



November 6, 2017

Important Links:

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IMPORTANT DATES:

11/8: 8th Gr. Field Trip to Blanchet House (leave at 10:40)

11/10: No School Day in honor of Veterans' Day

6th Grade News

Homeroom: This will be a short week! Please be aware weekly evaluation will be coming home on Thursday this week.

Language Arts: This week both groups will complete the novel Hatchet.

Social Studies: Students are finishing up our study of early hominid migration and the development of the modern human. We are having a test on this on Wednesday. Students have a study guide and may have one 3x5 (single sided) notecard to use on the test.

Science: We are concluding our unit on the inside of Earth this week and we will be finishing our children's books about the Earth and all inside of it.

Math - Team Albert: We will wrap up Chapter 5 this week. We will have a “Quest” on Thursday. This will be worth 30 points. You will be able to use your ISN for this. After your Quest on Thursday I will collect and grade your ISN’s. No school on Friday! Yay!

Math - Team Brahmagupta: The main

7th Grade News

Homeroom:

Language Arts: We will be wrapping up our study of *The Outsiders* by completing independent projects which are due Nov.16th

Social Studies: Students are finishing up chapter 13 and will have a test over the Roman Empire on Thursday of this week. There will be no current events articles due this week.

Science: We are talking about advanced genetics this week and we are having a debate about the pros and cons from everything having to do with genetic engineering, to cloning, the human genome project, and more!

Math: This week we will continue to work with generating equivalent expressions. Something I said a lot last week is we are mathematicians, not magicians, but what we are doing with this type of math may seem like magic. :) You have your service trip to Providence on Tuesday which will impact our class time a bit. We will do more review this day. No School Friday. Yay!

Technology: In our Tech Safety Unit,

8th Grade News

Homeroom: Blanchet Trip this week.
Looking forward to serving others!!

Language Arts: We will start our argumentative papers this week. We'll learn how to construct a strong five paragraph essay and how to conduct credible research to back up our claims.

Social Studies: We will be learning about Triangular Trade and how it impacted the lives of Africans who were forced into slavery as a result. We will be finishing up chapter 2 later this week, with a quiz on Monday. There will be no current events article due this week.

Science: We will be talking about chemical and physical changes and will be getting into chemical reactions. Pop quiz to come at some point this week, just a heads up.

Algebra: This week will wrap up Chapter 4: Inequalities. We will spend a couple more days practicing how to solve two-step inequalities. Our class time on Wednesday may be affected because of the service trip to Blanchet House. Your ISN is due on Tuesday for the Chapter 4 Check and your Chapter 4 Test is on Thursday.

focus of this week is to learn how to convert from decimals to fractions and fractions to decimals. For example, we will learn how $\frac{1}{2}$ is equal to 0.5. There will be a quiz on Thursday over section 6-8. You will be able to use your ISN during the quiz, you will turn in your ISN at the end of the quiz and I will grade it using the ISN rubric. If you want extra credit on the quiz, name "the Father of Algebra."

Technology: This week, we began our unit on Google Slides. Over the next month, students will be learning how to appropriately use Google Slides to present on a topic of their choosing relating to their Outdoor School Experience. They were sent home a packet this week. Please take a minute to read over it and if you have any questions, let me know.

Religion: This week we will share the "Living Saint" reports. We will also continue to explore the meaning of empathy and friendships.

we will focus on Digital Security and how to take as many precautions as possible to guard against hackers. Meanwhile, for both groups, our Cyber Safety Video proposal is due on Thur., Nov. 9 by midnight.

Religion: We are working on a Gospel Book Jacket Project that will have students research one of the Gospels, who wrote it, where it was written, and who the intended audience was. These will be due on Thursday, November 16th.

You will be able to use a 3 x 5 notecard. There will be a Math Binder check on Thursday as well. No school on Friday! Yay!

Pre-Algebra: This week we are going to make a lot of progress with understanding factors and how they help us simplify fractions. We have been simplifying fractions for years, but now we will be simplifying fractions with variables. On Wednesday, we will do STAR Progress monitoring. There will be a quiz on Chapter 4 Section 1-4 on Thursday, you will be able to use your ISN. No school on Friday! Yay!

Seminar: We'll continue our High School Admissions unit by beginning the brainstorm for our application essays. Some questions to think about: What strengths will you bring to your school? What are your biggest accomplishments so far, both academic and personal?

Religion: Looking forward to our Bible Rap Battle against the 7th grade this week. Gonna drop some knowledge bombs on peeps.

ELECTIVES

Advanced Art Mr. Davis	Creative Writing Mr. Tagorda	Genius Hour Mr. Walsh	Social Justice Ms. Gritzmacher	Spanish Señora Paz
We have begun the final unit of our class and that is the choose your own challenge portion. We have people working on things from whittling, to watercolors, to pencil shaving art. Should be quite fun.	It's our final writing piece: poetry! We'll start by looking at various types of poetry so that we can find the right type that will suit your personal writing style.	Students are finishing up their presentations this week. They will be due on November 16th. Please take a moment to have them share with you what they have learned and the Google Slides presentation!	We will continue to monitor our garden project. Also, we will discuss how a member of our community, Terrance Moses, is being recognized for his service to the city of Portland for his work with the poor in North Portland.	In addition to hearing more of the Todo Sobre Mi Proyectos, we will discuss our likes and favorite activities. Plus, we'll practice with verbs and conjugations.