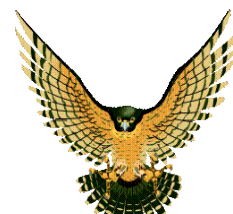


MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

SNOWY RANGE ACADEMY

**WEEK OF
AUG. 29- SEPT. 2
2016**



MIDDLE SCHOOL NOTES

*Academic Excellence,
Character Education, and
Fairness for All*

Welcome to the Middle School Weekly News.
In this publication you will find a synopsis of topics your student is covering in each subject. If you wish to locate homework please log in to your student's Power School account. Should you need to contact a teacher, you may email them via email, provided below.

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SIXTH GRADE

LANGUAGE ARTS

In sixth grade, the students will take a grammar baseline and be introduced to four-level sentence analysis. Also they will be given a writing baseline assignment and take their first spelling quiz on Friday, including several Latin and Greek roots.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Welcome back! For this week the class will be reviewing Spatial Sense. We will be looking at world geography, climates, latitude, longitude and time zones. The students will have homework Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights.

SCIENCE

This week we will begin our Circulatory system unit. We will study the parts and functions of the circulatory system. We will also study the parts of the heart and the types of blood vessels. There will be no homework this week.

SPANISH 1A

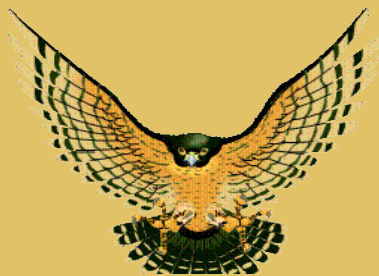
This week in Spanish class we will be reviewing the following: greeting people and saying goodbye, introducing ourselves and friends, and pronouncing the letters of the Spanish alphabet,. Homework will be in the form of handouts until we move past the preliminary unit and into the core units for each level. Please don't hesitate to email me if you should have any questions. ¡Gracias!

MATH 8/7

Welcome to the first full week of school. It was great meeting many of you at Back to School Night! We will begin the normal math routine. This week, students will learn about counting numbers, natural numbers, whole numbers, and integers. We will discuss the parts of arithmetic problems and properties of operations. Students will take the Saxon baseline exam. The Saxon baseline exam measures student progress five times throughout the year. Grades are regularly posted on PowerSchool. Please stay up-to-date with your child's grades by regularly checking PowerSchool. If your child is absent, you can use PowerSchool to see the assignment that they missed. I look forward to teaching your child!

PRE-ALGEBRA

Welcome to the first full week of school. It was great meeting many of you at Back to School Night! We will begin the normal math routine. This week, students will learn about categorizing numbers, parts of arithmetic problems, and solving addition and subtraction word problems. Students will take the Saxon baseline exam. The Saxon baseline exam measures student progress five times throughout the year. Grades are regularly posted on PowerSchool. Please stay up-to-date with your child's grades by regularly checking PowerSchool. If your child is absent, you can use PowerSchool to see the assignment that they missed. I look forward to teaching your child!



SEVENTH GRADE

LANGUAGE ARTS

The seventh graders will begin their essay unit by reading and discussing Orwell's "Shooting an Elephant." They will review and apply reading strategies and take their first spelling quiz Friday over the words organization through angle, plus several Latin and Greek roots.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Welcome back! This week in class we will be starting America Becomes a World Power. We will look at Alfred T. Mahan and his influence on the U.S. navy and the Annexation of Hawaii. The students can expect to have homework on Wednesday night.

SCIENCE

This week we will begin our Cell Division unit. We will review the parts of cells and how they work together. We will then study the structure of DNA in the nucleus, the cell cycle and mitosis. There will be one night of homework on Monday.

SPANISH 1B

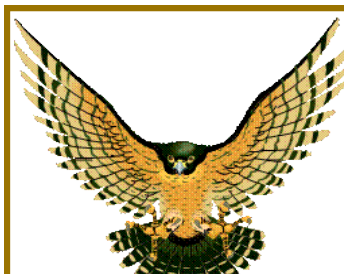
This week in Spanish class, we will be reviewing greetings, definite and indefinite articles and conjugating the verb *ser*. We will also be practicing how to describe others and ourselves and how to express likes and dislikes. Homework will be in the form of handouts until we move past the preliminary unit and into the core units for each level. Please don't hesitate to email me if you should have any questions. ¡Gracias!

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ALGEBRA I

Welcome back to another school year! This week in Algebra I we will be starting off learning about sets of numbers and parts of expressions. We will finish the week by taking our Baseline Exam. This exam will be taken five times throughout the year to measure progress in the Algebra I class. Signed permission slips and expectation sheets are due on Wednesday.



EIGHTH GRADE

LANGUAGE ARTS

In eighth grade, they will begin their short fiction unit by reading “Dr. Heidegger’s Experiment” and learn about the Romantic Period of literature. They will have their first spelling quiz on Friday.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Welcome back! This week we will be exploring the Fall of the British Empire. We will review the British Empire as a whole and then move on to look at how people lived during the empire. We will also be debating the influence of the British Empire. On Friday the students will learn about the British Commonwealth.

SCIENCE

This week we will begin our Motion unit. We will learn how to tell if an object is moving. We will also study speed, velocity, and acceleration of objects. There will be on night of homework on Tuesday that will not be due until Friday.

SPANISH 2

This week in Spanish class we will be reviewing the following themes: summer activities, identifying and describing people, using *tener* and *estar* to describe how we feel, and the difference between *ser* and *estar*. Homework will be in the form of handouts until we move past the preliminary lessons and into the core units for each level. Please don’t hesitate to email me if you should have any questions. ¡Gracias!

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GEOMETRY

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