

## *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.

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

#### **Social Studies with Mr. Bird and Ms. Ferguson:**

Throughout the week of October 19th the students learned about New Spain and were lucky enough to take a virtual field trip to St. Augustine, FL. which is part of Spanish Florida and is considered the nation's "oldest city". The students created a postcard that discussed their visit to St. Augustine, FL.

On Monday, October 26th, the students have a quiz on New Spain and on Tuesday the students will begin learning about the English Colonies, including Roanoke and Jamestown.

#### **Science with Ms. Diaz and Mr. Dougherty**

Greetings Scientists, congratulations on completing Week 12!

**This week:** We had a double whammy of quizzes with one on Wednesday AND Friday. The first was about last week's material about elements and the periodic table, and the second was specifically about elements, knowing chemical symbols and whether it is a metal, non-metal or gas. We also started a real world application by learning about the elements that are used in plastic,

and seeing how plastic is made and hence, why it is important to recycle. We learned about an innovator, Robin Lewis, who started a project in Japan to have free water bottle stations at various stores so people are prompted to reuse bottles.

**Next week:** We continue working on on the real-world problem of plastics.

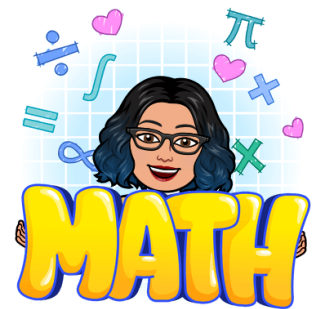
**Mission to Mars:** New trip dates of April 5-8, 2021. Please check [Diaz Does Science](#) for the video update.

### **Math with Mrs. Linares / Ms. Losen**

**Varsity:** We will be working on understanding (quotients) word problems and then in and out tables.

**Scholastic:** This week we will be taking our quiz on multiplying decimals. Then we will be moving on to Dividing with decimals.

**Honors:** We will be taking a quiz on the 4 operations with decimals and fractions. Then moving on to solving equations with decimals and fractions.



### **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,



## 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 :)

