



November 28th, 2016

- Please make sure your child(ren) have earbuds or headphones to stay at school for their iPads.
- Students should make sure they have pencils and pens!

CALENDAR REMINDERS

- 12/2- End of Fall trimester
Half Day
- 12/15- Christmas Program
1:30 & 7PM
- 12/16- Noon Dismissal- begin
Christmas Break
- 01/3 - School Resumes
- 01/31- Middle School Science Fair
8:30-10:15

6th Grade News

Classroom News

Last week of the trimester!
Half day Friday! First day of Winter (the winter solstice) is Wednesday, Dec. 21st..... The longest night of the year....

Course Updates:

Language Arts - We will be learning how to annotate and close read non fiction articles. We will know how to take Cornell Notes based on our annotations from the articles.

Spelling only this week from Unit 1 Vocabulary words OR from the Spelling Bee list if your child prefers.(First 13 words)- Test Friday.

Social Studies - Students are analyzing the Code of Hammurabi and starting to create their own civilization. Test corrections due Thursday: Dec. 1.

Science- You should see what is growing in the lab! Our culture swabs are looking very colorful....

Students will be given their science fair worksheets this week to fill out as we walk our way through the scientific process.....

7TH GRADE NEWS

Classroom News

Let's keep up our focus on school and respectful behavior as we enter the busy and exciting holiday season.

Course Updates:

Language Arts- We will be asking ourselves the essential question for the week: How do different mediums affect reader perceptions while reading the play and eventually watching the story, "A Christmas Carol". Spelling only this week from Unit 4 Vocab words OR from Spelling Bee list(15 words)-Test Friday

Social Studies - Students are going to begin to create a travel brochure for Ancient China. Test corrections due Thursday: Dec. 1.

Science - Students will be given their science fair worksheets this week to fill out as we walk our way through the scientific process.....

Science fair is January 31st. We will continue to look at the theories of genetics and how likely an organism is to

8TH GRADE NEWS

Classroom News: The high school placement tests are coming up quickly. Make sure your child eats a healthy breakfast and gets at least 8 hours of sleep the night before the test. Good luck!

Course Updates

Language Arts: This week will be focusing on the HSPT. We will learn strategies on test taking skills and complete some practice samples in class. We will also be practicing for the 15 minute essay question. Spelling only this week from Unit 2 Vocab words or Spelling Bee words(20 words)-Test Friday.

Social Studies - This week the students are going to create a summary and analysis of the news from the past Trimester. Test corrections due Thursday: Dec. 1.

Science - We will be learning more about the make-up of the periodic table and what things the groups or "families" have in common- just like real families, since they look and act similarly....

Atomic models and reports are due this Friday, as is the question that will drive their science fair

Science fair is January 31st.

Math -

We are working on efficient long division this week using place value reasoning and estimation. Then, we will begin our study of number theory and look into prime factorizations. On Thursday, students will have a quiz on whole number and decimal operations.

Religion/Health-

This week, we focus on stress and the affects it has on the body, and also some ways to cope with it.



In religion, we will be looking at seasons of the liturgical year and especially the season of Advent.

inherit a trait from its parents.

Math Velazquez - We are continuing to work on writing and solving linear equations. This week, students will be understanding how to solve more and more complicated equations.

Math Drenner - We will be solving 1 and 2 step equations with rational numbers. Plan on a quiz Thursday over sections 2.7 and 2.8.

Religion -This week we are continuing our mini-project: found poetry. Students are cutting out phrases from the book of Matthew to create a poem about Jesus' nature as fully divine and fully human. Next, we will focus on the Beatitudes and prepare for the Advent Season.

Health-

project. Last one!

Math 8 Accelerated: This week, we are starting a new unit: Systems of Linear Equations and Inequalities. We will start by working with word problems and graphing to figure out what is means to solve a system of equations and what a solution looks like. We will also explore what happens when there is no solution or are infinite solutions.

Math 8:

We are continuing our study of solving linear equations. We have been working on building equations so we can understand how they are created to better understand how to solve or "undo" equations. This week, we will work on understanding how to solve more and more complicated equations.

Religion:
Health-
Español: