

Weekly Newsletter: October 8 - 12, 2018



The first quarter ends October 12. Before the quarter ends we need to complete our math unit on decomposing fractions and our science unit on chemical and physical changes. I will be working with students at school with studying, and will also send home study guides. The homework for this week is only the study guides- this will allow students ample time to prepare 😊

This Week We Are Learning

ELA: Stories, Plays and Poetry: This week we will begin studying similarities and differences between these three specific types of literary texts. Students will learn to analyze characters, settings and themes in each of these types of literature. This topic will continue for two weeks. Our final cold read of the first quarter will take place on Thursday, 10/11.

Math: Place Value: This Tuesday 10/9 we will take our unit math test on decomposing fractions. This is the final math grade for the first quarter. As study guide was sent home 10/5 and will count as a homework grade. We will start unit 4 on Wednesday with place value, expanded, written and standard forms of numbers.

Science: Speed, Motion and Velocity: Students have worked very hard with chemical and physical changes and we will take our unit test on Wednesday, 10/10. This will be the final grade for the first quarter in science. On Thursday we will start discussing speed, motion and velocity.

Social Studies: Florida's first people: Our social studies topics for the next month will revolve around Florida's first people. Part of this unit will be our first DBQ of the year- a student inquiry project based on why Saint Augustine was chosen by Ponce de Leon as a good settlement location.

Upcoming Important Dates

October 9: Book Fair (we shop at 8:50 am)

October 9: Unit 3 Math Test

October 10: Unit 3 Science Test

October 11: Cold Read

October 12: First Quarter Ends

October 15: No School for students- teacher planning day

Weekly Homework

- Reading Log (4 nights)
- **Math Study Guide: TEST TUESDAY**
- **Science Study Guide: TEST WEDNESDAY**
- Vocab Packet #5 due 10/19, Quiz 10/19



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Should you need to make a dismissal change on how your child will be going home, please make sure to complete the Dismissal Change Form located on the VRA website: <http://www-vra.stjohns.k12.fl.us/>, prior to 2:15 pm on the day of the change