weekly newsletter Sixth Grade

ELA

This week, we will focus on the 6 Traits of Writing. We will then begin our second novel, *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*. We will continue to practice reading strategies while moving through this novel.

6th grade will be reading two Fiction books in class this month. 6th graders must also read 1 Fiction and 1 Nonfiction book and pass the AR quiz with a 70% to meet their goal for September. **Reading Goal Due Date: 9/30/2024**

<u>Spelling:</u> We will begin Spelling Unit 4 on Wednesday. We are going to try to see if focusing 2 weeks on our Spelling units instead of 1 week will help allow students to allow for ample practice and to retain the information. (Wed., 9/18- Unit 4 PreTest, Wed., 10/2- Unit 4 workbook pgs. due <u>Grammar:</u> We will begin our Khan Academy "Verbs" unit. Due 9/30 by 3PM.



On Monday, we will review and practice the divisibility rules that we learned on Friday. You will need to commit these rules to memory! We will then use factor trees to find GCF and LCM. Be sure to review your notes each day!

SOCIAL STUDIES

We will learn from Unit 1: Origins of Cultures and Civilizations. We will also discuss theories associated with these early civilizations and how history is always changing based on new information in science, technology, and as we discover new potential evidence. NOTE: Our Ch. 1 test will be

NOTE: Our Ch. 1 test will be on Tues., Sept. 17th. We will begin Ch. 2 "Origins of Civilization" next.

SCIENCE

We are finished with Unit 1 of science. The students were able to learn about the human microbiome.

We will continue into our next unit, metabolism. The students will focus on how their bodies metabolism functions.

A large part of science is the 'Scientific Argumentation. There are 3 parts the students will use to prove their ideas and theories.. Claim, Evidence, and Reasoning. We will continue practicing Argumentation in our second unit.

weekly newsletter Seventh Grade

ELA

We will continue to read our novel, <u>Restart</u> by Gordon Korman. We will practice reading strategies and continue to practice vocabulary skills from the text. Make sure to bring your book back to class on the nights you bring it home!

7th grade will be reading one Fiction book in class this month. 7th graders must also read 1 Fiction and 1 Nonfiction book and pass the AR quiz with a 70% to meet their goal for September.

Reading Goal Due Date: 9/30/2024



We will be subtracting integers and rational numbers next week. Expect to spend Tuesday practicing this skill. On Thursday, 9-19, we will have a quiz over all the lessons in Chapter 1 (1.1-1.5). Please use all of your resources to study!

SOCIAL STUDIES

<u>Civics</u>: We will continue diving into Topic 1 (aka Chapter 1), which has us looking at:

-the origins and purposes of government

-the types of government, ideas about rights and natural law

-the nature of American colonial government

-and the causes of the American Revolution.

Unlike what I posted last week, we will not be ready for our Topic 1 test until the following week!

*Students will need to be sure to complete daily assignments and once graded, keep these to review as they study for their exam over Topic 1.

SCIENCE

<u>Science</u>: We have started our second unit. Plate Motion. We are investigating the movement of of plate

tectonics.

<u>STEM</u>: We will continue our Catapult Slides. Students researched catapults used in the past and created their own catapult to test.

<u>Coding</u>: Students will be completing lessons 27-48. Grades are taken on completion of lessons and scores received on the lesson.



weekly newsletter Eighth Grade

ELA

This week, we will continue reading <u>Roll of Thunder, Hear</u> <u>My Cry.</u> We will continue to learn about the context of this novel in our country's history. We will be practicing reading strategies and focusing on vocabulary strategies in the following week.

Make sure you bring your book back to class on the nights you take it home!

8th grade will be reading 1 Fiction book in class this month. 8th graders must also read 1 Fiction and 1 Nonfiction book and pass the AR quiz with a 70% to meet their goal for September.

Reading Goal Due Date: 9/30/2024

<u>Create:</u> We will begin developing our Drafting phase of our Shark tank Pitches. Students will draft a Prototype and descriptions of their product.



We will continue to solve equations with variables on both sides and rewriting equations and formulas. Quiz 1.3-1.4 planned for Wednesday, 9-18. Plan to review Chapter 1 on Thursday with the test following the next week.

SOCIAL STUDIES

American History:

We will continue learning from Ch. 2 "European Exploration of the Americas". Study the textbook, quiz pages, notes, etc. to prepare for the upcoming test (to be determined).

Geography/Current Events:

Students will continue with a focus of "regions", as well as atlas & mapping skills.

Students will continue to pay attention to world news events in Current Events.

SCIENCE

We have started Unit 2, Force and Motion. Students are investigating how objects will react with forces are exerted upon them.

Students should make sure they are completing their questions on Amplify throughout the lesson.



Calendar

September-

9/16-9/19 STAR Testing Week (English) 9/16 Bookmobile visits Avenue City 9/19 1st Quarter Progress Reports sent home 9/19 Red Wheel technology fundraiser ends 9/20 No School 9/24 Culver's Night 5-8 PM, MS staff will be working 9/25 See You at the Pole (aka Pray at the Pole) event. Interested students/guardians meet and pray at the flagpole in front of ACES. 7:45 AM-8AM. 9/30 Bookmobile visits Avenue City 9/30 Reading Goals Due October-10/2 School Picture Day Culver's Night 10/2 School Custodian Appreciation Day 09-24-24 10/3 Red Wheel pick up 10/21 Bookmobile visits Avenue City 10/22 PTO Chilli Supper and New Gym Grand Opening Come out and enjoy a . 10/22 ACES b.b game HOME vs. Union Star @5:30 PM meal from 5:00-8:00 PMI 10/24 Early Out @12:50 PM ACES will receive a . 10/24 Parent/Teacher Conferences percentage of all the sales 10/25 No School between this time frame. 10/28 Enrichment Field Trip Drive up counts 10/28 ACES b.b. game AWAY vs. South Holt @5:30PM MS core teachers will be . 10/31 Reading Goals due working 10/31 Costume Parade Mrs. Sigrist will be . Novemberoffering bonus points for 11/4 Bookmobile visits Avenue City math class! See a staff 11/5 ACES b.b. game HOME @5:30PM member that night to 11/7 Picture Retake Day 11/7 ACES b.b. game AWAY vs. Platte Valley @5:30 PM receive the bonus points coupon. If you go through 11/11 Veterans Day the drive through, bring in 11/11 ACES b.b. game AWAY vs. Stewartsville @5:30 PM your receipt on 11/12 PTO meeting @3:30 PM 11/12 ACES b.b. game AWAY vs. SMS @5:30 PM Wednesday and give to Mrs. Sigristi 11/14 ACES b.b. game HOME vs. East Buchanan @5:30 PM Hope to see you there 11/15 2nd Quarter Progress Reports sent home 11/18 Enrichment Field Trip 11/18 Bookmobile visits Avenue City 11/18- Nov. 23 ACES b.b. in Ravenwood Tournament 11-19 Culver's Night 5-8 PM 11/25 ACES b.b. AWAY vs. St. Joseph Christian @ 4:30 PM 11/26 ACES b.b. HOME vs. St. Joseph Catholic Schools @4:30 PM 11/26 Reading Goals Due 11/27 Early Release 11/28-12/2 No School- Thanksgiving break December-12/12 Winter Program 12/16 Bookmobile visits Avenue City 12/20 Reading Goals Due 12/20 Last Day of 1st Semester

Specials

6th Computer App.

- We will continue learning about how to write a professional email.
- You will write a professional email!