

## February 20th, 2017

### CALENDAR REMINDERS



- Please be sure to check Powerschool this week and sign the progress report form that comes home Monday.
- Please make sure your child is in uniform- if they are cold, they should be wearing a uniform sweatshirt.
- 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!
- Bundle! It is so cold.....

- 2-23 ½ 8th grade to Reed College
- 2-24 NET retreat 7th & 8th grade
- 3-2 7th & 8th go to St. Mary's to see "The Sound of Music"
- 3-3 9 students attend the Life Saver Retreat (8th grade)
- 3-4 School Auction at Embassy Suites
- 3-16 6th to vocations rally @ St. Anthony's
- 3-17 Last day of Winter trimester

#### **Find your homework assignments:**

- Mrs. Ballou- Edmodo
- Mrs. Velazquez- Edmodo
- Ms. O'Dell- Edmodo
- Mrs. Drenner- Powerschool/Edmodo
- Maestro H- Powerschool/Edmodo
- Mrs. Farrow- Edmodo

### 6th Grade News

#### **Classroom News**

We have some new pets in the science lab- 3 female rats- Thelma, Louise and Bonnie join us- they were adopted, coming from a former CTK student.



Find assignments on Powerschool or Edmodo for Mrs. Drenner's classes.....

#### **Course Updates:**

##### **Language Arts -**

**English:** The students will have a Verb test on Friday of this week. Review will be all week.

### 7TH GRADE NEWS

#### **Classroom News**

If your child has not brought in their field trip permission slip for "Sound of Music", please do so ASAP!

#### **Course Updates:**

Language Arts- Their final draft for Teens and Technology will be due Wednesday. They have a Verb test Friday of this week. For reading, they have begun *The Pearl*. They are reading in literature groups.

**Social Studies -Students will wrap up their PowerPoints on Middle Ages monasteries and begin to present. Chapter 18 test re-takes are Feb. 20-25!**

**Science -** We will complete our unit on modern genetics this week with a test over Chapter 3 on Wednesday. Did your student talk

### 8TH GRADE NEWS

#### **Classroom News:**

Thanks for a great Valentine's breakfast! If your child has not brought in their field trip permission slip for "Sound of Music", please do so ASAP!

#### **Course Updates**

##### **Language Arts:**

**8A,B:** They have begun reading *That was Then, This is Now* by the same author, S.E. Hinton. They will then compare different texts from the same author.

In English class, we are working on the rules for capitalization and punctuation(Unit 5).

##### **Social Studies -**

Students are continuing to create their Recipes for a Revolution; they need to work on the second part (steps). Students are going to finish researching



**Reading:** Each night your child is responsible for reading some pages in Wonder and coming prepared to class with A. Literature circle roles or B. Ready to share with their group what they read.

**Social Studies** - The students are exploring the foundations of Judaism and its impact on the Middle East.

**Science-**

We will finish our unit on protists, algae and fungi this week with a test over Chapter 3 on Friday.

**Math -**

Students will be working on understanding how to add and subtract Integers and how to represent this concept visually.

**Religion/Health-**

Last week, we watched the documentary "Happy", in which the filmmaker investigated over several years the concept of happiness- what makes people happy? What is happiness? Are there things we can do to increase our happiness?

We continue learning about different Catholic Charities and where they do their work and what their missions are and when they began and who founded them and .....

We will be learning about health and our environment this week, and learning about some really harmful cover ups that have happened over the years that affected citizens around the world.

**Español:** We are working on conjugating regular present

to you about stem cell research? We have been discussing the ethical side of research and will continue the debate this week. What about cloning? Is it ok to clone yourself?

**Math Velazquez** - This week, we will be understanding where key circle relationships come from and will apply the formulas to solve real-life problems.

**Math Drenner** - We will focus on ratio and proportion. This will have us exploring ratios in similar figures, scale models & more...

**Religion** - The Students' final draft of their Living Out Christ's Mission Project (this is instead of a unit test) essay is due this Thursday. We will be working on peer editing this Tuesday. We will continue with community building on Wednesdays and will wrap up our study of Jesus as a healer.

**Health**-Students will begin to present their health projects.

**Español:** We are working on conjugating regular present tense verbs that end in -AR. We also talked about our school schedules. It will take time, but we are getting better at using these conjugations and we will be doing more writing.

about post American Revolutionary groups. Presentations start late this week.

**Science-**

Thank you to all of the people who volunteered to drive this week on our field trip to Reed College- See you at 8:30 on Thursday morning.

We will continue to learn about radioactivity and how it is used in science, medicine and industry in a variety of ways.

Math 8 Accelerated:

Students will be investigating and applying multiplication of binomials and discovering patterns for special products.

Math 8:

We will be applying our understanding of solving systems of equations to solve real-life problems and will prepare for a unit test next week.

Religion: We will continue to learn about Martin Luther and the Protestant Reformation. Students will begin a project on Religious Communities that will be due before the end of the trimester. On Friday, 8th grade will attend a retreat by NET (National Evangelization Teams) titled "One Church."

Health- We have begun to discuss what a healthy relationship is and how to find one. This week we will discuss love versus infatuation.

Español: We are working on conjugating regular present tense





