

## *5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Classes:*

### **Social Studies with Mr. Bird:**

Our students of history recently started a new unit about the 13 colonies! We began the unit by learning about the reasons why people wanted to move to the English colonies in North America and continued with a brief overview of colonial religion and government. Friday's asynchronous assignment was a Quizizz review game to help prepare students for a brief quiz this week.

This week, our students of history will start the week by assessing their knowledge of colonial religion, colonial government, push/pull factors to the "New World," and the three types of colonies (royal, charter, and proprietary). We will then continue learning about the colonies by region beginning with the Southern colonies!

### **Science with Ms. Diaz**

Greetings Scientists, congratulations on completing Week 18!

**This week:** We finished our unit about "Atoms and Molecules." We know that molecules are made when atoms combine and there are various types of molecules that we use in everyday life, such as salt, water and sugar. Some molecules are very important to society because they are part of medicines and other health treatments.

**Next week:** Science Quiz and Test Extravaganza! There will be a quiz M-W and the unit test on Thursday.

Monday- Quiz: Scientific Method

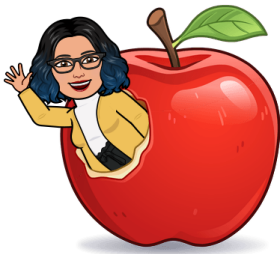
Tuesday- Quiz: Substances

Wednesday- Quiz: Elements and the periodic table

Thursday- Test: Atoms and molecules

**Mission to Mars:** New trip dates of April 5-8, 2021. Please check [Diaz Does Science](#) for the video update.

### Math with Mrs.Linarez



**Varsity:** We have started our new unit and will be taking our first quiz on place value and expanded form.

**Scholastic:** We have started our new unit and we will be focusing on order of operations. Hopefully by the end of the week, students will be ready to take their first quiz on the new unit. If not, they will take the quiz the following week. I will make sure we spend a full day reviewing for the quiz the day before.

**Honors:** We are about to wrap up on our current unit. Hopefully we will be able to take our unit test by thursday. If not we will take the unit test the following week. I will make sure we will spend a full day reviewing for the test before students actually take the test.

### Math with Mrs. Nijjar

**Varsity:** Students this week took the quiz for Long Division and Input-output tables. In the coming week, students will be taking their very first unit test and will start with the next unit. Students should keep working on IXL, as that helps to reinforce the required math skills.

**Scholastic:** Students this week learned about rounding, ordering, and comparing decimals. In the coming weeks, students will be learning about different operations with decimal numbers.

**Honors:** Students this week learned about Scientific notations and took the quiz for the same. In the coming week, students will be taking their first unit test and will start with the new unit.

### Language Arts with Mr. Harding

We are closing 2020 in a good rhythm of blended learning. At the beginning of the trimester each grade has more weight. Be sure to get ahead and set a high average to maintain. We're resuming Spies with the Cuban Missile Crisis. With our new accommodations, students at home should be able to see and hear much better.

Students are responsible for 20 minutes of independent reading every day. Each student will take a quiz on the book they read during D.E.A.R. time.

### Language Arts with Ms. Rodieck

Week three of trimester two is done. We are nearly done with our novel *Spies*. We will be finishing it up before the Winter Holidays Break including a final project and paper. The first book report of the year will be due the week we come back from the Winter Holidays and will be posted during the break for those students who want to work on it during the break.



Diagramming is like algebra and some of the students are struggling with it this year and they need to just keep trying and next year it will be easier for them (with practice). A good website to get some additional information is <https://www.english-grammar-revolution.com/>

We will continue to work on transitions in writing both within sentences and between paragraphs.

Hug the ones you love whether in person or virtually.

## Technology with Ms. Ferguson

Week 3 of the second trimester is going well! Students have adjusted to their new routines, and the technology students are doing so well! This week the students worked on a research project where they chose one animal to research. Through this project the students are practicing their research skills, utilizing copy and paste skills to create a list of sources from their research, and are using their design skills in Google Slides to develop a facts flyer for their chosen animal! Next week the students will be presenting their flyer to the class.

## ART CLUB with Ms. L

Students in Art club this Thursday participated in a Spooky Paint-a-long and created their own Haunted Houses! Below are screenshots of our Zoom and pictures of final products :)

