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Seventh Grade Classroom Newsletter



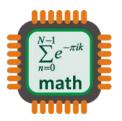
Language Arts News

Mrs. Bickley's and Mrs. Stevens' seventh grade Language Arts classes have been busy this first quarter of the new school year!

Once the students were confident that they understood the new classroom rules and procedures, they got right down to work learning about how to read informational text. The students learned about the different text structures. Students have also started to learn about the different elements of fiction and have begun simple writing tasks.

During the second quarter, we will begin reading novels concerning World War II and the Holocaust. Within these novels, we will be discussing the following: summarizing, characterization, predictions, the impact of the setting, questioning, and mood. Since reading has been proven to expand vocabulary and increase comprehension, we encourage students to read as much as possible.

Students will be working on writing five paragraph essays with a thesis statement.



Math News

Mr. Watson and Mr. Justice are pleased with the hard work the students have demonstrated in the first quarter of the year. This quarter students have learned about integer operations, rational numbers, and simplifying algebraic expressions. We will soon be starting units on solving equations and inequalities.

In both classrooms, students typically have homework Monday through Thursday--unless it is a test day. Be sure to encourage your student to complete all homework because it has a vital impact on your student's learning and Math grades.

Following are effective ways to improve a student's Math grade and ensure success:

- · Ask Questions
- Participate in class
- Complete all homework
- <u>STUDY</u> for all tests and quizzes
- . Take notes in Math class (examples of problems)



Social Studies News

This quarter has been great in Seventh Grade Social Studies. I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching this group of students this year. The students have been respectful and are showing growth every day. We have been learning about the culture of ancient Greece. The students are currently continuing a study of ancient Greece and how it has influenced our way of life today. This includes government, engineering, technology, art, architecture, and literature.

The best way to be successful in Social Studies class this year is to study the materials that are given to students in class. They will have everything in Google Classroom that can help them prepare for tests and quizzes. We try to handle everything in class, so homework is rare for Social Studies this year. However, the students can always be studying something they have received in class.

Looking forward to the rest of the school year!

- Mr. Evans



Science News

As the quarter comes to a close, I am proud of the students' effort and enthusiasm. This 1st quarter, we have studied such topics as inquiry, graphing, scientific tools for measurement, and matter. The students have had the opportunity to work on various investigations. During the 2nd quarter, we are studying the periodic table as well as energy and waves. Just a reminder that you should keep working hard, stay focused, wear masks, and stay safe!

Science Fact: A fully grown adult has 206 bones in his/her body, whereas a newborn baby has 300 bones. Some of these bones fuse together as the baby grows.

Great job! Mr. Graham

