

October 11, 2021 – News for English 4

What we're studying: We are practicing **research skills** to find strong sources to support our arguments.

What families can do to support learning: Ask your student about “red flags” that tell them when a source they’ve found is not a strong one.

Important deadlines: Deadline to register for the December ACT is November 5th.

If you have any questions or concerns, I’m here! **I update grades on the parent portal every Friday afternoon.** You can reach me at 555-5555 or by replying to this email.

Mr. Smith

October 11, 2021

Geometry News

What we're studying: **Parallel and perpendicular** lines

What you can do to support learning: Lots of your students have been telling me about their driving lessons. As you’re teaching your student to parallel park, ask them about how what they’re learning in geometry applies to their driving.

Other news: Local College Math Department offers **free walk-in math tutoring** for the community at 6PM on Thursday evenings.

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Ms. Harris

October 11, 2021 – 6th grade English

What we're reading: We are finishing our unit on *Holes*. All students should be finished reading the book by this Friday.

What families can do to support learning: If your student is behind on their reading, you can help them make a plan to get back on track.

Life Skills: We've been learning about how to use a planner to plan our studying. Here's a link to an article for families about how students can use a planner in middle school: [How Planners Help Students Learn Organizational Skills](#)

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Mr. Smith

October 11, 2021 – 7th grade social studies

What we're studying: the economic systems of the Incas

What you can do to support learning: Ask your student to tell you about one part of the Incan system that is completely unlike our own and one part that is like our own.

Life Skills: We learned how to use a **unit study guide to study for a test**. Help your child set aside some time this week to use the guide to study for our test on Monday.

If you have any questions or concerns, I'm here! You can reach me at 555-5555 or by replying to this email. I will have grades posted for our unit test by next Friday. If you have concerns about your student's grades for the nine weeks, please schedule a conference by replying to this email.

Ms. Harris

December 6

Kindergarten News!

What we're learning in math: We are reviewing our **shapes** before Christmas. Ask your child to find shapes around your home.

What we're learning in writing: We are **printing our lowercase letters** this week. You can help by making sure your child has pencil and paper to play with at home.

Other news: We are going out for recess every day. **If your child needs a coat or mittens**, please reply to this message or contact our Family Resource Center at 999-9999

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Mr. Harris

October 11, 2021

Looking forward to another wonderful week in **4th grade language arts!**

What we're learning: We are finishing our **opinion articles** for the class newspaper.

What families can do to support learning: Ask your student to show you their article. **Ask them what they are proud of** in the article and what they want to improve.

Other news: School pictures are **Friday!**

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Mrs. Smith

WHAT WE'RE Learning

SKILL Focus 6th Grade

LANGUAGE ARTS	Characterization
SOCIAL STUDIES	Byzantine Empire
SCIENCE	Rock Cycle
MATH	Area and Surface Area
OTHER	

SKILL Focus 7th Grade

LANGUAGE ARTS	theme, inference
SOCIAL STUDIES	The Protestant Reformation
SCIENCE	Energy
MATH	Similar Figures
OTHER	

SKILL Focus 8th Grade

LANGUAGE ARTS	parts of speech, mechanics
SOCIAL STUDIES	Civil War
SCIENCE	Human Impact in the Environment
MATH	Scatter Plots: Unit Quiz/Yearly Review
OTHER	

IMPORTANT Dates

This Week

April 25, 2022

- **Midterms:**
Monday, April 25th
4th Term will be mailed home.
- **Leader in Me:**
Habit 6:
Synergize

Freshmen

- Math: Nonlinear Functions (Comparing)
- Science: Weathering and Erosion
- Social Studies: Russian Empire
- English: Continue reading the Odyssey focusing on Guided Reading Questions/Figurative Language/Analyzing the Epic Form

Sophomores

- Math: Similarity & Congruence Theorems (SSS, SAS, ASA, AAS, AA)
- Science: Heredity
- Social Studies: Yalta Conference
- English: Owls can analyze a text and make a clear claim using textual support

Juniors

- Math: Financial Literacy - Budgets
- Science: Chemical Bonding
- Social Studies: WW2 (Data Based Questioning)
- English: Owls can intentionally break down a writing prompt and respond utilizing textual support and effective language conventions

Seniors

- Math: Financial Literacy - Virtual Business Management Topics: Accounting, Pricing & Sales, Operations Management
- English: Reading "The Call of the Wild" focusing on Vocabulary, Culture of Alaska and the Yukon Territory during the end of the 19th Century/Active Reading Guide/Analyzing Literature
- Submit Google Form & Pay for Prom Tickets!

Electives

- Agriculture: Plant propagations, animal care, plant transplanting lab, goat care lab
- Arts & Humanities: Little Shop of Horror Set Design & Music; Spring Concert
- Digital Literacy/Office Admin: Microsoft Office Certification in Word/Excel
- Journalism: Oral History Project
- Spanish 1: Weather Expressions Spanish 2: Computers

Important Dates this week...

Monday, April 18
Gear Up Trip to
Somerset/Lineman School



~ April 23 ~ 9:00 am
Spring Clean-Up Event



***Progress reports due Mon., 4/25**

Thursday, April 21
FFA Officer Elections



Saturday, April 23
FFA Meal Fundraiser
Chess Tournament

***KPREP Testing**
May 9 - 17

