

# Sixth Grade Newsletter



**September 20, 2019**

## English

**Campbell:** Scholastic Book Club catalogs were sent home Tuesday. Orders are due by September 30. You may order online or make checks payable to Scholastic Book Clubs. Unit 3 Vocabulary Slideshow is due September 24. Vocab Quiz will be September 25. Final Narratives are due September 27. This is a GOLD grade. Our next Library Day will be October 4. Our class goal is for every student to read 20 books this school year. Keep motivating your kids to reach this goal!! Check Google Classroom for all assignments and announcements. “The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you’ll go.” – Dr. Seuss

**Glausier:** September 16th, 2019

1. Narrative essay final copy- 9/20
2. Nonfiction book report- 9/26 (Template will be given in class a few days before it is due and we will work on it in class before the student brings it home for you to assist them in completing.)
3. Greek Roots- slides 9/24

**Sherman:** Students took the language part of the PS Express pre-test on Monday. We are still learning how to write a detailed personal narrative, and will continue reusing, editing, and rewriting our drafts until they are ready to be published. Please continue to check Google Classroom for updates.

## Math

**Brown:** See Google Classroom.

**Goodall:** Our Multiplication/Division Fraction test has been delayed until next Tuesday. Our Addition/Subtraction Test went home on Tuesday 9/17. We will begin work next Wednesday on Decimal Operations.

**Steinert:** Students need to study their multiplication facts in their free time! We have started our Fractions Unit. Morning Math Help available on Wednesday, September 25th from 7:10am-7:40am. Students must have their agenda signed by me prior to attending.

## Science

**Arrington:** Please see Google Classroom.

**Bouldin:** Students are continuing to collaborate with partners to research and present wildlife portfolios.

**Cox:** In Science class, we are learning about seasons and begin labs to help us understand the sun's importance in our season. Check Google Classroom for updates.

**Stallings:** In Science we are wrapping up our lesson- Tracking Shadows. Next week we will begin Investigating Seasons on Earth. Be sure to check Google Classroom for class updates.

## **Social Studies**

**Acre:** Our next topic is Immigration and the great wave of new citizens who came through Ellis Island in the period 1890-1920. We will be learning how thousands of immigrants entered the U.S. through Ellis Island and Angel Island and the rigorous process they went through to enter our country.

**Caiola:** The period between 1890 and 1920 is often called the Age of Invention. We will learn about Thomas Edison and other inventors. We will finish a historical novel called ***Counting on Grace***.

**McMahan:** Our next topic is Immigration and the great wave of new citizens who came through Ellis Island in the period 1890-1920. We will be learning how thousands of immigrants entered the U.S. through Ellis Island and Angel Island and the rigorous process they went through to enter our country.

## **Physical Education –Chambers and Russell**

This week in Physical Education we will be having fitness activities and learning about the effects of living a healthy lifestyle.

## **Band – Mrs. Rizzo**

## **ESL – Mrs. Green**

## **Family and Consumer Science – Mr. Tucker**

Classes will be working on the Family Structure this week.

## **Career Explorations – Mrs. Smith**

Sixth grade students are exploring formatting in Google Sheets.

## **Choir – Mrs. Rogers**

Chelsea singers will be announced Friday of this week! Sixth grade choir students are prepping for our October concert.

## **Library/Media Specialists – Mrs. Rayl and Mrs. Stafford**

Mrs. Campbell's students visited the library September 16th. Books are due Friday, October 4th

Mrs. Sherman's students will visit the library Monday, September 23rd.

Mrs. Glausier's students will visit the library Thursday, September 26th and will choose a fiction book for their next report.

Students can access Destiny anywhere, anytime to log in and place books on hold or to create wish lists. Destiny access and all other library information can be found on the Chelsea Middle School website.

This month's Breakfast with a Book will be held Monday, September 30th at 7:15am in the library. We will be discussing graphic novels. October's genre will be mystery/thrillers.

## **Nurse Davis**

Flu shot clinic information will go home next week. Flu shot clinic is scheduled for October 7.

## **Spanish – Mrs. Nivens**

After watching a movie about a young Mexican-American girl approaching her 15th birthday, we are working on a Quinceañera project. The rubric and instructions are in Google Classroom. This should only be done in class unless they don't finish by the end of class Friday, then it should be completed at home before Monday.

## **Guidance Counselors – Mrs. Becnel, Mrs. Miller, and Mrs. Hooks**

### **Mrs. White –**

Students are working on improving their close reading skills to promote reading comprehension. We're also working on improving silent reading fluency. Our class as a whole has an average reading level gain of 0.5. This means students can read half of a grade level higher now than they could at the beginning of the school year!

### **Miss Kozera –**

Students are working on a data based reading program in reading resource. The focus is on comprehension, vocabulary, and visual skills. In math, we are completing a project on the steps of multiplying mixed numbers.

### **Reminders:**

- Remember to check INOW for information for your student. If you have not already, check your child's progress report now.
- No cell phones are to be in the sixth grade building. If you feel it is necessary for your student to have a cell phone, it should be powered off, and in their bookbag throughout the school day.
- No physical contact is allowed on campus. "Intentional touching/striking" is not tolerated.
- Leggings, jeggings, and tights are not allowed. If they are worn, a tunic or dress must be over them and must be long enough to extend beyond the student's fingertips. If a student receives a dress code violation, a student cannot remain in nor return to class until appropriate attire can be provided by parents.
- Teachers assign After School Detention (ASD) for discipline infractions. ASD is held on Tuesdays each week from 3:00 – 4:00. Failure to attend assigned ASD results in mandatory attendance in Saturday School. Our next Saturday School is September 28.
- Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup> and Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup> are Instructional Planning and Data Assessment Days for Teachers. Students do not have classes on these days.

- Students interested in running for SGA, see Mrs. White in Room 212 to pick up an Election Packet. Forms are due to the front office or to Mrs. White by September 24. Please see Mrs. White if you have any questions.
- Junior United Nations involves students researching a country, dressing in costume, making an action plan to solve a world problem, debating to defend our delegation, writing a resolution to explain our action plan, and meeting other JUNA students from across ALABAMA at a 2-day assembly at Birmingham Southern University at the end of January 2020. If you are interested in joining JUNA, look for the tear-away flyers located in the hallways. Applications are due on Google Classroom.
- Sixth grade students interested in Scholars' Bowl – sign up now for tryouts! There are sheets by the front office and 6<sup>th</sup> grade hallway with the Google Classroom CODE.
- October 3<sup>rd</sup> Chelsea Middle School will “go pink” for the kick off to Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Wear your pink shirt to school and then to the game. Come support your CHMS team and ROCK YOUR PINK! Pink shirts are \$18 and can be ordered. See Coach Trice for more details.
- Congratulations to the following students – Scholars' Bowl for Sixth Grade 2019-2020: Brennan Carmack, Luke Dollar, Aubrey Goodwin, Ella Gurtler, Reed Hinson, Emma Holley, Chloe Jean Statham, and Mac Tomlinson.
- Game Day Themes – CHMS Football
  - September 26 – WHITE OUT – Wear White
  - October 3 – PINNK OUT – Wear Pink
  - October 8 – Surfs Up Jackets, Let's Catch Some Wins – Wear your favorite beach tourist outfit.

**Contact Dr. Scarbrough if you need assistance at any time throughout the school year.**

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**Check out updates to the CHMS events calendar throughout the year on our website where you sign up for ListServ email alerts and can access many individual blogs and Google Classroom hosted by our teachers on the faculty page.**

