

Seventh Grade NEWS!

ASSESSMENTS!!!!

End of Term Tests, or EOTT's as we affectionately call them, will be administered the week of October 5 -9 in all academic classes. Please watch for study guides or reviews to be issued or addressed the prior week.

What are we BARKING about this week!



Let's Check our Pockets!?!

Fundraising Fun for Good Causes!

DMS students are finding their craziest hats for our latest fund raising efforts: Caps for Kids. Students are allowed to wear their wildest headwear in an effort to raise money. The fun costs only a dollar for the whole day. There will be two more Fridays. Please help us raise money and awareness for this cause!



Girls R.I.S.E.

The much awaited return of the GIRLS R.I.S.E Club has finally come!!! Girls R.I.S.E will be meeting new members when we return from the fall break on September 26. We appreciate your support as our returning young ladies try and recruit any new interest to our club.

R.I.S.E.

Girls...

Tidbits

- * DUKE Tip Program! Counselors corner!
- * What is the academic focus for the week?
- * Clubs are starting to meet!
- * EOTTs on the horizon!

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WE LOVE OUR GRAND-PARENTS!!!

We are so excited to have Breakfast for our wonderful Grandparents on Monday Sept. 12. We value these special people!

A Minute with the Counselor!

Parents,

I will be meeting with identified students on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 to discuss the Duke TIP 7th Grade Talent Search. It is important that registration and enrollment fees are paid (\$75.00 or \$30.00 for stu-

dents that qualify for fee grants) before the testing deadlines. Please click on link <https://tip.duke.edu/node/966> and select Georgia Milestones 2016 6th Grade to see qualifica-

tions. Lastly, contact me if you have any questions or concerns after your child brings home the information.

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Math Assessment Time!

This week students will continue their study of operations of rational numbers (positive and negative). Please encourage students to practice all the basic skills of adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing fractions, mixed numbers, and decimals. Parents, please ensure that students are completing all homework assignments as this will lead to successful mastery of the unit. Lastly, our Unit 1 assessment, Operations with Rational Numbers, will be administered on September 14th.

How to create a Dichotomous Key

Making your own dichotomous key can be easily done for a group of living or nonliving things that you want to organize by physical traits. This can be a good method for helping people make observations and understand some physical traits that are important for learning how to classify things. Follow these basic rules when making a key and you are on your way:

Start by observing the group of things to be used in the key.

List the most general traits that can be used to divide the organisms into categories.

Science Fair Forms

Forms are past due if they have not been turned in – Please sign and return the required Science Fair forms – Science Topic Form, Resource Development Form and Parent Contract ****Date Change – Phase 1 Forms are now due September 26, 2016**

ELA and Social Studies

Look Closely! What are you Inferring?

We continue to lay the foundation for constructed response. This foundation will serve your student over the years and through out all curriculum classes. This week we are building our skills on CLOSE reading and inferencing. CLOSE reading is reading and annotation to understand the text, and then reading again to answer text dependent questions or a prompt.

Inferencing will help your student develop strong reading skills by

having them answer text dependent questions that are directly related to the document we have asked them to read.

SOCIAL STUDIES

7th Grade Social Studies have been covering environmental issues for Southwest Asia (SWA). Next week, we will move on to learning about location, climate, physical characteristics, and natural resources that impact SWA. Finally, we will continue

writing across the curriculum so that our students can make the connection between the real world and social studies while developing useful writing skills.

