4th/5th Grade Writing Club Dates
Time: 8:30AM-9:15AM
Please do not send your child before 8:30AM.

Thursday, Sept. 26th
Thursday, Oct. 10th
Thursday, Oct. 17th
Thursday, Oct. 24th
Thursday, Oct. 31st
*Monday, Nov. 4th
Thursday, Nov. 7th
*Tuesday, Nov. 12th
*Tuesday, Nov. 19th
Thursday, Nov. 21st
Thursday, Dec. 5th

Thursday, Jan. 9th
Thursday, Jan. 16th
Thursday, Jan. 23rd
Thursday, Feb. 6th
Thursday, Feb. 20th
Thursday, March 5th
Thursday, March 12th
Thursday, March 19th
Thursday, March 26th
Thursday, April 16th
Thursday, April 23rd
Thursday, May 7th
Thursday, May 14th
Thursday, May 21st
Thursday, May 29th

November is National Novel Writing Month
NaNoWriMo Write-In
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25™
5:30-7:30 pm Greenfield Library
4th/5th Grade Writing Club

If you HATE writing, read this:

If you HATE writing, this is the club for you! What? I know... sounds crazy, but it’s true. Do you hate trying to get started on a writing assignment? Do you think that the first sentence you write has to be perfect before you can move on? Do you freeze up when you get a writing prompt because you can’t think of what to write? Do you hate spelling? This club will help. We will focus on writing the way real, published authors write. Try a couple of our first meetings and see what happens. (By the way, did you know that you don’t have to be a good speller to be a good writer?) So, if you want a new way to unlock your imagination and get the cool ideas and pictures that are inside your head, down on paper, come join us.

If you LOVE writing, read this:

For those of you who LOVE writing, this is the club for you. We will focus on creative writing by participating in National Novel Writing Month in November. Go to https://ywp.nanowrimo.org/ to find out more about this creative, energetic program. (Parents, you can participate in the adult version at nanowrimo.org) We will also work on our school newspaper, The Dragon Dispatch. The goal of this club is to have fun with writing!

A little bit about Mrs. Lee, Writing Club Sponsor

I have a love/hate relationship with writing. I see writing as a puzzle, just waiting for me to put it together in such a way that allows my reader to see a picture. I hate changing my writing after I’ve written it, but I know that in order to be a good writer, change HAS to happen or the writing will not get better. As a former 6th grade English teacher, I LOVE getting students to see how much their writing improves when they start writing like a real writer...not a student learning how to write to a prompt. (Of course, students need to know this skill, but that’s not the purpose of this club. Surprisingly, after this club, answering writing prompts will get easier.) For about 8 years, I wrote a column for Richmond Parents Monthly called “The Frumpy Zone.” Writing this column taught me how to write a humorous essay in 450 words. In order to do this, I had to learn the TRUE meaning of REVISION and making every word count. I currently write a blog for Knowledge Quest, the professional journal of the American Association of School Librarians. Let’s get ready for some writing fun!

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Writing Club Permission Slip Clip and return to Mrs. Lee by Wed. Sept.25th

Name ____________________________________ Teacher ______________________________

Bring a notebook and pen/pencil to all meetings. (I have a few extra if you need one.)

I give my child permission to attend the 4th/5th Grade Greenfield Writing Club for the 2019-20 school year.

Parent Signature __________________________________________ Date _______________