

News from Room 10

9/25/17-9/29/17

Ms. Oliver 7th-8th Grade Language Arts/ Reading & Social Studies

Essential Questions for this Quarter

- Grammar/Conventions: 7th -How does sentence variety promote a better piece of writing? 8th How does sentence variety promote a better piece of writing?
- Reading Literature: 7th -How do you use the elements of fiction and a nonfiction text to determine the characteristics of a hero? 8th What is the interrelationship of the elements of fiction to the theme?
- Writing: 7th & 8th -Why is it important to be able to express ideas in an essay?
- Vocabulary: 7th & 8th -How does word knowledge enrich verbal communication?
- Speaking/Listening/Viewing: 7th -Why does effective communication matter?
- Social Studies: 7th What were the strengths and lasting contributions of Rome? 8th: Interpret, organize, and evaluate primary and secondary sources of information. (Will change throughout the quarter)

Skills we are learning this week

9/25-9/29

7th Grade

- **LA**
Grammar Conventions: Rules for using Commas Continued.
Reading Lit: Elements of Fiction (Short Stories) – Types of Characters and Theme
Writer's Workshop: Expository writing toolkit, Writing project Continued
Vocab: Quizlet LA "Maps and Globes" & Common Roots and Affixes (All Eyes and Ears)
Speaking/Listening/Viewing: Bell ringers and Student Presentations
- **SS**
Rise and Fall of Rome: Contributions of Rome. Continued

8th Grade

- **LA**
Grammar Conventions: The Sentence (Types of Sentences) Continued.
Reading Lit: Elements of Fiction (Short Stories) – Point of View and Similes
Writer's Workshop: Expository writing toolkit, Writing Project Continued
Vocabulary: Quizlet LA "Maps and Globes" & Common Roots and Affixes (Just gotta know)
Speaking/Listening/Viewing: Bell ringers and Student Presentations
- **SS**
The Historical Process: American Colonies

Quote of the week:

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

-Nelson Mandela



Writing prompt of the week:

Write a "how-to fit in" guide for a new Student coming to your school. Use satire.

Updates and notes

- "The best thing parents can do for their children is to love each other."

Homework

- Complete Quizlet Test (Online) and study for quiz on Friday (Friday's Quiz will be from the Social Studies Quizlet only).
- Read Novel Study Books for at least 20 minutes daily. Any assigned work given for homework, should be turned in the day after assigned, but will be accepted (with grade adjustments) up until Friday.

TEST ON THURSDAY

- **Language Arts**
- **Social Studies**
- **Reading**

UPCOMING EVENTS!

*SEPT. 28th Parent Seminar

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