

**7TH GRADE
NEWS & INFORMATION**

10/31/16 – 11/4/16

CLASS UPDATES

SUCSESSES: There have been several writing assignments this week. The students did a good job of organizing their time to make sure they could complete these assignments.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH: On Wednesday, I handed out the contest entry form for the anti-drug essay contest. It was shocking how many students didn't know their own address or a parent's phone number or didn't know what county they lived in. This is an important life skill. This is information they should have for their own safety. Please review this information with them.

Community Service: The service hours must be completed and turned in with the write-up by November 21. Any student failing to complete community service can receive no greater than a C in effort for the trimester and therefore will not be eligible for academic honors that trimester.

Service Opportunities: Please see the attached flyers for service opportunities through the parish.

Halloween Carnival: Tickets will be on sale for the Halloween carnival on Halloween at recess and lunch. Tickets are .25 and most carnival games cost 3-4 tickets.

Halloween: We are looking for a parent to take pictures of the classes on Halloween. This would be a fun way to earn some parent hours. If you would like to volunteer your time please contact Mrs. Van Eyck.

Halloween Costume Reminder: Costume attire for students and parents must be appropriate for school. Select costumes that are tasteful. (No devils, blood, weapons, gore etc.)

Mass: Tuesday is All Saints Day, which is a holy day of obligation. We will be going mass as a school at 9:00AM. Remember to wear mass attire.

First Trimester Reading Day: Back by popular demand, Tuesday November 1 will be our all day reading day. Except for electives and mass, the day will be dedicated to reading. Students may bring pillows and blankets and of course have enough reading material on hand to get them through the day.

P.E. Make-up Class: Since we will be missing P.E. due to mass on Tuesday Mrs. Van Eyck has agreed to do a make-up class on Wednesday at 9:15. Wear your P.E. uniform on Wednesday.

Minimum Day Wednesday: Wednesday is the first Wednesday of the month so we will dismiss at 12:20 for teacher curriculum planning.

Citizenship Awards for October: Our two citizenship award recipients for October were Riley Peterson and Julianna Forry. These students have both shown great leadership in their class and in their school.

Book Club!

We had a great had a great book club for October. Our next book club will be on Monday November 28th location to be determined. The book we will be discussing is *Audacity* by Melanie Crowder. This narrative poem tells the true story of Clara Lemlich whose fight for equal rights leads led to the largest strike by women in American history. We chose this inspiring story because it goes along with a middle school field trip coming up in December to see the play *To See the Stars* at Santa Ynez High School. This play is also about the 1910 Shirtwaist Workers Strike. See the attached flyer for the address.

Weekend Homework & Up Coming Tests & Projects:

- Reader's Notebook - The first Reader's Notebook Response will be due every Thursday.
- History Test - Thursday

MONDAY –

TUESDAY – Mass – All Saints Day

WEDNESDAY – 12:20 Dismissal

THURSDAY –

FRIDAY – P.E. –

Have a great weekend!

Miss Lee