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Vocabulary Study and Homework

A vocabulary quiz is scheduled for next Friday, February 2.

Mid Term Exams

Students will take midterm exams on Tuesday, January 23 (ELA and Science) and Wednesday, January 24 (Social Studies and Math). The exams will assess students knowledge and understanding of concepts taught over the course of Semester One (Marking Periods One and Two). Sixth graders have received and reviewed strategies for properly preparing for an exam. All classwork and previous class tests will be especially helpful for reviewing class content.

Following our winter break students received a study guide for both Science and Social Studies. They may develop a "notes page" for each midterm, so long as the notes are handwritten on one lined piece of paper. They may record notes on both sides of the piece of paper.

There is no study guide for ELA. Our writing exam will assess students understanding of composing an argument paragraph and skills studied while completing our 5-A-Day language review and other grammar lessons. The reading portion will assess various reading comprehension strategies practiced during the school year.

Half Day

Students are dismissed this Friday at 11:30.

Annual Chili Cook-off and Winter Fun Night

Friday, February 9 at 6:30 p.m.

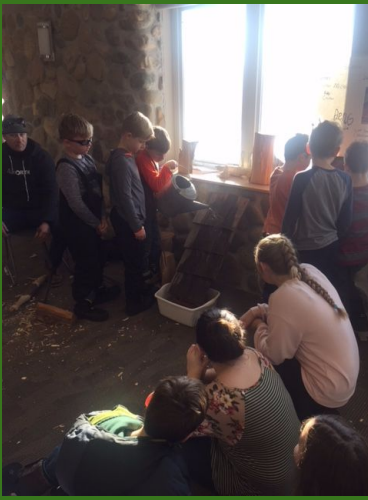
Madagascar Musical

Middle school theater students will present the musical, Madagascar Jr. on January 31- February 2 at 7 p.m. Tickets can be purchased through the main office.



Winter Studies Day was a blast!





Sweetheart Ball Thursday, February 8, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

This is a sixth grade fundraiser, volunteers are Needed! A handout with details will go home this week explaining our expectations for this event. We have set up a sign-up genius link for each family to sign up to donate an item for the event. If you have any questions, please contact us.
Thank you!



Please make sure your child has a good supply of pencils to start off our second semester. Also, please make sure your child is not in need of a new math notebook or other important supplies like folders. Around this time of year, students folders start to fall apart. Thank you for your support!



Classroom Corner

MATH: Each day your child will receive a math assignment. Please check your child's classroom calendar to stay informed on what lesson your child is completing.

SOCIAL STUDIES: In Social Studies, sixth graders will continue to examine the five themes of geography: Location, Place, Movement (of people and goods), Human-Environment Interaction and Regions. Students will learn about various forms of government. They are expected to be familiar with forms of government found in the Western Hemisphere and compare them to our form of government.

SCIENCE: In Science, students will continue the Solid Earth Unit of study. Students will learn the cause and effects of earthquakes and volcanoes. Students should also have an understanding how natural forces, such as earthquakes and volcanoes are constantly changing and reshaping earth's surface. Additionally, students will learn about earth's structure and complete a study of the three types of rocks: Igneous, Metamorphic and Sedimentary. Students will also learn about the effects of weathering and erosion on earth's surface.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS: We will continue reading aloud *Harris and Me* by Gary Paulsen. Students will continue the novel study, *Tuck Everlasting*, by Natalie Babbitt. As a class we will read and discuss each chapter. Students are expected to respond in writing for each day's reading to check for understanding and comprehension of the text. In writing, students will learn the fundamentals to composing an argument paragraph. Additionally, students will learn how to develop different types of sentences, use commas correctly and cite facts from outside sources.

40 BOOK READING CHALLENGE: Our challenge as a middle school teaching team is for all students in grades 6-8 to independently read 40 books this school year. Students will have access to our school library and classroom books Monday through Thursday from 8:20-8:45. Students are expected to be reading at home daily for 30 minutes.

