

News from Room 10

9/5/17-9/8/17

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

Essential Questions for this Quarter

- Grammar/Conventions: How does sentence variety promote a better piece of writing?
- Reading Literature: How do you use the elements of fiction and a nonfiction text to determine the characteristics of a hero?
- Writing: Why is it important to be able to express ideas in an essay?
- Vocabulary: How does word knowledge enrich verbal communication?
- Speaking/Listening/Viewing: Why does effective communication matter?
- Social Studies: Why are there so many different types of maps and how does geography impact our lives? (Will change throughout the quarter)

Skills we are learning this

week

9/5-9/8

7th Grade

- **LA**

Grammar Conventions: Capitalization

Reading Lit: Elements of Fiction

(Short Stories) - Plot

Writer's Workshop: Expository writing toolkit, Exp-Structure

Vocab: Quizlet Reading "Wonder" & Common Greek and Latin Roots and Affixes

Speaking/Listening/Viewing: Bell ringers and Student Presentations

- **SS**

Map Skills: Projection Maps and Globes

8th Grade

- **LA**

Grammar Conventions: Sentence patterns (Dead Words and Dead Verbs)

Reading Lit: Elements of Fiction (Short Stories) - Story Vocabulary & Plot.

Writer's Workshop: Expository writing toolkit, Exp-Paragraph

Vocabulary: Quizlet Reading "Out of my Mind" & Roots (Just Add Water)

Speaking/Listening/Viewing: Bell ringers and Student Presentations

- **SS**

Map Skills: Computerized Map Making.

Quote of the week:

"Monsters are real, and Ghost are real too. They live inside us, and sometimes,



Writing prompt of the week:

Create a visual poem inside a silhouette of you, or a person close to you describing their character.

Updates and notes

- Parents, you are the key to making homework a positive experience for your children. Therefore, I ask that parents make homework a top priority at home, provide necessary supplies and a quiet homework environment, set aside time every day when homework is to be done, provide praise and support, not allow children to avoid doing their homework, and contact me if a problem arises.

Homework

- Complete Quizlet Test (Online) and study for quiz on Friday (Friday's Quiz will be from the reading 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

*SEPT. 4th Holiday - Labor Day

*SEPT. 9th CMS Junior High Lock-In

*SEPT. 11th - 14th Iowa Testing

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