

## Middle School Newsletter

October 15, 2021

Parent Teacher conferences for middle school families are conducted a little differently. In order to provide the opportunity for you to speak with our middle school teachers independently, we are offering drop-in style conferences. The format is as follows: All of the middle school teachers will be in The Square from 12:30-5pm and 5:30-8pm and will be seated at separate tables throughout the room. If a teacher is available, just pull up a chair and let the conference begin. If a teacher is already conducting a conference, please wait in the chairs placed away from their table in order to give them privacy. As a final quick tip, there is less waiting in the afternoon.

Mr. Dwyer - 8th Gr. Homeroom & 6th-8th Gr. Math

Mrs. Biesendorfer - 7th Gr. Homeroom & 7th Gr. Language Arts; 8th Gr. Grammar/Vocab

Mr. Brewster - 6th Gr. Homeroom & 6th-8th Gr. History

Mrs. Williams - 7th Gr. Homeroom & 6th-8th Gr. Science

Mrs. Schulte - 6th & 8th Gr. Language Arts

Mr. Kelly - K-8th PE

Wear a pink shirt on Wednesday to support Mrs. Schulte! (Uniform bottoms)

### 6th Grade

#### Math

Test Friday, October 22nd

#### Science

We have finished up our unit on minerals and will move on to a new unit about rocks on Monday!

#### Social Studies

The sixth graders will begin a chapter on the Israelites next week.

#### Reading

We started our next class novel Walk Two Moons. Sixth graders also need to pick a science fiction book to read independently for their next WEB (Wonderfully, Exciting, Book) project.

#### Writing

Next week, sixth graders will start working on their next personal narrative.

#### Grammar/Vocab

In grammar the 6th graders will continue learning about Pronouns next week.

The 6th graders will be working on Lesson 3.

#### Religion

Next week we'll be talking about Jesus' ministry and practicing our chapel skit. We will be presenting chapel on Monday.

#### Spanish

Spanish test on Friday.

### 7th Grade

#### Math

Test Friday, October 22nd

#### Science

We have started to learn about all the organelles in the different types of cells.

#### Social Studies

The 7th Graders will have a test over chapter 4 on Thursday.

#### Reading

We loved viewing the Book Trailers! Both classes were quite creative.

Today we took a quiz over the first half of the book *Crispin*.

#### Writing

Next week we will continue practicing using strong Word Choice.

#### Grammar/Vocab

A short quiz over Pronouns will be given on Wednesday. A Vocab quiz over vocab words found in *Crispin* will be given on Monday.

#### Religion

The 7th graders will be using The Story as we work our way through the Old Testament during this school year.



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## 8th Grade

### Math

This week we graphed lines using the t-chart and intercepts. Next week we will work with slope. Quiz on Wednesday, October 20th

### Science

We are now learning about how and why certain elements bond with other elements.

### Social Studies

The eighth graders will be learning about the Dust Bowl and The New Deal next week.

### Reading

We will finish reading and discussing The Pearl next week. Students also need to find a book for the book club that addresses prejudices.

### Writing

Eighth graders will continue working on their personal narrative drafts. We will discuss modes of storytelling.

### Grammar/Vocab

The Grammar test over Verbs has been moved to Wednesday.

### Religion

We spent this week in devotions based on the Psalms and working on the Musical.

## Quad Notes

**SAVE THE DATE!** We have started practicing for our fall musical, *The Star Factor!* The musical will be held on Friday, **November 12th**.

**Starting Monday, October 11th, Messiah students will have the opportunity to take part in a fundraiser in conjunction with Messiah's annual golf tournament. Students will be able to purchase tickets for \$1 each with their homeroom teacher's name on it. These tickets will be folded and placed in a jar, and on October 22nd a winner will be randomly selected. The winning class will get a popcorn and movie party in the gym! There is no limit to the amount of tickets that can be purchased. Let's DO This!**