

7TH GRADE NEWS & INFORMATION

11/12/18 – 11/16/18

Key Weekly Objectives

Each week we will highlight key objectives covered in seventh grade during the week.

Literature: Overall objective for Literature Circles: To analyze literature and engage students in meaningful discussions about literature citing textual evidence.

Religion: To use the Inductive Bible Study Method, to observe, interpret, and apply scripture. To prepare for the Sunday readings to better understand the Liturgy of the Word.

Math: To find factors of numbers and use exponents.

Science: To state the relationship between cancer and the cell cycle; describe how cancer begins and spreads; describe several methods of cancer treatment and of cancer prevention

CLASS UPDATES

SUCSESSES: The class had a great attitude about reading day and really made the most of this opportunity many people finished books and started new ones. It was great to over hear the literary conversations that followed this reading time.

The students are also very enthusiastic about their literature circle books. I look forward to seeing how they work with their groups. (Please see the note below regarding literature circles.)

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH: When we were willing out the literature circle assignments, the groups had a bit of a hard time following directions and this took a rather long time.

Lancer Folders: Please remember to sign the back of the folder every Monday and sign and return anything on the sign and return side.

School Tours: School tours are the second Tuesday of every month. Please tell any perspective families about this opportunity to learn about our school.

Community Service: The Community Service hours for the first trimester are due **Friday, November 16th**. This is a change since some people may need a little more time and the trimester doesn't end until Friday.

STAR Testing: Our second round of STAR Testing is Tuesday and Wednesday. We will test first thing in the morning. Please make sure the students get to sleep early and have a good breakfast. Please schedule any appointments accordingly.

Literature Circle: This week we starting literature circles.. The genre we are exploring for this session is dystopian literature. They will meet with their literature circle group on Tuesdays and Fridays. (Except for the last week before Christmas break when the last meeting will be on Thursday, December 20th) Every student is responsible for the assigned reading and his or her job assignment for each literature circle meeting group. **No late assignments** will be accepted for these assignments because they are letting their group down if they are not doing their part. The only exception to this is an absence, and then the assignment is due upon the student's return. Literature circles do NOT take the place of independent reading. Students still need to be reading an independent reading book during SSR, and each week's reader's notebook is based on the independent reading not the literature circle book.

Girls' Lunch: This week we had our first girls' lunch. This was an opportunity for all the girls to just be together and talk and explore and expand their friendships. We will meet like this about once a month.

Boys' Lunch ?: We would love to do a similar thing for the boys. If there is a dad who would like to come and have lunch with the boys about once a month, please email Miss Lee.

Book Club!

We had a great book club meeting for November. Our book club selection for December 10th is *Rebound* Kwame Alexander. This is a prequel to the popular book *The Crossover*.

Book club will be on Monday, December at 7:00 . If you would like to host this book club, please contact Miss Lee or Miss Kim. See Flyer.

Weekend Homework & Up Coming Tests & Projects:

- Reader's Notebook - The first Reader's Notebook Response will be due on **Tuesday** and **every Tuesday** for the rest of the year.

MONDAY –

TUESDAY – P.E.,

WEDNESDAY –

THURSDAY –P.E.

FRIDAY – Spirit Shirt Day

Have a great weekend! - Miss Lee