

The Owl Oracle September 25, 2015

- It's Progress Report time already! Each student should have a sticker in his/her agenda for you to sign saying you have gone online and are aware of progress in each class. Homeroom teachers are going to check for these signatures by Monday. If you have questions or concerns about a particular class, please talk to your student first. He or she might have returned papers, etc that can clear things up. Then feel free to email us with additional questions and concerns.
- The Back-to-School picnic is Friday, October 2, immediately after school. Students need a permission slip signed by a parent to stay. You may also go home and return to school. Following the picnic, there is a 10-year celebration concert in Bailey Park. For more details, see the Bronco Bulletin and/or Bailey website.

Math- Mrs. Singletary

Our first test over Factors and other beginning of the year topics were passed back on Monday Sept. 21st. Signed tests are due back by Thursday Sept. 24th. Any student that received below an 80% is eligible for test corrections and a re-take. Students will need to come to working lunch to complete the re-take and it must be done by Monday Oct. 5th. The corrections/re-take procedures can be found glued in the first divider of the math notebook. This week we have been working on finding the Greatest Common Factor and Least Common Multiple. There will be a short test over these two topics on Thursday Sept. 24th. Next week, we will start our new unit on Algebra with writing Algebraic Expressions.

Language Arts- Ms. Stark

We are in the midst of a unit on fiction/story elements. Literature pieces have included stories from both Springboard and the Literature book. The use of both texts helps us reinforce literary terminology as well as incorporate close reading strategies and writing. Our current grammar focus is pronouns. There are weekly vocabulary units in each class, with tests most Fridays. Honors students have stem list #5 next week, and there will be a one-week review time with a review test Friday, October 9. Beginning

the week of October 5, students will be analyzing a nonfiction reading passage (Article of the Week) that will require annotating the text as well as responding personally to it.

Science- Mrs. Selfridge

Science: We have started our matter unit. Our test will be Tuesday, October 6. We are using Google classroom for a lot of our assignments, including homework. If you put the Google Classroom app on your phone and have your child sign in, you can get alerts when I add assignments or make announcements.

Social Studies- Mrs. Wheeler

We have just finished the Geography unit today. If your child is interested in a make-up exam, they need to express the interest to me early next week. They can only earn up to an 80% on the make-up exam. We will start Early Humans on Monday. Please make sure your child continues to have their notebook organized and reference it often for studying skills.