

7TH GRADE NEWS & INFORMATION

12/17/18 – 12/21/18

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 study the importance of the Nativity story, learn about the history of the Nativity scenes or crèches, to analyze the Nativity stories in the gospels of Matthew and Luke, all in preparation to create an original Nativity narrative from the perspective of someone in the Nativity.

Math: To find the least common multiple to compare fractions
To write rational numbers as terminating and repeating decimals

Science: To learn the different between haploid and diploid cells; review the phases of meiosis I and meiosis II

Writing: I can identify and properly punctuate adverb clauses.

History - I can evaluate on the bias of two sources regarding the medieval king, Charlemagne.

CLASS UPDATES

SUCSESSES: The students actively engaged in our lesson and discussion of the Nativity story. The students asked many good questions and made personal faith connections.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH: For the New Year we all want to work on a new class cheer to show our school spirit. On a similar note we are going to show our school pride by keeping our classroom clean, especially our desk areas and cubbies.

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: There will be school tours the second Tuesday of each month. Please tell any perspective families about this opportunity to learn about our school, and encourage them to call the office and sign up for a tour.

Class Christmas Party: All the classes are having their class parties on Friday from 1:00-2:00.

7th Grade DIY Gift Exchange

For our Christmas Party the 7th grade class will be doing a DIY gift exchange. You must adhere to the following rules:

- You must make the gift.
- You may not purchase a gift. (Only the supplies to make your gift.)
- You must bring the gift already wrapped.
- This is meant to be a fun and creative exchange.
- All gifts must be appropriate – nothing crude, rude, embarrassing or insulting.
- Everyone must participate and bring their gift on Friday, December 21st

Literature Circle: **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.

Book Club!

We had a great book club meeting for December. This week in the reader's notebooks I am asking the students for recommendations for upcoming book club selections. So look for that announcement and a flyer next week. I know many of you will want to start reading the next book club book over Christmas break.

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.
- Literature Circle Reading & Job #9 for Monday
- Literature Circle Reading & Job #10 for Thursday

MONDAY –

TUESDAY – P.E.

WEDNESDAY –

THURSDAY –P.E.

FRIDAY – Mass

Have a great weekend! - Miss Lee