

5TH GRADE NEWSLETTER

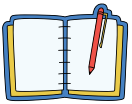
MARCH 2025

Note from Teachers

As we move into March, we appreciate your continued support! Fifth grade teachers remain excited as we continue implementing "PRODUCTIVE STRUGGLE" in our learning opportunities. Therefore, our students are developing grit, stamina and creative problem solving. With that being said, our instructional practice is deliberate, purposeful, and systematic, requiring focused attention, with the specific goal of improving our scholars' performance. Our scholars should be able to sustain reading texts for up to 30 minutes and recall the information read. This will build stamina for the longer reads our scholars will encounter in middle school.

Complete your scholar's
MIDDLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION
by **MAY 2025**

5th Grade Team



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

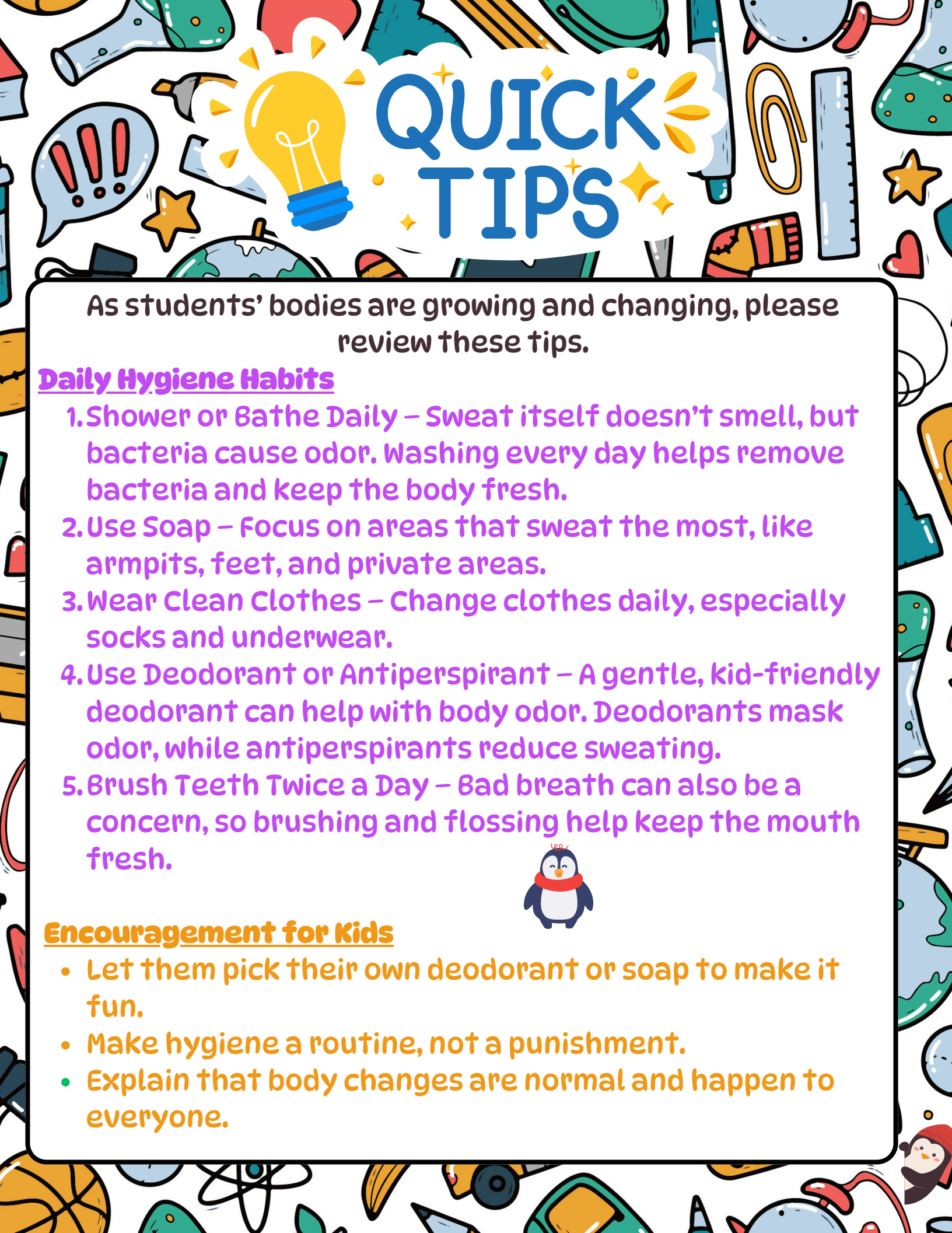
Angie V.	3/7
Abdallah	3/11
Mustafa	3/15
Keyla	3/19
Precious	3/22



Save the Date

- **3/5** Full day
- **3/11** Progress reports released online
- **3/11-12** MISA Testing
- **3/30** Last Day of Ramadan
- **3/31** Eid al-Fitr
NO SCHOOL





QUICK TIPS

As students' bodies are growing and changing, please review these tips.

Daily Hygiene Habits

1. Shower or Bathe Daily – Sweat itself doesn't smell, but bacteria cause odor. Washing every day helps remove bacteria and keep the body fresh.
2. Use Soap – Focus on areas that sweat the most, like armpits, feet, and private areas.
3. Wear Clean Clothes – Change clothes daily, especially socks and underwear.
4. Use Deodorant or Antiperspirant – A gentle, kid-friendly deodorant can help with body odor. Deodorants mask odor, while antiperspirants reduce sweating.
5. Brush Teeth Twice a Day – Bad breath can also be a concern, so brushing and flossing help keep the mouth fresh.



Encouragement for Kids

- Let them pick their own deodorant or soap to make it fun.
- Make hygiene a routine, not a punishment.
- Explain that body changes are normal and happen to everyone.

A PEEK AT OUR MONTH

READING

This month:

Reading: Between the Glacier and the Sea: The Alaska Earthquake (video)

Hurricanes: The Science Behind Killer Storms

Spelling Test Wednesday, March 4th.

Words: technology, observant, survivor, bravery, machinery, believer, contestant, narrator

Please ensure scholars are completing i-Ready lessons at home and completing homework assignments in preparation for MCAP.

MATH

This month, our scholars will work on:

- **Multiplying fractions by whole numbers and**
- **Multiplying fractions by fractions.**

As we prepare for MCAP in April, continue to ensure students are using **Dreambox** and **Boddle** to get practice.

Social Studies

This month, we will answer the following questions:

- How did the country and Maryland emerge from Reconstruction?
- Do the benefits of post-Civil War industrialization outweigh the costs?
- How have people supported and expanded freedom for everyone?

Students can access the following website through Clever, **IXL** to review social studies standards.

SCIENCE

This month we are discovering that:

- Interactions that exist between living organisms and water sources found in their ecosystems
- Where on Earth water can be found and the importance of conserving our freshwater resources.

MISA Test on March 11th & 12th

STEM Fair Projects are happening.

They may access **BOOM CARD & IXL** website to review science standards.

Health

This month we will **identify the major organs of the respiratory system, describe what they do, and learn how to love our lungs.**