

Mrs. Otte's Weekly Update

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March 23-27
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Curriculum Fair:

THANK YOU FOR COMING TO THE 2015 CURRICULUM FAIR. WE ENJOYED SHOWING OFF SOME OF OUR CURRENT PROJECTS. STUDENTS WERE DISAPPOINTED THAT OUR MAGAZINE PROJECTS WERE NOT READY TO PRESENT AT THE FAIR. WE ARE CLOSE, BUT DID NOT WANT TO RUSH THE FINAL PROJECT. THEREFORE, WE HOPE TO SET ASIDE SOME TIME TO INVITE PARENTS IN TO READ THE MAGAZINES. I CAN'T SAY ENOUGH HOW PROUD I AM OF THEIR DEDICATION TO THIS BIG PROJECT!

Olympic Projects

STUDENTS HAD UNTIL TODAY (FRIDAY) TO TURN IN THEIR TWO OLYMPIAN, ONE BRONZE, AND ONE SILVER LEVEL READING PROJECTS. IF STUDENTS DID NOT MEET THE FULL CRITERIA, I AM SENDING THE PROJECTS HOME TO FIX AND RETURN NO LATER THAN MONDAY. THESE FOUR PROJECTS WILL BE ENTERED AS THIRD QUARTER GRADES.

Dates to Remember

APRIL 3-12 SPRING BREAK

APRIL 14 MAP TESTING STARTS

APRIL 15 LAST 5TH GRADE MASS

Math: VOLUME! THIS WEEK WE INTRODUCED VOLUME AND HOW TO FIND THE VOLUME OF A 3D SHAPE. STUDENTS SHOULD HAVE WATCHED VIDEOS AT HOME FOR HOMEWORK. THEY WORKED ON TENMARKS.COM ASSIGNMENTS AND REAL LIFE PROBLEMS REGARDING VOLUME.

English: WE ARE STILL WORKING ON OUR UNIT ON PRONOUNS. STUDENTS ARE STARTING TO HAVE A GOOD GRASP OF THE DIFFERENT PARTS OF SPEECH AND CAN IDENTIFY THEM IN SENTENCES.

Vocabulary: THIS WEEK WE TESTED OVER THE MANU (HAND) VOCABULARY ROOT WORDS. NEXT WEEK WE WILL NOT HAVE VOCABULARY. WE WILL RESUME OUR VOCABULARY UNITS AFTER SPRING BREAK. NEXT WEEK WE WILL TAKE TIME TO REVIEW ALL OF OUR GREEK AND LATIN ROOT WORDS TO DATE.

Social Studies: STUDENTS STARTED AN INFOGRAPHIC ASSIGNMENT FOR THEIR COUNTRY. THEY HAVE A CHECK LIST OF ITEMS AND FACTS TO INCLUDE. WE WILL POST THESE ON MY WEBSITE WHEN THEY ARE FINISHED. STUDENTS ALSO LEARNED WHY COUNTRIES INTERACT AS A WAY TO INTRODUCE OUR NEXT UNIT ON ECONOMY.

Science: STUDENTS CONTINUED THEIR STUDY ON THE CIRCULATORY AND RESPIRATORY SYSTEM BY READING ONLINE AND EXPLORING THE KIDHEALTH.ORG WEBSITE. THEY ALSO HAVE AN UPCOMING "ACTIVE" LESSON WHERE THEY WILL GRAPH THEIR PULSE RATE AFTER COMPLETING A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES. IN ORDER TO FIT THESE EXTRA ACTIVITIES IN, WE PUSHED OUR SCIENCE TEST BACK TO THURSDAY BEFORE SPRING BREAK.

*WE HAVE ONE MORE BUSY WEEK AHEAD OF US BEFORE A WELL DESERVED BREAK!