



The Owl Oracle

October 9, 2015

- First Quarter ends on Thursday, October 22. Please continue to check Parent Portal regularly for grades, and encourage your owl to retake any tests that are well below 80%.

Language Arts- Ms. Stark

We are continuing our fiction/narratives unit, with a focus this past week on characterization. Readings the next two weeks will introduce imagery as a way to develop character and mood. I was very pleased with the interim assessment taken on October 2. These grades are in parent portal for you to view. In November, we will begin our novel units. Barnes and Noble at Birkdale is holding the Bailey Book Fair this weekend if you would like to get your owl's novel while supporting the school:

Standard ELA students will read The Search For Delicious, by Natalie Babbitt. You MUST purchase this book by November.

Honors students will read Walk Two Moons, by Sharon Creech. I have school copies your student may use but not write in. You are welcome to purchase your own copy.

You may use a Kindle/e-reader version of the book, but this frequently causes confusion since the pagination is different.

Vocabulary update: Honors students have completed and reviewed lists 1-5 of stems, and begin list #6 next week. ELA students begin Lesson 5 words next week.

Math- Mrs. Singletary

This week, we are finishing up solving one and two step equations. We will end our Algebra unit in the next two weeks with the following topics: Substitution, Combining Like Terms, and Distributive Property. Student will take an Algebra test on Thursday Oct. 22nd. Just a reminder that corrections and re-takes for the GCF/LCM tests are due by Tuesday Oct. 13th. Our class is in need of notebook paper and glue sticks!

Science- Mrs. Selfridge

We are beginning our energy unit. We will be using the book called "Energy" which can be viewed online at ebook.iat.com. Again, the student log in is baileystudent and the password is bailey. We will have a 12 question quiz over Learning Set 1 on Friday, October 16. We will also continue our practice of having a weekly homework assignment in google classroom that is due every Friday. Paper copies will continue to be available on the front counter for those lacking internet access at home.

Social Studies- Mrs. Wheeler

This week in Social Studies we discussed Early Humans. We also gave a Quiz on Chapter 1 of Discovery Education. Students have also been given access to my Google classroom which will be a wonderful site for all documents and other resources. We will have our Chapter test on Early humans on Thursday 10/22. Please start studying quizzes, warm-ups and other components in their SS notebook.