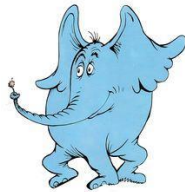# 5th GRADE ELA NEWS

CURRICULUM

Story: Poetry
Comprehension Skill: Theme
Vocab Strategy: Similes and Metaphors

March 10-14

CLASSROOM NEWS

Keep reading for the Tower of Books Challenge! You must have 15 total books read (for the year) by the end of March. Don't wait until the last minute!

SPELLING (Homophones)

1.	sweet	16.	presents
2	suite	17.	council
3.	pray	18.	counsel
4.	prey	19.	stationery
5.	poll	20.	stationary
6.	pole		Review Words:
7.	waste	21.	eruption
8.	waist	22.	forgetful
9.	manor	23.	allergic
10.	manner		Challenge Words:
11.	pier	24.	kernel
12.	peer	25.	colonel
13.	currant		**Spelling Test -**
14.	current		**Thursday,**
15.	presence		**March 13**

SPECIALS

Monday - Day 3
Tuesday - Day 4
Wednesday - Day 5
Thursday - Day 6
Friday - No School!

IMPORTANT DATES

- Elementary Talent Show – Thursday, March 13

- No School for Students – Friday, March 14

- PTO Pierogi Orders DUE – March 26th

Homophones are tricky! Here are sentences to use while you practice.

Hint: I will use the same sentences on the spelling test!

1. sweet - The orange tasted <u>sweet</u>.
2. suite - Our hotel room was a <u>suite</u>.
3. pray - We decided to <u>pray</u> for rain.
4. prey - The badger let his <u>prey</u> escape.
5. poll - I took a <u>poll</u> of student opinions.
6. pole - The flag hung on a <u>pole</u>.
7. waste - Let's not <u>waste</u> any time.
8. waist - These slacks are too tight around the <u>waist</u>.
9. manor - The <u>manor</u> house was grand.
10. manner - Jay's <u>manner</u> of speaking is formal.
11. pier - The boat docked at the <u>pier</u>.
12. peer - Hector is my <u>peer</u>.
13. currant - A <u>currant</u> is a kind of berry.
14. current - The <u>current</u> carried the boat.
15. presence - The <u>presence</u> of friends is comforting.
16. presents - Aunt Beth sends us <u>presents</u>.
17. council - The town <u>council</u> meets today.
18. counsel - Her <u>counsel</u> is fair and wise.
19. stationery - Mom writes letters on colorful <u>stationery</u>.
20. stationary - The guard was <u>stationary</u>.
21. kernel - Every <u>kernel</u> of the popcorn popped.
22. colonel (*pronounced the same as #21*) - The <u>colonel</u> gave strict orders.