MCj04260620000[1]Sixth Grade News

Week of February 20th

**Safety Patrol for the Week of 2/20: Knudsen, Koley, Kieney, Lakeman, Lanzante**

**Teacher Help:**

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| Day | Dobel | Odorisio | Kretz |
| Monday | AM only | AM or PM | PM only |
| Tuesday | AM or PM | AM or PM | AM only |
| Wednesday | AM only | AM only | AM only |
| Thursday | AM only | AM only | None |
| Friday | AM only | AM only | AM or PM |
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**Immunizations**

A note from Mrs. Freidt our school nurse:

Your child will be entering 7th grade this fall and will be required to have a physical examination and update immunizations prior to the start of school on August 15th. I am able to accept physical examinations completed within 6 months of the start of the school year. A physical completed now until school starts in August meets the requirement. Please plan ahead by getting examinations and immunizations completed as soon as possible. Turn in documentation of the exam and immunizations to me by August 1st. The upcoming Spring Break and Easter Break are good times to get this checked off your to do list without having the kids miss school. Below is the link to the Health Info. and Forms page on the St. Pat’s website. On this page you will find detailed information regarding the examination and immunization requirements along a link to the health examination and immunization form. You do not need to use the schools forms. If your health care provider provides you with a completed form or print out I will accept that.

http://www.stpatselkhorn.org/school/healthinformationforms.cfm

**Safety Patrol Reminder:**

Please remember to dress in appropriate clothing if you are scheduled for safety patrol. Also, with the cold weather, we have been rotating students through. Please come prepared with hat, gloves and coat in case you need to substitute for someone. Girls need to bring protection for their legs if wearing a skirt (sweats, pants, leggings). As a reminder, you need to be here and ready to be out for safety patrol by 7:40.

**DWP Family Information:**

Please check out the DWP information for families on the school website. There is information about the individual skills and activities for your families to try out!

**AR Reading Update:** Thank you parents for your support with getting your students to read!! We are halfway through the 3rd quarter and the kids are on the right path to earning their 6th grade “read and feed” at the end of the quarter!! All AR tests need to be taken by March 7th. Just a reminder, to participate in the read and feed a student must have earned AR points to enjoy the read and feed. Students can log onto their account at school to see what points they have earned. Thank you!!

**Ash Wednesday Mass:**

Please feel free to join us for the 10:30am Mass on Wednesday, February 22nd. The students will need to bring their Mass sweaters that day, so please remind them if they usually bring their sweaters home.

**UNIFORM CHECK:**

This week we will be having a uniform check. Please take some time to review the handbook with your child(ren) to ensure the uniform guidelines are being met. We will be checking for belts, jewelry, socks, and skirt length.

**COMING THIS WEEK:**

**Period 1 Reading**

We will take our Theme test on Tuesday the 21st. We will then move to read our next novel, Hatchet.

We will continue with vocabulary starting Unit 10 this week and our test will be March 3rd.

Don’t forget to read!!

**Reading 2 Reading**

We will start Vocab Unit 10 this week and our test will be on March 3rd.

We will take our Theme 2 test on Feb. 21st. We will then start our next novel, Freak the Mighty.

Don’t forget to read!!

**Period 6 Reading**

We will continue on this week with Theme 2 and cover the last couple of poems and then start our story Rip Van Winkle. I plan on the Theme test on March 2nd, however, will adjust schedules accordingly to students learning.

We will be starting Vocab Unit 10 this week and our vocab test will be on March 3rd.

Don’t forget to read!!

**Science**

We had a change in plans last week and starting our Earth Science units, staring with the Water Cycle. The students are very excited about this change.

We covered the Water Cycle and are now moving onto Ocean changes.

We are also beginning our Archdiocesan Technology Assessment and students will be bringing home information on this Monday. Students will be allowed to work on the project at home.

**English:**

We are continuing with our Young Authors stories this week. The students will be finishing up their rough drafts this week. We will then be spending time on the editing process. We will be editing not only for content, but for all of the 6 Traits of writing. At some point, you student will be asking for an adult to help with one of their edits. This can be any adult in their lives that would be able to give feedback on the content and format of their story.

*Rough Draft due: Wednesday February 22, 2012 (This means printed, stapled, and ready to be editing at the beginning of class.)*

**Religion:**

We will spend some time this week preparing for our Lenten journey. We will start many discussions at home that can be finished or added to at home.

We will also be moving on to Unit 5 in our textbook. We will start by looking at the transfiguration of Jesus. We will then move on to the Beatitudes. We will study them in relation to the commandments, and also use them for our next recite.

*Beatitudes recite: Wednesday, February 29, 2012*

**Social Studies**

We will begin our first section that covers Ontario and Quebec. Students will read about the central government of Canada, which is located in Ontario, as well as the French connections that still remain with Quebec. Section two will focus on the Prairie Provinces: Saskatchewan, Alberta, and Manitoba.

*Sec. 1 Quiz – Tuesday, February 21st*

*Sec. 2 Quiz – Friday, February 24th*

**Math**

**Period 3 Math**

Students will begin working with slope this week. They will be able to find the slope of a line from a graph as well as from a table. Following slope students will begin working on y-intercept. Remind your student to keep up on their Aleks minutes each week (80 minutes).

**Period 5 Math**

We will take Monday and Tuesday to finish up section 3-4 and review for the upcoming quiz on Wednesday. The quiz will cover prime/composite numbers, prime factorization, finding factors, LCM, and GCF. Following section four students will begin to work on writing equivalent fractions as well as simplifying them. Remind your student to keep up on their Aleks minutes each week (60 minutes).

**Period 6 Math**

Monday we will review changing units of customary measurements. Following section eight students will work on finding and comparing the precision of measurements. Please remind your student to keep up on their Aleks minutes each week (80 minutes).

*Ch. 4 Sec. 8-9 Test – Friday, February 24th*