

April 3rd, 2017



- Please be sure to check Powerschool this week and sign the progress report form that came home last week.
- 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!

CALENDAR REMINDERS

4-4 Penance Service 9:30
4-12 The Grotto field trip
4-16 Easter Sunday

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

Welcome back! I hope you all had a fun and restful week off.

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

Course Updates:

Language Arts -

Students will be researching the Taliban and Afghanistan during class and in Library class. They will begin reading *The Breadwinner* this week. Vocab from novel to be worked on throughout the next weeks.

Social Studies - Student will have an India geography quiz on Thursday. Study guides went out Monday and are on Edmodo!

Science- We begin our study of seed plants this week- What characteristics do all seed plants share? We will be sprouting beans this week and taking a closer look at some of the seeds that

7TH GRADE NEWS

Classroom News

Students will engage in lenten activities this week with reconciliation and living stations of the cross.

Course Updates:

Language Arts-

Students will be discussing what a utopia is and reading *The Giver* by Lois Lowry.

Vocabulary from novel to be worked on throughout the week.

Social Studies -Students are starting to explore the Renaissance and trying to determine if the rebirth was inevitable.

Science - Thank you to all of our driver/chaperones that made our OMSI field trip a great time! We can only have those great experiences with your help, and we are grateful. We are learning about the largest organ in our bodies- our skin- this week. Test Friday over Chapter 1.

Math Velazquez - We are diving into our study of exponents. We will be using expanded form to

8TH GRADE NEWS

Classroom News:

Congratulations to those accepted to local high schools! Job well done :)

Course Updates

Language Arts:

8A,B: We will be discussing the Holocaust while reading *The Devil's Arithmetic*. Vocab from novel to be worked on throughout the weeks.

Social Studies -Students are taking a quiz on Chapters 7 & 8 (Articles of Confederation and U.S. Constitution) on Thursday. Study guides went out on Monday and are posted on Edmodo. We will begin to prepare for Capitol Day in May- be looking for an e-mail from me later this week at the field trip.

Science-

We will be learning about the unique way that metal bonds together, and how those bonds give metal its properties. Test Friday over Chapter 1.

we eat every day.



Math -

This week, we are diving into Algebra as we learn about simplifying expressions and how to translate between a verbal expression and an algebraic expression.

Religion/Health-

We will be attending a penance service on Tuesday, as well as an opportunity to receive the sacrament of reconciliation.

What is an examination of conscience and how does it help us in our quest to become more spiritual people? How was Jesus' 40 days in the desert like reconciliation?

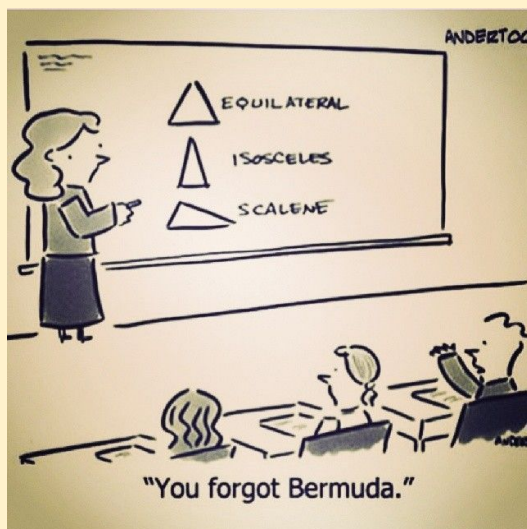
For health, we will be learning about how different drugs affect our bodies.

Español: We had fewer classes in the week before break due to a half day and a field trip. We are talking a bit about seasons and what activities students would do in different seasons. We are writing and sharing short paragraphs based on what we did over the spring break, but we are writing it in the present tense.

investigate and figure out the properties of exponents.

Math Drenner -

We continue to learn about the different classifications of triangles- what they have in common and how they are different. We will also be using the Pythagorean Theorem to find the lengths of missing sides of right triangles.



Religion -

Health-We are discussing the question "How much control do you have over your body?" We are applying this to the systems that were studied before break and then look at it through the lense of the reproductive system. Look for an e-mail from me this week about 7th Grade Sexual Reproductive Education.

Español: We only had one class in the week before break due to a half day and a field trip. We are talking a bit about seasons and what activities students would do in different seasons. We will talk a bit about weather as well. We are writing short paragraphs based on what we did over the spring break, but we are writing it in the present tense since we have not learned the

Name's Bond, Ionic Bond.



Math 8 Accelerated: We will be applying our understanding of factoring to help us solve Quadratic Equations. We will learn multiple methods including: factoring and square roots this week.

Math 8:

We are continuing to apply exponent understanding by focusing on Scientific Notation and how to perform operations on numbers in Scientific Notation.

Religion: We will have Reconciliation with Father this Thursday and will use class time Monday to prepare. On Friday we will have our annual Called to Protect lesson on Human Dignity.

Health-The class has been working together in groups on peer pressure topics (tobacco, hard drugs, alcohol, and prescription drugs). They will present this Tuesday to the class.

Español: We are discussing food vocabulary. Students are working on a menu for a restaurant that they are

past tense.

opening hypothetically. We are also starting to practice using our notes to determine the correct conjugations for irregular verbs in the present tense.