



# Lapham Legend

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## Math:

GEOMETRY will be our math focus until winter break. We will study the concepts of: Polygons, Quadrilaterals, Triangles, Angles, points, lines, rays, parallel, intersecting lines, perpendicular lines.

## YMCA CAMP

**DUNCAN:** Despite the extremely windy and cold weather conditions, our class had a wonderful time at camp this week. Both the indoor and outdoor activities were fun and focused on the students being able to communicate effectively, problem solve and work together. It was great to see them brainstorm ideas and then put the ideas into action! The class worked VERY well together as they climbed through obstacle courses, across planks, hung in perfect balance while singing, and getting marbles through VERY long mazes! I was very impressed with the organization of the multicultural staff at Camp Duncan and the facility. To look for further programming for your child check out: [www.ymcacaduncan.org](http://www.ymcacaduncan.org). Thank you SO much to our parent volunteers, Mrs. Masa and Mrs. Lang!!

**Writing:** This week in writing we have focused on using ADJECTIVES and word choice to make our words as effective and interesting as possible!

## Kenya Connect:

Our Kenya Connect service learning project is about to get REALLY exciting! On Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup> we will have a CELEBRATE KENYA morning. We will study experience African games, dance, literature, clothing and the people of Africa. We will also see pictures and hear stories from Mrs. Hurt about her experiences travelling there. The deadline for Kenya Connect donations has been extended to Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. If at all possible to have donations in by then it would be wonderful. We will be announcing the total number of pages read by Shiesher Fifth Graders and the total amount of money raised for Kenya Connect on Thursday at our celebration assembly.

**READING:** This week we heard oral presentations from partners who read a section of The Travel Guide to Colonial Times. The students worked hard to teach us what they learned about life back in the early 1700's. The students focused on maintaining eye contact, speaking loud and clear and at an appropriate rate for their oral presentations. What an essential life skill!

**GAUNTLET:** We had our first trimester gauntlet prize drawings on Wednesday. Thank you so much for all of your contributions! We were able to give away 12 prizes and had 4 winners from our class.

## IMPORTANT DATES:

- December 5<sup>th</sup>: Kenya Connect Monies Due
- Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>: The Biography Gauntlet! Have your biographies read by December 8<sup>th</sup> in order to participate!
- Monday, December 19<sup>th</sup>: COLONIAL DAY (more information coming soon!)
- Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>: Winter Party
- December 21<sup>st</sup>: first day of winter break