

Sixth Grade Newsletter



October 4, 2019

English

Campbell:

The students finished their Personal Narrative Writing! Library Day is on Friday. Thank you to all those that bought books through our Scholastic order. I was able to get over 50 books for our classroom library!! You are awesome!

Glausier: September 30th, 2019

1. Novel Test 10/4
2. Grammar quiz- 10/3 (nouns, verbs, adjectives)
3. Fiction book report- 10/16

Sherman:

Students will be completing a personal narrative on their own next week in class. We have learned the skills, tools, and techniques necessary to craft a detail-oriented, attention grabbing story, and now they get to show off their artistic abilities. Please check Google Classroom for more information on their Personal Narrative Culminating Task, as well as information regarding their Pumpkin Parade Book Report.

Students have the opportunity this week to showcase many skills that they have acquired over the last 3 weeks, such as: writing with vivid sensory details, telling a story in chronological order according to external and internal plot charts, using dialogue to develop characters, writing to evoke emotion, and more. Students will be completing a Personal Narrative Culminating Task where they will be writing their own personal narrative with little guidance from me. They have the skills and tools that they need already, and I have confidence in them that they will be successful in this endeavor. Just like any test we would regularly take, I have prepared them and now we will see what they are capable of on their own. The biggest challenge that I foresee is time management. Students have the week to craft their personal narrative. I will provide suggestions to keep them on pace, but it is their responsibility to have everything turned in on Friday by the end of their class period. Please ask your child about this assignment throughout the week to keep it fresh in their minds. Check the Google Classroom to see the assignment and the rubric.

The Pumpkin Parade Book Report papers went out to all classes. Students should have a book checked out for this assignment. Parents need to sign the bottom of the PPBR page and send it back to school with students to be sure we are all on the same page. Students should be reading each night. The assignment is due on October 30th. Additional details can be found on the Google Classroom.

As always, Google Classroom will keep you up to date on the most important things happening in our class.

As always, please check the classroom for the latest details.

Math

Brown: See Google Classroom.

Goodall:

Welcome to the end of the first nine weeks. We will be having a nine week exam on Wednesday, October 9th. There will be a handout on Monday to review for the test. We will spend Monday and Tuesday reviewing in class.

Steinert:

Starting, Tuesday, October 8th I will be offering after school math help from 3pm-4:15pm. This will be every Tuesday, unless I have to cancel due to a conflict. No passes are needed! My 1st 9 week Exam will be on Wednesday, October 9th

Science

Arrington: See Google Classroom.

Bouldin: This week we are discussing how weather and climate changes affect wildlife and wildlife behavior. This will culminate into a class debate on Friday. We will have a guest speaker from the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to present to students in class on Tuesday.

Cox: We are finishing our unit on the Sun, Earth, Moon system this week and preparing for our end of unit test on October 9. After our test, we will begin our unit on Exploring the Planetary Systems. Check Google Classroom for any information or updates.

Stallings:

Next week in Science we will wrap up the unit Researching the Sun-Earth-Moon system. We will complete a study guide then review in class. The test will be Wednesday, October 9th.

Social Studies

Acre:

Ellis Island was amazing! Thanks parents for all your help. We are still learning about the Progressive Era right before World War I when citizens began to look for ways to fix crime, poverty, and political corruption in America. Please make sure you check that your child has all the supplies they need as we start a new grading period.

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McMahan:

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Physical Education –Chambers and Russell

Fitness activities and indoor games.

Band – Mrs. Rizzo

Check band email.

ESL – Mrs. Green

Family and Consumer Science – Mr. Tucker

Baking cinnamon biscuits on Tuesday. Nine weeks wrap-up rest of week.

Career Explorations – Mrs. Smith

This will be the final week in Career Tech Explorations for sixth grade students. The nine weeks will wrap up with a unit on digital citizenship – exploring how to safely use the internet, social media, and more.

Choir – Mrs. Rogers

Students continue to prepare for the choir concert. Come support us on Oct. 17 at Liberty Baptist on 6:00 p.m.

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

Book Olympiad interest meeting will be October 10 in the morning during study hall in the library. Book Fair will be October 21-25 in the library.

Nurse Davis

Reminder: Flu shots will be available October 7. Please make sure to fill out form completely. Forms are available from the School Nurse.

Spanish – Mrs. Nivens

Been fun! Moving to a new class next week.

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

Mrs. White –

Students are working on their research based reading program. We are working on identifying plot elements during small group work.

Miss Kozera –

Students are working on their data-based math and reading programs. We are transitioning from fractions to decimals for small group instruction.

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.
- Friday, October 11th and Monday, October 14th are Instructional Planning and Data Assessment Days for Teachers. Students do not have classes on these days
- Game Day Themes – CHMS Football

- 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.