includes 20 minutes of reading.
- Your homework will consist of Choose-A-Chart, nightly reading, and working on your spelling packet (5<sup>th</sup> graders only).



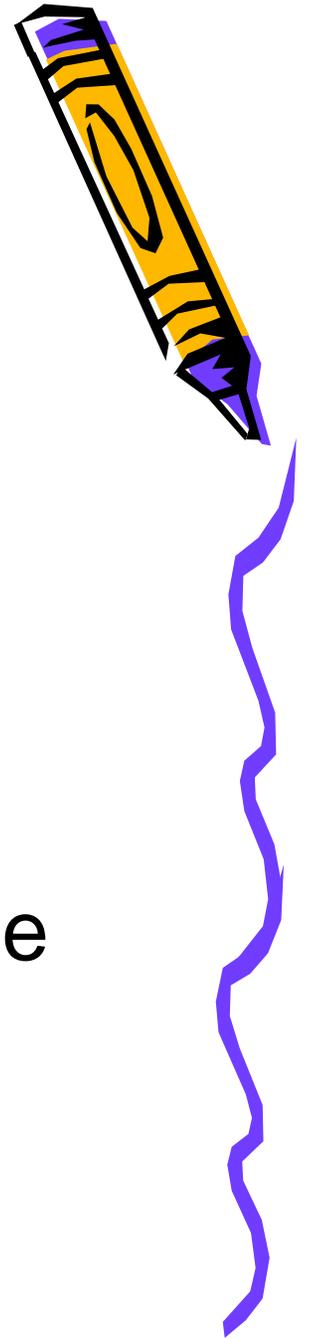
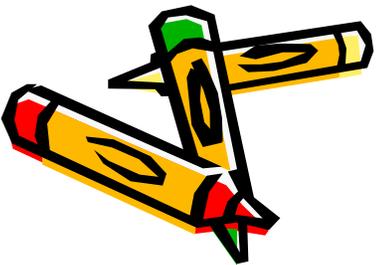
# Supply List

Please see the supply list for fifth and sixth grade.



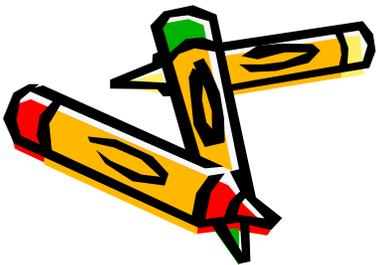
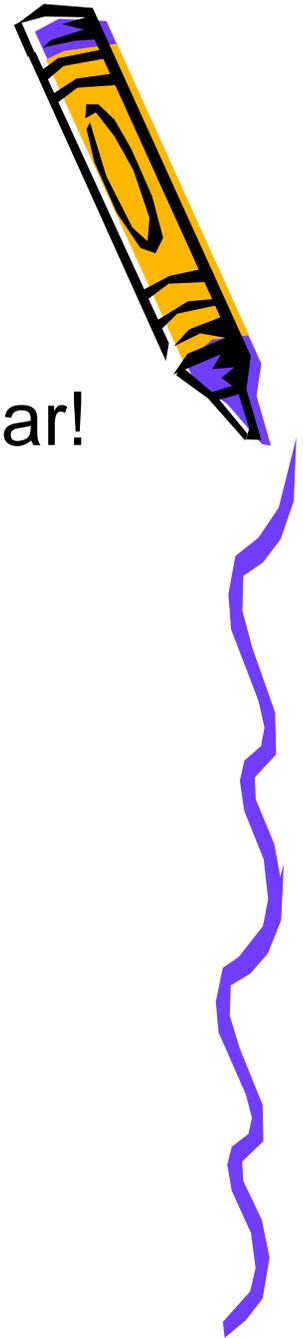
# Tardiness

- School starts at 7:55 A.M.
- If you aren't in the classroom by the time the second bell rings, please check in at the school office before coming to class.
- If you are tardy four times (unexcused), the school will contact your parents.



# Field Trips

- We have fun field trips planned for this year!
  - More Details to Come.....



Let's Have a Great Year!

