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**CONNECTIONS
NEWSLETTER**

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Weeks of October 17th- –October 28th...

BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY NEWS...

Greetings Parents!! 6th grade students will continue in the Computer Applications Unit with a focus on Microsoft Word– Business Letter Writing and PowerPoint– Enhancing PowerPoints. Additionally, 7th Grade students will continue in the Computer Applications Unit with a focus Microsoft Word– Newsletters and begin work in Microsoft Excel-Calculating Spreadsheets. Lastly, 8th grade

students will continue working in the Financial Literacy Unit with a focus on “Personal Finance (My Personal Budget) & Economics”.



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MARKETING NEWS...



Week of October 17-21, 2016 Sixth grade students will continue their study of business organizations. On Monday, they will conclude their study of limited and general partnerships and corporations.

Seventh grade students will continue with their study of the

seven functions of marketing. They will apply their knowledge to assess business scenarios.

Eighth grade students will have an on-line take-home test. The test will be available on Monday, and due by Friday. In class, students will begin their study of hospitality, travel, and tourism.

Week of October 24-28, 2016 Sixth grade students will begin preparation for their business organization quiz, which will take place on Thursday and Friday. **Seventh grade** students will be assessed on their knowledge of the seven functions of marketing.. **Eighth grade** students will continue with their study of hospitality, travel, and tourism with project-based learning.

Special points of interest:

- Student-Led Conferences
- Thursday 10/27th (5:00-pm7:00pm)
- Friday 10/28th (7:45am-8:00am)

BAND NEWS...

Band students completed their Cookie Dough Fundraiser. 6th grade have learned five notes so far and are progressing quickly! 7th and 8th grade have performed at two home football games, a pep rally, and are preparing for their Winter Band Concert on December 7th!



CHORUS NEWS...

Students are continuing to build a strong foundation to produce excellent singing! We are continuing to emphasize the importance of warm-ups, posture and breathing techniques. Students are now able to tell me the 7 elements of good posture and elaborate on each element. In addition, students are now able to discuss the importance of proper breathing techniques and are demonstrating how to take a "singer's breath".



ENGINEERING/AUDIO VISUAL NEWS...

6th Grade Engineering Technology

Students will continue learning about the Engineering Design Process. Students will learn how the EDP is applied to the creation of a product.



7th Grade Engineering Technology

Students will conclude with Google Sketch-Up and begin learning about the Engineering Design Process along with the concepts of Invention & Innovation.

8th Grade Engineering Technology

Students will learn how to apply the Engineering Design Process to a given scenario. Students will continue with robotics.

READING/MATH CONNECTIONS NEWS...

In Reading Connections we are continuing to work on Reading Comprehension and Fluency. Students have been registered with an account for www.newsela.com so they can read non-fiction articles on various topics and take a quiz. These articles are leveled by Lexile so students can read on their current Lexile level. Students should be reading daily to help increase vocabulary exposure and comprehension levels.



The Math

Connection classes are continuing to show focus and dedication. Students are asked to log into ST Math at home and complete at least 45 minutes of work. Students will be working on their objective that have been specifically assigned to them through ST Math. In addition students will receive support in the classroom to ensure success.



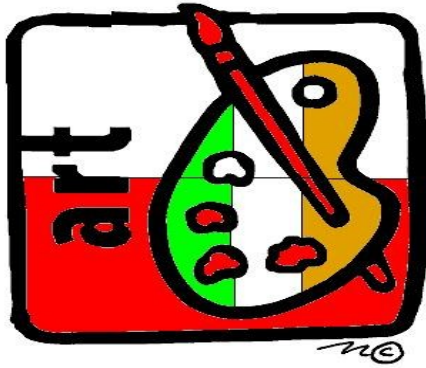
SPANISH & SPANISH-I NEWS...

Spanish 6th and 7th grade connections classes will be introduced to a new cultural unit: El dia de los Muertos. There will be a project assigned to show knowledge and understanding of this celebration with multiple choices on how to reach the cultural standard in regards of El Dia de los Muertos. Students will be introduced to some more Holidays in Spanish and they will be learning a song that will help them to remember all the calendar information. Also, students will relate colors to the Spanish speaking countries flags.

In Spanish I (Advanced), Students will be practicing how to ask and tell about their favorite activities with the verb GUSTAR. Students will be introduced to a new cultural unit: El dia de los Muertos. There will be a project assigned to show knowledge and understanding of this celebration with multiple choices on how to reach the cultural standard in regards of El Dia de los Muertos. We will continue presenting the Spanish

Speaking countries projects. Presentations dates have been modified so please be flexible to be ready to present any time. Students will be reviewing the Spanish Alphabet with a song.





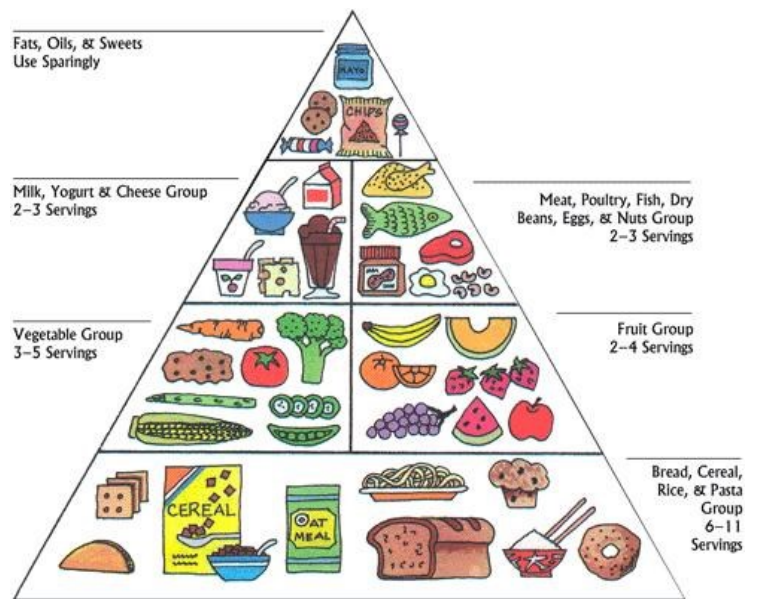
ART NEWS...

7th and 8th students will continue exploring the Principles of Art while 6th grade students explore Color Theory.

6th will continue to work on their color project

HEALTH NEWS...

7th grade health students will continue to work in Chapter-1. Students will continue to gain a thorough understanding of health and wellness. The chapter guides students in recognizing the importance of guarding and developing their own physical health, mental/emotional health, and social health.



PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS...

Fitness Gram Administration has concluded parents will receive Fitness Gram Reports before the conclusion of 1st Semester. Additionally, Physical Education students will begin their field sports unit, with a focus football, soccer and softball. Students will learn the basics of how to play and score in the areas of football, soccer and softball.

