

March 15, 2024

Dear Sixth Grade Parents,

We hope you all have a wonderful, sunny, St. Patrick's Day weekend. Report cards will be sent out next week, on March 22nd. We appreciate all of the hard work students put in leading up to report cards; the effort truly shows in their final grades. For the last trimester, we want to encourage your children to persevere and put some extra focus on those classes that they can improve in. We also wish you a happy start to Spring next week. The sunshine has been truly rejuvenating this week.

# **Homeroom Updates:**

# **Lenten Service Project and Free Dress Fridays:**

We appreciate all who have participated in Free Dress Fridays to help support Father Dunstan and his school in Kenya. The dollars have been adding up and our efforts are going to really help those in need. Thank you!

We will continue supporting the local men's shelter in Seattle, St. Martin de Porres. Only 1 more week to donate. This is optional as well, but we encourage participation if possible. We will deliver the donations from our school to St. Martins each of these Fridays.

#### Fri. March 22nd:

Last Names A-L: Men's deodorant (regular or travel sized) or Brown Bag Lunches (perishable OK)

Last Names M-Z: Men's deodorant (regular or travel sized) or Brown Bag Lunches (perishable OK)

**Rice Bowls:** Thank you in advance for making any contribution. Please note, do not put your family name on the rice bowl.

**Egg Cartons:** Students will be learning about the last supper soon, and we still need a few empty egg cartons for a project. Our goal is two dozen, full-sized egg cartons. Send with your child ASAP. Thank you.

**Bingo Night:** Drop the kids for two hours (6-8pm) on Friday, April 12th for a fun evening of Bingo. This is for KIDS ONLY, so parents make dinner reservations and enjoy a dinner at one of our local eateries.

Kindergarten - 4th graders take over the gym.

5th - 8th graders will have the run of the school hall.

Students are treated to pizza before playing bingo. Prizes are won and every student walks away with a free dress pass at the end of the night. Don't let your kids miss out, this is the EVENT OF THE YEAR at HRS...for the kids anyway!

Cost: \$50 per student

Space is limited and this event WILL SELL OUT, so sign up today!

# **Curriculum Updates:**

# Math (Mrs. H):

Monday: \*10.2 Measures of Variation (work day)

Tuesday: \*10.3 Mean Absolute Deviation

Wednesday: \*10.4 Box Plots

Thursday: \*10.5 Biased and Unbiased Data

Friday: \*10.6 Simple Probability

**Math (Mrs. C):** We have been learning to find the area of parallelograms and triangles. Next week students will learn how to find the area of a trapezoid and composite figures. It is very important students use their formulas for this chapter. They will need to show their work and plug in the information available to solve problems. This is a very short chapter. Students will most likely have a test the week before spring break.

#### Math (Mr. W):

Hello HRS families! Next week we will continue chapter 8: Functions and Inequalities.

Monday: 8.6 Write and Graph Inequalities Tuesday: 8.7 Solve One-Step Inequalities Wednesday-Thursday: Chapter Review

Friday: Chapter 8 Test Have a great weekend!

**ELA:** Students tried blackout poetry this week and did a wonderful job! They took a page from The Giver and strategically blacked out words to make a poem with the words left on the page. It is so amazing to see so many different outcomes! We will start analyzing our March Madness poems next week. Students had the opportunity to get familiar with each poem this week and filled out their brackets. I love hearing the buzz and excitement in the classroom, and it's all about POETRY!!!

**Social Studies:** Next week we will move on to our study of the Ancient Greeks. We will first learn about the 12 major Greek gods and goddesses and Mythology. On Thursday March 28th I will be explaining the Ancient Civilizations Wax Museum and the rubric. Students will be coming to class that day with a list of their "Top 15" picks. Then we will pick sticks to select who they will be for the Wax Museum. Please read the explanation below regarding the Ancient Civilization Wax Museum.

Description of Event: ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS WAX MUSEUM May 23, 2024

• The Ancient Civilization Wax Museum is a culminating event for 6th Grade Social Studies. The sixth grade Social Studies curriculum focuses on the study of various ancient civilizations. At the end of the year, each student researches a famous ancient Mesopotamian, Egyptian, Greek or Roman of history or Myth. They Memorize the "Four W's" (Who, What, When, Where) about the person or god(dess); and recreate him/her by dressing as the person or god(dess). They also practice mannerisms consistent with the person's or god(dess) character for a wax museum of the ancient civilizations. Then we perform in the hallways of our school. Each student has a "Button" that they create. As a museum visitor passes by they can press the button to indicate when the sixth grader can start the presentation. The Wax Museum is on May 23, 2024. Parents and relatives are all welcome to attend at one of the following times. Please note the schedule:

9:00 am - 11:00am - Students will be presenting in the hallways.

11:00 - 12:00 Break for Lunch and Recess

12:05 - 1:40 - Students will be presenting in the hallways.

**Science:** Students will describe how the sky changes as they travel north or south. Students will use a model of a historical navigational tool to discover how measurements taken with these instruments can be used to determine the observer's latitude. Students will identify different constellations in the night sky and create a constellation of their choice.

**Religion:** 6th graders will continue to work on their Last Supper project. They will make a guide for their presentation. We will also talk about Holy Week. They will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Friday, 3/22/24.

#### **Calendar Updates:**

- Mar 20th Parens Club Meeting
- Mar 22nd Report Cards
- Mar 22nd 8th Grade Pizza Lunch
- Mar 29th Noon Dismissal
- Apr 1st-5th Spring Break
- April 12th Bingo Bash
- April 25-26 6th Grade Camp
- May 23rd Wax Museum

Have a wonderful weekend!

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