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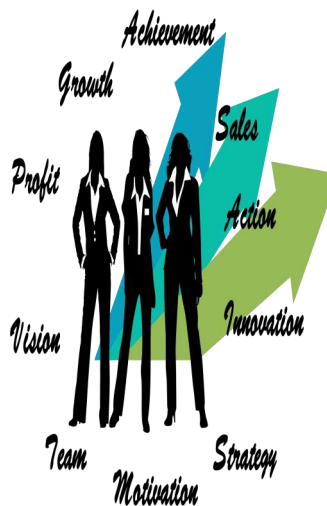
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Weeks of March 7th –March 15th...

BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY NEWS...

Greetings Parents!! All students have completed the Keyboarding Unit.. Students will be assessed on Technique, Accuracy & Speed over a two week period. Assessments will begin this Thursday and Friday. Additionally, 7th Grade students are currently working in the Computer Applications Unit with a focus on Microsoft Word. 6th Grade Students are currently working in the Computer Fundamentals Unit. 8th Grade Students are currently working in the Financial Literacy Unit with a focus on Personal Finance. All students

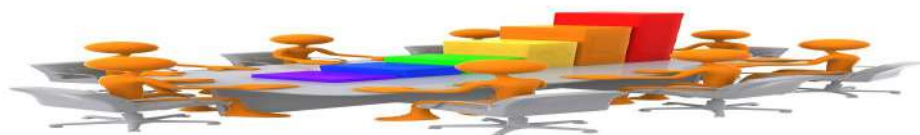
will take their EOTT exams on Thursday and Friday of this week. The week of March 11th 7th Grade will focus on Microsoft Excel. 6th Grade students will begin the Computer Apps Unit with a focus on Microsoft Word. 8th Grade Students will wrap-up Personal Finance and begin the Economics Unit.



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MARKETING NEWS...



Week of March 7-11, 2016

All students will review their quizzes on Monday. Tuesday and Wednesday will be review days for the upcoming EOTT. EOTTs will be administered on Thursday and Friday. All study guides are due on the day of the EOTTs. Note: Seventh grade students will begin their Product Management project on Tuesday and Wednesday. (The latter part of the class will be used for review time.)

Week of March 14-18, 2016

Sixth grade students will begin their business organization unit. Students will be exposed to the advantages and disadvantages of sole proprietorships, partnerships, and corporations. (Mini-case studies will be used to enhance their understanding.)

Seventh grade students will continue their product management project. They will also be introduced to the next function of marketing, which is pricing. Project presentations will take place on Thursday and Friday.

Eighth grade students will begin the Free Market Economy unit. They will be exposed to the concept of the free market, which was explained by Adam Smith. Additionally, they learn the correlation between supply and demand, as it pertains to a free market.

Special Points of Interest

- EOTT Week : 3/7th – 3/11th
- Department Curriculum Newsletter Sign-up Page located on the “Connections Webpage”

BAND NEWS...

6th Grade Concert Band

We have learned 3 major scales and arpeggios and are on our way to our fourth major scale. Our Spring Concert is May 2, 2016 at 7pm in the gym of DMS.

The 6th grade concert band is will be performing "Power Rock", "Strike Force", and "Alpha Squadron".

Keep practicing daily for 30 minutes. Practice logs are due every Monday at the beginning of class.

7th/8th Grade Concert Band

We are in preparation of our May 9th Spring Concert. The concert band has been learning techniques in rhythm patterns, scale patterns, dynamics, and fundamentals. We have learned five major scales and are reviewing weekly to move on to our final two major scales and the chromatic scale. The concert band will be performing "Serengeti Dreams", "Aryshire Portrait", and "Enchanted Village".

All concert band students are required to practice daily for 30 minutes and expected to turn in practice logs every Monday at the beginning of class.

7th/8th Grade Honor Band

Large Group Performance Evaluation is March 16th at 4pm at the Henry County Performing Arts Center (33 Lemon Street McDonough, GA 30253). All parents are encouraged to attend this FREE event to support our elite students. Rehearsals are held every Friday morning form 7:30am-8:30am. We are perfecting our three prepared pieces and improving our sight-reading skills to attain the optimal score.

Honor Band will be performing the following for LGPE: "Little Champ March" arranged by Quincy C. Hilliard; "Old Irish Tune" by Larry Daehn; "Voodoo Dance" by Elliot Del Borgo.

We will also be performing at our Spring Concert May 9, 2016 in the gym at 7pm with the concert band. The program has not been determined for the spring concert.

The Universal Orlando Trip for 7th and 8th grade will commence March 17th. The report time will be 10:45pm in the cafeteria of DMS. We will bus all night and have breakfast at the Golden Corral. We will perform at Universal Parks and ride roller coasters until Sunday!

Please remind students to practice on a daily basis for 20-40 minutes to ensure success in class!



CHORUS NEWS...

Chorus students we will be completing SLOs (Student Learning Objectives) throughout the two-week period. Additionally, EOTT study guides were sent home last week and are due Monday. EOTTs will be administered Tuesday and Wednesday. Lastly, we will continue to prepare music/selections for our upcoming Large Group Performance Evaluations on March 30, 2016.



ART NEWS...

Greeting Parents, thank you for your patience and understanding . I've returned after a 6-week medical leave absence. Art students are studying the language of art. Please check my website for detailed information.



SPANISH & SPANISH-I NEWS...

Spanish 6th and 7th grade connections students have been doing a great job learning the Spanish speaking countries, capitals and flags. We had a quiz too. Students will be preparing their Spanish speaking countries projects. The projects presentations will start next week. Please be aware that our EOTT is on March 10th and 11th on Thursday (A) and Friday (B). Study guides were given on March 3rd and 4th, they are due before the test. Please check infinite campus for missing assignments and updated grades. Additionally, students will be learning and practicing colors and numbers. Most homework assignments are posted in Edmodo. Gracias

In Spanish I (Advanced class), Students will be reviewing the content of the Unidad 2. Please be aware that our EOTT is on March 10th and 11th on Thursday (A) and Friday (B). Study guides were given on March 3rd and 4th, they are due before the test. Students will be introduced to the unit 3A La Comida. Students will be learning about food vocabulary, how to talk about likes and dislikes, discuss what they like to eat and drink. In grammar students will be practicing conjugation of present tense verbs. We will continue presenting the Spanish Speaking countries projects. Presentations dates have been modified so please be flexible to be ready to present any time. Please check infinite campus for missing assignments and updated grades. Gracias

