

7th Grade Adventurer Team Weekly Newsletter

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7th Grade Counselor: Lori Qui

Week of 12/13–12/17

Upcoming Important Dates to Remember:

- SPIRIT WEEK! See calendar
- Dec. 16th= Adventurer team cookie exchange (see note below)
- Dec. 17th= Teacher workday (No School)
- Dec. 20-Jan 3rd (Winter Break)
- Jan 3rd= Teacher Work day (No School)
- Jan. 4th= 1st day of Quarter 3
- Jan. 17th= MLK Jr. Day (No School)

Adventurer Raffle Awards
Students will be eligible for raffle tickets for demonstrating the "ROK" behavior.

R: Respect

O: Ownership

K: Kindness

★ Jack T.

★ Mia

★ Emma W.

★ Lauren S.

Team Announcements

★ HOLIDAY COOKIE EXCHANGE

Hello Adventurer families!

We are SO excited to be celebrating the holiday season together and would like to invite you and your family to help us celebrate with a team cookie exchange! We will be having the exchange on the last day of school, December 16th, during our team time.

Please use this link to sign up to bring a dozen or so cookies to share with the team.

YOUR STUDENTS CAN START BRINGING THEIR TREATS TO SCHOOL AS EARLY AS MONDAY!!

- Don't feel obligated to make homemade cookies- store bought are perfectly fine!
- We want to make sure that all students leave with a dozen or so cookies(there are 130 students on our team)!!
- Feel free to donate as many cookies as you are willing and able as we want to make sure there are plenty of goodies for all our kiddos.
- PLEASE stay away from nuts to be respectful of our students with allergies. We, also, have a few students who are gluten-free, so we appreciate some donations for them!

- This is NOT mandatory by any means and your child is always free to not take any sweets should they not want any.

Feel free to reach out to Mrs. Carlile (macarlile@dcsdk12.org) regarding questions about the exchange and we appreciate your support and participation in this fun, holiday activity!

-Adventurer team

★ GRADES

- Last day of this quarter is DECEMBER 16TH!!!
- Grades will be finalized by FRIDAY Dec. 17th @ 3pm

★ CHOIR CONCERT

- Hi Rocky Heights Choir and Guitar Families! This is another reminder our next choir concert will take place, Monday, December 13th. 6th Graders will need to arrive at 6:15 to perform at 6:30 and 7th graders will need to arrive at 7:15 to perform at 7:30. Please email Mr. Smith if you have any questions or concerns!

★ SUPPLIES

- We are running a little low on the following items and appreciate any donations:
 - Tissues
 - Clorox Wipes
 - Pencils (students should be bringing their own, but we always appreciate a small surplus in case they forget)
- Students can bring these supplies to any of the CORE teachers!!
- Thank you to those that have already donated!

★ i-Ready lessons

- Students are given direct classroom time to complete their lessons and only need to complete them at home if they misuse their class time.
- Here is the rubric to help understand how we assess them (it's only work habits, NOT content knowledge)

4	2 or more lessons passed
3	1 lesson passed
2	20 minutes or more but NO lesson passed
1	Less than 20 minutes and NO lesson passed

★ NJHS

DUMB FRIENDS LEAGUE DONATION DRIVE

November 30th - December 14th

Sponsored by: NJHS

Have you ever heard of the DUMB FRIENDS LEAGUE? The Dumb Friends League is an animal shelter that houses animals in need. They give the animals a place to live, but they need some help! Rocky Heights Middle School is hosting our very own donation drive sponsored by NJHS to help gather materials for the Dumb Friends League and their animals. Below is a list of donations that we will be collecting. We are asking that students bring the materials to school from November 30th through December 14th.

Reusable rubber kitchen gloves	Shoebox Cardboard boxes
Overshoes	Toilet paper & paper towel cardboard roll
Rain gear	Any size towels (can be used)
Puppy pads	Ping Pong balls
Gallon size Ziploc bags	Dog crates (can be used)
Pill Pockets	Cat crates (can be used)
Feather Wands	Dog beds (can be used)
Toys for animals	Cat beds (can be used)
Treats & Food	Small mammal cages (can be used)

These products can be easily found at stores, or if you are willing to donate some of your own materials, that is welcome! This is a very important cause and can help our community become a better place! With this project, we are holding a school competition with a surprise prize. The team with the most donations will be the winner. For each grade level team, there will be a donation box to drop off donations!

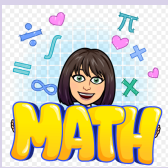
Two Week Overview of Assessments: <i>**Subject To Change- Check Google Classroom**</i>					
SPIRIT WEEK!	<u>Monday</u> Jersey Day	<u>Tuesday</u> Comfy Lodge Wear	<u>Wednesday</u> Dress like a snowflake/snowman	<u>Thursday</u> UGLY Sweater Day	Friday
This Week: 12/13-12/17	LA=Christmas Carol vocab assessment	M7 - Math Test on Multiplying & Dividing Rational Numbers	AM7 - Test on Equivalent Expressions	Cookie Exchange	NO SCHOOL Teacher Work Day
12/17 - 1/4	WINTER BREAK				

Language Arts: Megan Carlile 
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★ 12/6-12/10:

- **ALL CLASSES:** We are finishing up reading The Christmas Carol this week and closing up our discussions of charity, kindness, respect, and love during the holiday season.
- Your students are given the opportunity to complete a ROK BINGO card and live out the themes of the Christmas Carol in a real and applicable Way.
 - Ask your student about it and see how you can all celebrate this season!

★ As always, I am always looking for new books for my classroom. If you are interested, please take a look at my [Amazon wishlist!](#) ★



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Math 7:

We will be reviewing for our test on multiplying and dividing integers. The test will start on Tuesday and continue onto Wednesday if students need extra time.

Accelerated Math 7:

We will be wrapping up this unit on Monday by learning how to subtract expressions. Then students will review Tuesday and take the end of the unit test on Wednesday. The test will cover equivalent expressions.

-Science - with Ms. Swiryn

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If students are absent they can check Google Classroom to try and keep up while they are out.

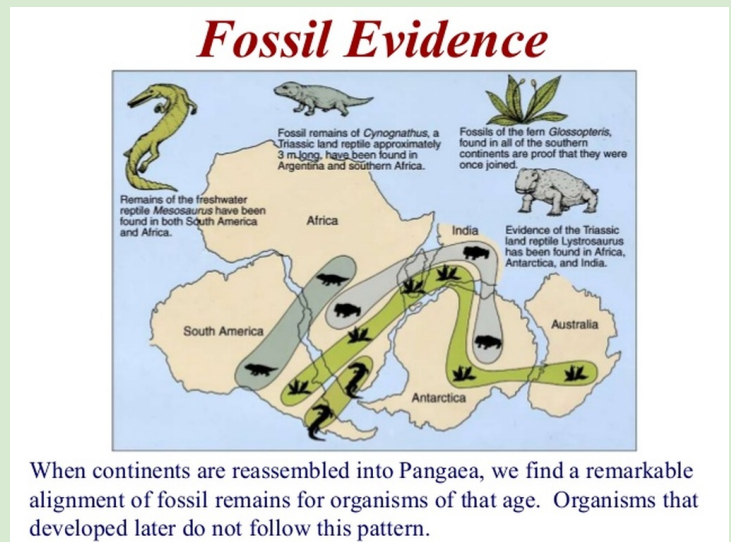
Big Idea: How can the same species of fossil be found on different continents?

Big Idea: How is the Earth's surface in constant motion?

Students took a quiz last week to finish up their Life Science Standards (#9)

We are now into our Earth Science standards. We are starting with evidence for Plate Tectonics (Earth Science #5) This time around the fossils will be PROOF that the continents are in motion and were in fact all connected at one point.

We are also setting up a basic understanding of HOW the Earth's surface is in constant motion. Sometimes slow (continental drift) and sometimes very fast (earthquakes and volcanoes).



Social Studies

We will be finishing up our Greek Unit this week. Students have come a long way learning about citizenship in Ancient Greece and how it affected how people lived particularly in Athens and Sparta. This week will be wrapping up assignments we have started last week and reviewing old information before break. Have a wonderful Winter Break!

T= Turned in and completed

IC= Incomplete

M= Missing

Thank you for all your support at home. If you would like to contribute to the classroom I would greatly appreciate it. A few supplies we run through quickly are:

-Colored Pencils

-Crayons

-Scissors

7TH GRADE WELLNESS (PE/HEALTH) - Ms. Temple

Email: kmtemple@dcsdk12.org

Please click on the link below to see the daily assignments if you have Ms. Temple as your wellness teacher. (PE/HEALTH)
All assignments will be updated weekly. If you have any questions about your assignment, please email me.

Link to Ms. Temple's Webpage: [Link to Webpage](#)

7TH GRADE WELLNESS (PE/HEALTH) - Mr. Osowski

Please check my website for our weekly schedule. [Click Here](#)

Please email me if you have any questions or concerns @
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