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UCMS NEWS

Week of November 5, 2018

Calendar

Mon.
Tues
Wed.
Thurs.
Fri. School Social 6-8

Menu

Mon. Cheeseburger, French fries, baked beans, applesauce
Tues. Popcorn chicken, onion rings, broccoli, mixed fruit
Wed. Spaghetti, garlic toast, green beans, salad, mandarin oranges
Thurs. Chicken chunks, mac & cheese, carrots, peaches
Fri. Philly steak, tater tots, corn, pineapple

FROM THE ADMINISTRATION:

Our first school social will be Friday, November 9th from 6-8!

Sewing Workshop – Christmas tree Ornaments!
Mon, Nov. 12th from 3:30-5pm
UCMS Art Room
Please let Mrs. Persinger know if you plan on attending.

Students that still need to turn in uniforms: Cross Country-Ty Elleman, Bradley Meadows, Ethan Powers, Amelia Cannon and Maggie Hall.

Volleyball- Hanna Vaughn, Chloe Greene, Elyse Peters, Brooke Fields, Hailey Tidwell, Amber Soper, Bailey Mathews, Whitney King, Jenna Elliott and Hallie Hughes.

Classroom News:

Mrs. Snyder – 6th LA – 6th grade Language Arts class is studying characters. Students are looking at how character actions, words, and thoughts define a character. Students are also working on RACE in class. RACE is used to provide evidence for answers. Ask your student what each letter stands for! Period 3 is utilizing Canvas to hold class discussions. The students enjoy responding to the interpretive question and then reading their classmates response. We use this as a tool to grow our conversations in class and develop a Socratic Seminar.

Mr. Taylor – 6th Social Studies – 6th Grade SS- Students have began learning about the early history of the US and why our country looks like and acts the way it does. Students have also continued to learn about current events. Next week we will focus on the United States West of the Mississippi.

Mr. Taylor-7th LA- 7th Grade LA- Students have been working on linking verbs and soon we will begin working on prepositions. Next week we HOPE to start reading our novel, The Outsiders.

Mr. Gulley – PE/Health - Doing worksheets on lesson 4 & 5
Then we will have a Test on Chapter 1

Mrs. Fields – 6th Math –Period 2 - We worked with perimeter and area of triangles, rectangles, parallelograms and trapezoids this week. We will jump into solving one step equations next week!! We will start with whole numbers, but will quickly begin solving equations with decimals and fractions.
Period 3, 4, 6 – We spent a good chunk of the week focusing on adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing mixed numbers. It isn't easy, but most of us discovered if we followed the notes and examples in our Math Journal we were able to do it!! We wrapped up a review of Order of Operations too. We are pretty good at it, if we can avoid the silly calculation errors. Next week we will move on to converting between fractions, decimals and percent's!

Mr. Hofmann– 6th Science -Students have started a new unit of Waves. We have been looking at the difference in Sound vs Light waves. Can they explain to you what a Longitudinal wave is compared to a Transverse wave? They have created both of these by using a Slinky.

Miss Severance – 7th Language Arts – This week students took their linking verb quiz, received a new vocabulary list to learn, worked on prepositions, and prepared for their book reports due next week. Next week, we will be doing book reports as well as starting a novel.

Mr. Bruns – 7th Social Studies –This week the students began working on group projects over the 11 major Chinese Dynasties. We will be working on these for the next week. Presentations begin next Tuesday.

Mrs. Dannaker – 7th Science-We will wrap up our life science unit next week. Our earth science unit should arrive on Friday. We are looking forward to starting something new!

Mrs. Persinger – Art - Mrs. Persinger – 8th Art
Second period will finish building their clay teapots on Monday and then begin working on their color wheel project. Third period will spend the week building their clay teapots and finishing on Friday. Fourth, fifth, and sixth period classes will continue their color wheel projects and finish them on Friday. Sketchbook assignment #3 will be due on Friday, November 9th! A few students have not turned in their signed syllabus (due Fri, Oct 19th), so they will be assigned lunch detentions beginning on Monday, November 5th until they are returned.

Mrs. Graham - 7th Math-ALL classes are reviewing graphing inequalities. We will quiz late next week.

The Math-RED, GREEN and ORANGE classes are finishing up our discussion of proportions. We will practice through some station work and then move on. We will be working with integers next.

The Math-YELLOW and BLUE classes have quizzed on positive and negative fractions, decimals, integers and mixed #s. Students did a good job persevering through this difficult computation. Next week we will begin solving equations.

Mrs. Goodwin – 7th Business - 7th Grade Business: Students will continue to study business communication this week. Students will learn some grammar rules and formatting rules to use in business

writing. Students will practice letter writing skills and compose a letter. As usual, students will have business terminology to learn during the week and take a quiz on Friday.

Mrs. Sutter – 8th Language Arts – Students have been identifying sentences and sentence fragments. They are studying four different sentence types: declarative, imperative, interrogative, and exclamatory. They will be reading the short story “Last Night” by Fae Myemme Mg and focusing on figurative language. Please support your student with their independent reading by making sure they are enjoying their current novel, and if not helping them find one they will enjoy at the public library. Each Wednesday they read independently in the library. Their next novel and reading strategy paragraph/genre bingo is due 11/16. (4th hour 12/14.)

Ms. Estep – 8th Math – 8th Grade Math- Students are continuing to learn about the real number system. There are still some students without a scientific calculator. It is a required material for the class. Please ensure your child has all they need to be successful. Don't hesitate to contact me if there is a need.

Algebra- Students have been applying the 4 step problem solving method to word problems. They will start solving inequalities in one variable soon. There are still some students without a scientific calculator. It is a required material for the class. Please ensure your child has all they need to be successful. Don't hesitate to contact me if there is a need.

Mrs. Crumley – 8th Science – We have started our study of the structure of the periodic table so we can start chemistry.

Mr. Gutzwiller – 8th Social Studies – The Wall of Honor is now on display through the week of November 12th! The students did a wonderful job with it this year and I invite you to come in to see their work to honor our heroes! This week, students worked on a 5W1H formula to help construct summary paragraphs. In addition, we examined the importance of the Battles at Trenton and Princeton. We also brought famous painting of Washington crossing the Delaware River to life by examining it through our senses of smell, taste, seeing, hearing, and feeling! We had some interesting interpretations on this activity! We are now setting the stage for our next reenactment: Saratoga! Look for unit three exam in the next few weeks!

Mr. Nash-8th AG- We are finalizing learning about FFA. Animal science is next.

Mrs. Allbright – Choir-Happy November- the Choir Booster fundraiser for warm glow candles has started and runs through November 10. These orders and money MUST be turned in by the deadline in order to have these items delivered before Winter Break. Each choir student will receive 20% of their sales in their account which may be used for the annual King's Island trip or a new shirt, should they need one, or a high school outfit, should they participate in high school choir. Accounts travel with them but may only be used for these items for the student. After leaving the choir department or upon graduation, these funds are used for the choir booster support of the choir in terms of music and electronics used in concerts.

Mr. Vogele – Band -8th grade passed of the Concert A 5-note scale and began our “repertoire sight-reading” project with a requested piece called The Tempest. Now that we are out of the book, we will attempt to read and rehearse one piece of accessible concert music every 5-10 school days.

7th grade worked on the songs from Unit 5 in our rhythm book, and began looking at Lesson 2 in our ensemble method book. This week's in-class pass-off was the Concert G Major 4-note scale.

6th grade finished all G clef ranges, had a chance to make-up missing participation points, and tried the clarinet. We will rotate to the final exploratory section on Monday, and students will receive information about joining band after Thanksgiving.

Ms. Bryant –We will be wrapping up our social behavior mapping next week with the "blue zone". Then we will move on to "Me in My Zones" and will dig deeper into what each one of these zones look like and talk about things that we can do to get out of those zones or stay in them. As always, check your child's communication notebook and/or Canvas and PowerSchool for specifics on your child.

Mrs. Lathery –Our class has been working hard to get back on track after fall break. We are catching up on IXL lessons and making great progress! We are all still working on our individual goals and striving to do our best. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Mrs. Weaver-Library- SPELL BOWL

The Spell Bowl team placed 1st at our area competition Tuesday, October 30th. Scores will now be compared statewide to determine qualifiers for the finals at Purdue University later this month. Congratulations to our spellers! Hard work pays off!

BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair was a huge success. Sales from the sale earned 65 new books for our library. Thanks to those of you who helped make that possible!

Athletics