Study Club is Now Open

Need some help with homework or help with navigating your on-line classes, Study Club is now open on-line Monday - Thursday from 1-2 pm. It is set up through a Google Classroom - class code i4qa3ga. Click on the Zoom link at the top of the stream page for help.

The zoom link for Study Club has been updated for October. Some useful information was also added about how to look for missing assignments and how to turn in assignments - the reason some assignments might be missing.

5th/6th Grade Classes:

Social Studies with Mr. Bird and Ms. Ferguson:

Last week the students continued to learn about "The Struggle for North America", we decided to stretch out the New France lesson this week to engage more deeply in the material and have time for a project before their first quiz on this unit. The students made AWESOME brochures on New France as a way to study for the quiz that they took on Thursday. Ask your student to check theirs out!

Beginning on Monday we will start a new lesson on New Spain and Spanish Florida where the students will essentially be learning about Spain coming to North America as part of the struggle for the continent along with France and England. We will examine relations between Spanish and the Native Americans including the Pueblo Revolt.

UPCOMING!! To end this lesson the students will be taking a virtual field trip to St. Augustine, FL. which is part of Spanish Florida and is considered the nation's "oldest city". Mr. Bird and Ms. Ferguson cannot wait!

Science with Ms. Diaz and Mr. Dougherty

Greetings Scientists, congratulations on completing Week 11!

This week: We really got in deep with the Periodic Table. Not only can we predict density and reactivity, but we know how to calculate the number of neutrons in an element's nucleus, along with knowing how to pinpoint the information about its number of protons and atomic mass. We've also been doing some quick fire questions rounds after studying our flashcards sets to see who could respond with the correct answer the quickest. Last but not least, since we are the next generation of scientists, we each created 3 of our very own elements (newly discovered), creating its name, chemical symbol, and atomic number and mass. We even showed examples of where you can find the element in real life!

Next week: We finish our "My Element" project, continue learning the Periodic Table song, and have a quiz at the end of the week.

Mission to Mars: New trip dates of April 5–8, 2021. Please check <u>Diaz Does Science</u> for the video update.

Math with Mrs. Zuniga/Ms. Linarez

<u>Varsity</u>: Our class has moved onto 2 digit divisors in division. I will be going on maternity leave and Ms. Linarez will be taking over for me. She has begun teaching the class this week and everything has been running smoothly.

<u>Scholastic</u>: Our class has now begun multiplying decimals. I will be going on maternity leave and Ms. Linarez will be taking over for me. She has begun teaching the class this week and everything has been running smoothly.

<u>Honors</u>: Our class has begun working with decimals. I will be going on maternity leave and Ms. Linarez will be taking over for me. She has begun teaching the class this week and everything has been running smoothly.

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

Many students and parents have asked me what they can do on their own to improve their skills and get a little extra practice. IXL and NoRedInk are apps that students can use on their own to learn and practice their grammar skills.

We are in the early stages of writing an argumentative essay. By the end of week 12 we should have introduction paragraphs finished, complete with hook, transition, and thesis. The essay will be due at the end of October.

In our novel, Spies, we have explored unfamiliar ideas and vocabulary mostly at the teacher's discretion. We are transitioning into the students taking an active role as readers by wondering and researching as they read. It helps that we've reached the point when Eastman Kodak changed the world from black and white to color.

Remember, I hold office hours from 1:30 - 2:00 PM, Monday through Thursday. Check Google classroom for the link.

Language Arts with Ms. Rodieck

So, I was out on Friday, October 9th for Jury duty. My days off extended into the next week for personal reasons so the students were able to finish learning about Jury Duty and its importance in our country. Since Ms. Ferguson was there sub, they also got to learn about Balance in Media and how we need to spend time away from our screens. I hope the students



enjoyed the three day weekend and took the time to do things away from their screens. Hug your family members and tell them you love them,