

## Somewhere in the Middle May 30th-June 2nd, 2017

### Funeral Monday, 6-5 Please bring cold lunch

- 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!
- Lots of 8th grade events coming up- please watch your e-mails :)



#### CALENDAR REMINDERS

- 5-29 Memorial Day- No School
- 5-30 8th grade retreat
- 5-31 MS to LaSalle Physics Fair
- 6-5 Large funeral; bring cold lunch
- 6-5 last day for 8th to hand in missing work
- 6-8 8th grade field trip
- 6-9 8th Baccalaureate Mass & Service Awards 9am
- 6-9 6th/7th all missing work due
- 6-12 Last day for 8th grade
- 6-21 Last day of school

#### 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

Safety Patrol this week is .- Will, Cade and Jake- thanks, guys!

Cold lunch this Monday.

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

##### Course Updates:

##### Language Arts -

**Speeches:** Poetry (and figurative language) will continue for the rest of the month. The students will be creating their own figurative language booklets as we learn about each type of language. Be on the lookout on edmodo for their figurative language quiz!

##### Social Studies -Star The

#### 7TH GRADE NEWS

##### Classroom News

##### Course Updates:

##### Language Arts-

The students will begin knowing and putting into use figurative language terms for poetry. More poems will be created by them and analyzed as the final weeks go by. They will have a figurative language assessment on their terms they found probably next week.

**Social Studies** -Final topic of study for 7th grade is the Scientific Revolution and Enlightenment! Students will continue to create a front page newspaper covering all news events from their Current Event

#### 8TH GRADE NEWS

##### Classroom News:

VSP Day this Friday morning. They will have a normal week except for Tuesday(Retreat Day). **Last day for missing work is June 5th!!!**

##### **COLD LUNCH THIS MONDAY DUE TO A FUNERAL!!!!**

##### Course Updates

##### Language Arts:

**8A, B:** Poetry has begun, and they are creating their own poetry books as an 8th grade project/tradition. They will have a poetry assessment on their vocab terms on Friday.

##### Social Studies -

Congressional Hearing Capitol

students will continue to be reenacting the Iliad and Odyssey by Homer. Also we will spend this weeks focus on checking PowerSchool and making to do lists if there is missing work.

**Science-** We will be working this week on creating Newton scooters-a vehicle that can travel at least 1.5 meters on its own power. Start saving your pizza sized boxes for our next project.... Solar ovens! Wednesday, we will be walking to LaSalle to visit the annual Freshman Physics Fair.

**Math -** We will start the week reviewing what we learned about inequalities, will have a quick check-in on this concept and then will start reviewing for our unit test next Monday on equations and inequalities.

**Religion/Health-** We will be learning this week about the Pentecost and why it is celebrated every year around the world.



We will continue to learn about the male and female reproductive systems and how

Journals--**NEW DUE DATE** due **JUNE 7!**

**Science -** This week, we learn about the respiratory system and how it functions. What is larynx and how do vocal chords work? Wednesday, we will be walking to LaSalle to visit the annual Freshman Physics Fair.

**Math Velazquez -** We will extend our understanding of proportional relationships to lines and linear equations as we investigate slope and how to calculate it.

**Math Drenner -** We will be investigating data sets this week, and calculating measures of central tendency. Mean, median and mode, oh my!

**Religion -** This week, we are focusing on God's grace and how it is a free gift for us. Students will also practice facilitating discussions through mutual invitation and will work on growing in empathy through our class circle.

**Health-Students will continue creating hygiene advertisements**

**Español:** Students are excited to present their restaurant videos this week. We have a shortened week but we will hopefully get a chance to see them all. We are also doing more work with idioms in Spanish.

Day Portfolio's **DUE FRIDAY JUNE 2** in morning homeroom. The rest of the year we will focus on the creation of political parties as the U.S. goes from Washington to Adams to Jefferson.

**Science-** We will be testing over Chapter 3 on Friday this week, acids and bases and pH. Wednesday, we will be walking to LaSalle to visit the annual Freshman Physics Fair.

**Math 8 Accelerated:** We will continue our review for a big 2-unit test next Thursday and Friday.

**Math 8:** We will continue investigating transformations in the plane in order to prove figures are congruent. This week, students will be combining transformations as they apply what they have learned so far.

**Religion:** Students are wrapping up their Vatican II webquests (due Friday) and we are beginning our last chapter of Church history focusing on the modern church!

**Health-T**We will have questions and answer times for entering high school. Anything they want to know or have anxiety about, we will discuss as a class.

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do a short unit on family  
members and students will work  
on a family tree and practice  
discussing food preferences  
about third party individuals.

Counselor Note: There have  
been some questions about a  
show on Netflix that is called 13  
Reasons Why. Some of our  
students have watched it, and I  
want parents to understand the  
content is very mature and  
deserves some informative  
education around it.

<http://ltgo.co/2pE9tlo>

<https://www.facebook.com/lifeteen/videos/10154881365317034/>

Here are a couple other good  
articles/videos that have been  
posted as discussion on the  
Archdiocese Youth Minister  
Facebook:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ngD3PtPt3ac&app=desktop>

<https://www.jedfoundation.org/13-reasons-why-talking-points/>

I am always available for support  
and questions.

- Mrs. Borne

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