



November 14th, 2016

- Please make sure your child(ren) have earbuds or headphones to stay at school for their iPads.
- **Please be sure to check Powerschool or Edmodo for your homework posts.**
- **Late or missing homework needs to be handed in November 23rd, as well as any quiz and test re-takes, the Wednesday before Thanksgiving weekend for credit.**

CALENDAR REMINDERS

11/23- Last day for late and missing work, quiz and test re-takes. Have your child see each teacher AFTER SCHOOL before the due date.

11/23- Noon dismissal- Thanksgiving break

12/2- End of Fall trimester

6th Grade News

Classroom News

Thanks, 6th grade, for doing a great job hosting the prayer service last week.

Don't forget the goal of at least 35 cans of food per person so the 6th grade can reach our goal of 1,000 cans.

Course Updates:

Language Arts - We will be completing our first novel by the end of the week. Along with completing it, we will look at the definition of theme, and find it in the novel. The will also create a book report for their overall assessment on Google Slides. **By next Monday, they need to have their "Green Book" activities completed along with their reader's responses(Gathering Blue).** In English, we will look at verbs and the different types. Please see above for the reminder on missing work. Have you child see me after school for any questions or needs for retakes.

Social Studies –

The 6th graders are creating advertisements for the Sumerian City-States.

7TH GRADE NEWS

Classroom News

Reminder: missing work is due by next Wednesday at the latest

Please help support hungry people in our community by sending in cans for our canned food drive with your student.

Course Updates:

Language Arts– After watching the movie, *Charly*, we are creating an outline for a compare and contrast essay. This is preparing us for their first major essay. Please see the above reminder for missing work. Advise your child to see me after school for missing work.

Social Studies –

The 7th graders are exploring Ancient China to gather information to create a travel brochure. This week the students will be comparing and contrasting the Song and Ming Dynasties.

Science – We will wrap up our study of cell division and DNA this week with a test over Chapter 2 in our

8TH GRADE NEWS

Classroom News

Please note the above reminder for missing work. Advise your child to meet with me after school to arrange any missing assignments. A lot of students do not have ear buds. Please make sure they do for health reasons as they have to borrow the extras in my room.

Course Updates

LA: This week and next we will focus on high school prep(short answer and language skills). If your child will not be attending a Catholic school in the area. I will have a different assignment for them!

Social Studies – The 8th graders will have a map quiz on the 13 Colonies on Thursday Nov. 17 and begin to explore the reasons behind the American Revolution.

Science – We are beginning our study of the atom and its structure. What determines an element? How are elements grouped and organized in the periodic table? Atomic models are due Dec 2, the last day of

Science- We will be having a

test over chapter 1 and 2
text on Wednesday.

test over 2 in the last day of
the trimester. and I am

test Friday over Chapter 1- Living Things- in our text. Students will be able to make a 3x5 notecard to use on the test. We will begin practicing test taking skills in class



this week.

Math - Continuing from last week, we are still working on building fluency with decimal operations and will investigate some methods for making our decimal math more efficient. Students will have a quiz on decimal operations this Wednesday.

Religion/Health- Our Faithbook pages are on display in the science lab- great job! We have a very creative and spiritual class. We will continue learning about the prophets of the Old Testament and how they contributed to the Bible. In health class, we will be continuing our look at food labels and what they tell us in order to make wise choices.

Español:
We finished talking about

Mini-lab on Friday....



Math Velazquez - Students have a quiz on simplifying Algebraic Expressions this Wednesday. Next, we will begin to investigate the steps to solving multi-step equations.

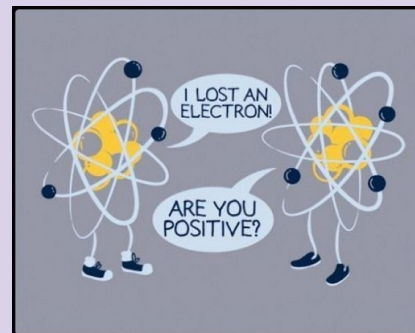
Math Drenner - We are multiplying and dividing rational numbers and how they are used in daily life. Quiz Thursday over operations with rational numbers.

Religion - We are continuing to study Jesus' two natures: fully divine and fully human.

Health- The boys will continue a 7th grade leadership group for one month with Mrs. Borne. The girls will continue the mindfulness through yoga class. This will be wrapping up this week.

Español:
We finished talking about Nicaraguan elections and how they were different this year than the previous elections. We made some comparisons with US elections, as well. We took a quiz over Dia de los Muertos and the elections. We are starting to talk about some common -ar verbs, the verb "gustar" and how to use indirect pronouns.

looking forward to decorating the lab with them.



Math 8 Accelerated: Students have a quiz on solving inequalities on Wednesday. Then, we will be investigating what it means to have an inequality in two variables and how we represent their solutions.

Math 8: Students will be taking their Linear Equation Unit Test on Tuesday. Then, we will dive into studying complicated equations and the steps for solving them.

Religion:

Health- We will continue discussing friends and peer pressure. Last week we defined: A. Acquaintances B. Close friends and C. Best friends. We discussed high school and the types of friends they need to locate in order to maintain their values and morals.

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