

Grade 6 September Newsletter

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What's Going on in the Classroom?

Reading

In reading/language arts we will begin to work on activities in our guided reading groups by using actual trade books and scholastic magazines to learn about various skills. All students will continue to sharpen their comprehension skills in conjunction with a variety of other skills such as the following: noting important story details in order to make accurate inferences, citing text evidence to support story analysis, understanding text structure, and building vocabulary skills.

Math

In math, students are reviewing how to compare and order whole numbers. We are also reviewing exponents, place value, and multiplying and dividing by powers of ten. If your child still struggles with his or her multiplication and/or division facts, please practice them at home. This will make math a lot easier for your child in the long run when learning more difficult skills throughout the year.

Writing

Currently, all students are also working on writing a narrative. Please continue to monitor your child's writing at home and prompt him or her to write as neatly and grammatically correct as possible. It is also a good idea to always have him or her read the work they do back to themselves. This will help him or her find a good amount of mistakes. If you still notice that your child's writing in any academic area does not make sense, it is a very good idea to have him or her rewrite the assignment.

Science

All students are using science interactive notebooks again this year. Currently, students are learning about the scientific method, using the correct scientific equipment and data collection and graphing data. Investigations will take place in the classroom so that students learn to classify different types of living things accordingly.

Geography

In geography, students are learning to identify and interpret maps in addition to understanding what different map projections mean. Students will also be learning about latitude, longitude, absolute location and the five themes of geography. Students will be using these skills to complete a project where they will design their own country. Throughout the year, we will be studying different continents moving first into South America.

Important Dates

September 6th – Summer Reading Due Date
September 12th-16th ~ Book Choice Due (Book Report)
September 14th – Know Your School Night
September 21st – School Fundraisers Due
September 26th – Scholastic Book Orders Due
(optional)



REMINDERS

*All math work/computations should be passed in with your child's homework.
*Be prepared for the change in weather! As it gets colder outside, your child should be wearing a sweatshirt or light jacket to school. Layered clothing will allow your child to take off his or her sweatshirt off in the classroom if he or she is too hot.



