

7TH GRADE NEWS & INFORMATION

11/6/17 – 11/10/17

Key Weekly Objectives



Here we will highlight key objectives that we are targeting in seventh grade during the week.

ELA: Objective: To correctly form singular and plural possessive nouns by punctuating them correctly.

Spelling: Objective: To reinforce correct usage of often-confused word pairs.

Social Studies: Objective: To understand current local, national, and worldwide news events as well as improve listening, note taking, and map skills.

Math A: Objectives: to estimate using various methods and to solve equations using inverse operations

CLASS UPDATES

SUCSESSES: We had lots of fun on Halloween doing several Edgar Allen Poe themed activities. After that several students asked about more Poe stories they could read. Classic literature is classic for a reason.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH: During our review for our nouns chapter test, which will be on Monday, not everyone was following along and checking their own work. Not a lot of people asked questions during the review.

STAR Testing: We will have our first round of STAR testing next Tuesday and Wednesday. We will test in the morning so please do not schedule any dentist or doctor's appointments during this time. Please make sure the students go to bed early to get a good night's sleep and make sure they eat a good breakfast that morning.

Literature Circles: Next week we will start literature circles. We have five literature circle book groups. The genre we are exploring for this session is dystopian literature. They will meet with their literature circle group on Mondays and Thursdays. 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.

Knights of Columbus Poster Contest: The Knights of Columbus is having a Christmas Poster Contest. I will accept this as a **religion extra credit assignment**. The deadline for turning the poster in is December 1st. See the attached pdf for the rules and contest entry form.

Community Service – The first trimester community service is due Monday, November 20th; that means completing the five hours and the write up. It can be turned in any time before that. The form can be down loaded from the class website.

Book Club!

We had a great start to our middle school book club last month. Our book for November/December book is *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins. This action-packed book has become something of a middle school dystopian classic and cultural phenomenon since its release in 2008. Students have been reading it this year in all of our middle school classes. Book club will be at the Simolons' house on Monday December 4th from 7:00-8:00. See the attached flyer for the address.

Please contact Miss Lee or Miss Kim if your family would be interested in hosting a book club meeting this year.

Weekend Homework & Up Coming Tests & Projects:

- Reader's Notebook - The first Reader's Notebook Response will be due on **Thursday** and **every Thursday** after that.
- Nouns Chapter Test Monday

MONDAY –

TUESDAY – P.E.

WEDNESDAY –

THURSDAY – P.E.

FRIDAY –

Have a great weekend!