



Rocket News

Wellston Middle School
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Seventh Grade Classroom Newsletter



Language Arts News

Mrs. Bickley's and Mrs. Stevens's seventh grade Language Arts classes have been working hard this second nine weeks! Students have finished reading novels concerning World War II and the Holocaust. As we know, reading has been proven to expand one's vocabulary and increase comprehension.

Writing is a very important communication tool for students and adults. Students are learning about the components of a five paragraph essay. Due to the struggles students have experienced in the past concerning essay writing, we are breaking the process of writing into simple steps that are easy to understand,

This quarter, students will be focusing their skills on argumentative writing. They will also have other writing opportunities.



Math News

Mr. Watson and Mr. Justice are pleased with the hard work the students have demonstrated during the second quarter of the year. This quarter, students have learned about solving equations and simplifying algebraic expressions. Currently, students are learning about proportional relationships, percents, probability and geometry. Also, students will begin reviewing concepts for their state test.

In both classrooms, students typically have homework Monday through Thursday--unless it was 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 his/her Math grade.

Here are effective ways to improve their Math grade and ensure their success.

- Ask Questions
- Participate in class
- Complete all homework
- **STUDY** for all tests and quizzes



Social Studies News

Another great quarter has come to a close in Seventh Grade Social Studies. The students are learning a great deal about world history and life. Recently, we have been learning about the culture of ancient Rome. The students are currently continuing a study of ancient Rome and how it has influenced our way of life today. This includes government, engineering, technology, architecture, and religion. In the 2nd semester, I will have a student teacher taking over most of the teaching responsibilities in my classroom. Below is a statement from Mr. Sites introducing himself.

"My name is Mr. Sites and I am a senior at Ohio University majoring in Education with a concentration in Social Studies. I am looking forward to working with your child in Mr. Evans' classroom. Mr. Evans and I are excited to cooperatively plan classroom activities that the students will enjoy and benefit from academically. The expectations for our classroom will remain the same from the beginning of the year. Any materials that the students are given on Google Classroom can be studied outside of school, but no homework will be given for Social Studies. Looking forward to a great finish to the school year!"

- Mr. Sites

I am so proud of this year's 7th grade students, and I am also 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 2nd quarter we have studied such topics as elements, compounds, mixtures along with exploring the periodic table. The students have had the opportunities to work individually and in groups of varying size while conducting their investigations. The 3rd quarter we are studying earth and space. As this 2nd quarter comes to a close, keep working hard and stay focused.

Science Fact: Octopuses have three hearts, nine brains, and blue blood

Great job!
Mr. Graham



REMINDERS AND NOTES

Students were very excited to have a Christmas tree this year at the Depot. The students painted their own ornaments and are currently bringing them home.

In February, students will be signing and/or creating Valentines to be sent to area Nursing Homes.

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held Thursday, February 17th from 12:00 to 7:15. If you would like to schedule a conference time, please contact the school at 740-384-2251.