

The 6th Grade Team



December 11, 2013

Important Dates

December 12 Finals Begin

December 19 Last day of 2nd Qtr. 2:30 Dismissal

December 20 No School

January 6 School Resumes

REMINDERS

- Students should have a supply of PENCILS and PENS for class!
- Please check your child's planner daily for homework assignments!
- Please save and send BOXTOPS
- Please send boxes of tissues. We need them desperately.

RESOURCES

•21st Century is an after school program that meets Monday-Thursday at JMS. Students have an opportunity to work on homework and receive extra help from teachers. Applications are available in the main office!

•* A great online tool to use for step-by-step video explanations as well as some practice and application problems for math is:
www.khanacademy.org

Grammar Challenge: Find 3 mistakes in the paragraph below and write the corrections on the back of this page.

Argumentative writing is hard too do. You need to support you're own opinion with details. You also have to acknowledge the other side?

CONTACT INFORMATION

The best time to contact anyone is between 9:30 and 11 am each day. The phone number for JMS is (217)585-5810.

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FEEDBACK/INPUT

Please feel free to share any comments, questions or concerns in the space below:

Please write your answers to the Grammar Challenge below. Sign and return the top portion to your language arts teacher to get 5 points extra credit in language arts.

Mistakes I found in the Grammar Challenge: _____

Student Name

Parent Signature

6TH GRADE TEAM UPDATES

Mrs. Goss-Rodgers and Ms. Joost

We will begin the third quarter by studying the order of operations. Students will then focus on combining terms. Students should bring pencils, binder, and paper each day. The math final will be on Tuesday, December 17 and Wednesday, December 18.

Mrs. Beebe and Mr. Gass - Students just finished a review on argumentative writing and a district test. We will begin our next unit after break- Folklore: A Blast from the Past. We will study folklore and mythology from many cultures to answer the question: How is folklore simultaneously revealing and limiting? The language arts final is Monday, December 16.

Mrs. Wash

Science classes are working on Chapter 3 Matter and its Changes. Students are learning about how physical and chemical properties and changes cause the states of matter to move through its states: solid, liquid, and gas. Students are doing several hands on labs and experiments to apply the scientific method to the states of matter. Students are finishing the chapter project: Baby Book for an Element. The science final is Friday, December 13.

Ms. Wells

We've begun our unit covering Ancient Greece. We'll be learning about Athens, Sparta, and their struggles with the Persians. After winter break we'll be working on an ABC Greek presentation. Students have begun to collect data for this project. The history final is Friday, December 13.

Mrs. Gerdes (Regular Ed. Initiative - REI)

Please see my website for additional support and information on how to prepare for upcoming tests. Click on Resources for games and links to help with keyboarding, math skills, word games, and general knowledge that will help in the classroom.

Mrs. Lamb (Regular Ed. Initiative - REI)

I look forward to working with your students in the coming months. They have been working well with their core classes. Study hard for finals this week/ next week. Please feel free to call or email me if you have any questions or concerns.

Ms. Miller

Please feel free to call or email with any questions. We are currently working on our community safety and grocery words. We are working with money in the classroom, and hopefully will get a few field trips planned to take our money skills out in the community. Our class is practicing good hygiene, and how to stay healthy!

Mrs. Sullivan

Our history final will be on Friday, December 13th and the language arts final Monday, December 16th. Please have your student study his/her Cornell Notes each night this week.

Mrs. Flanagan

We are starting a unit on division in math and our science final will be on Friday, December 13th. Math final will be on Wednesday, December 18th.