

7th Grade Update

October 29, 2018

Grade Level Notes

Quarter 1 ends Oct. 30th. Check PowerSchool for your child's grades. If you do not have access to PowerSchool, please visit the [Homebase Information](#) page on our website or contact our Student Services office.

Quarter 2 begins Oct. 31st.

Our Grade Level Quarter 1 Celebration is Friday, Nov. 2nd. This is part of our Positive Behavior Support Program (PBIS). Our students look forward to these quarterly events. It is a great time to celebrate our 7th graders for working hard to complete their school work and making good choices that keep them out of discipline problems.

Also on Friday, November 2nd, we are excited to announce that our 7th graders have a special learning opportunity. Our English/Language Arts team is hosting guest speakers. The speakers will share their perspectives as refugees— a great connection to the *A Long Walk to Water* unit the students have been working on in class.

Did you know that your child has access to homework information for each core class through their school Google Homework Calendar? Have your child login and show you the homework calendar.

Study Tip: Encourage your child to start studying for tests beginning with the first day of a unit. Taking just 5 minutes per class to re-read notes and make flashcards will help them rehearse what they are learning in class. Come test time, they will be prepared.

Congratulations! Join us in congratulating Ms. Wilkinson. She was selected as a Semi-Finalist for our MPMS Teacher of the Year 2018-19.

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Upcoming Dates

End of Quarter 1	Oct. 30
Start of Quarter 2	Oct. 31
Quarter 1 PBIS Celebration	Nov. 2
Guest Speakers	Nov. 2
2-Hour Delay/ Election Day	Nov. 6
Girls Soccer & Volleyball @ home	Nov. 7
Football @ home	Nov. 8
Veteran's Day/ No School	Nov. 12



7th Grade Class Updates: Language Arts

Last week, students worked on a two voice poem in class. Students were asked to take the perspective of Nya and Salva, the main characters in the novel *A Long Walk To Water*, and create a poem that expresses the similarities and differences in their challenges to survive life in Southern Sudan. We will end module 1 next week and look forward to beginning our new module on working conditions and the novel *Lyddie* by Katherine Patterson. If you are planning to purchase the novel, please do so this week. Students will need their copy of *Lyddie* on November 5th. Please reach out to your child's [Language Arts](#) teacher if you have any questions.

7th Grade Class Updates: Social Studies

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This past week we completed our Colonization Unit and students took the unit test. Any students that scored below a 70% are eligible for corrections and should check with their teacher on how to complete corrections. We then began our Absolutism and Enlightenment Unit. Please contact your child's [Social Studies](#) teacher if you have any questions.

7th Grade Class Updates: Science

This past week students have learned about Potential/Kinetic Energy, other types of energy, and energy transformations. Next week, we will be working on circuits and simple machines. Students should review their science notes nightly. Our next unit test will be mid November about Energy, Circuits, and Simple Machines. Our test will be announced closer to the date. Please contact your child's [Science](#) teacher if you have any questions.

7th Grade Class Updates: Math

Math 7 began working on Unit 3: Working With Circles. We will introduce the parts of a circle and how to find the circumference of a circle in terms of 3.14 for Pi. For more detailed information, please visit our [webpages](#). Please contact your child's [Math](#) teacher if you have any questions.

7th Grade Class Updates: Math 7 Plus

This past week, we wrapped up Unit 2: Proportional Relationships and the students took the Unit 2 Test. We also started Unit 3: Rational Numbers. In this unit, students will add, subtract, multiply, and divide rational numbers without using a calculator. The weekly Warm Up is due on Monday, 10/29. Students will also have a Mastery Check on adding and subtracting integers coming up this week. Please contact your child's [Math](#) teacher if you have any questions.

7th Grade Class Updates: Math I

The week in Math 1, students will continue to solidify their understanding of how growth of a linear function compares to growth in an exponential function. Then, we will explore different ways to write an equation of a line and use those equations to describe characteristics of the line. Please contact your child's [Math](#) teacher if you have any questions.

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