



News from the Taylor Road
6th Grade Tiger Den
May 3, 2010

Parents,

School supplies already? For your convenience, TRMS PTA is once again offering preordered school supply kits!

Order your 2010-2011 school supplies online at www.ttkits.com (account # 32022) through May 14th. The kits will be available for pick up at Schedule Verification Day on August 18th. A sample kit is on display in the front office.

Question? E-mail Barb Townsend at barbtown@bellsouth.net

Important Dates:

Awards Day---May 17th
6th grade Field Day---May 19th

Important Information regarding Field day:

Any 6th grade student who has outstanding assignments, media center fines or books, outstanding damages or lost/missing textbook (including books on CD) fines, WILL NOT be allowed to participate in any field day activities until such obligations have been taken care of by the student. Field Day is May 19th. Please contact Jeff Franklin in the PE department if you would like to volunteer to assist!

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Foreign Language

SPANISH 6TH grade- Sra BLANCO

In our last unit, we are learning about the neighborhood, house and furniture. First we will learn to identify names of places and buildings around school and home. Then we will match places with specific activities. We will read about typical Spanish homes and Spanish towns. The second part of this unit is about house and furniture. Students will learn to identify the different rooms in their home and match them with specific activities. We will identify basic furniture. Finally we will place furniture in the correct rooms.

The final test will be on Monday May 17. A study guide will be completed in class about: food, neighborhood, house and furniture.

Sra. Grossman's 6th Grade Classes:

News from Sra. Grossman's 6th grade classes: Students are learning how to describe their daily routine and to tell what time they do certain things. For the remainder of the year we will look at the celebration of Cinco de Mayo and food items. Thank you for your continued support.

Parham- French

Madame Parham- French

Students have finished their study of animals and are now beginning to learn about the rooms in their house, some of the furniture in their house, and what they do in the different rooms.

We will then learn about places in our community and where we go to do different things (to the bank for money, to the cinema to watch a movie, to the park for a picnic or a walk, to the post office for stamps, etc.).

Language Arts

Calhoun/Kodish PERIODS 1 and 4: <http://new.schoolnotes.com/calhouns>

Calhoun PERIODS 2, 5, and 6: <http://new.schoolnotes.com/calhouns>

Kodish Periods 2 and 6:

Our writing focus is to cite references and examples from the text when writing short answers to response questions. We are learning about conjunctions, subjects and predicates. In addition we are writing compound sentences, complex sentences, and compound complex sentences. We will learn how to use these sentences in our writing to vary types of sentences we use and to make our writing more interesting to the reader. Please continue to check agendas daily as we will continue to have homework daily.

Mrs. Goldberg, TAG language arts

All class work and home work are on schoolnotes.com. Additional information can be accessed from my TRMS webpage found off the Faculty page.

Mrs. Thalacker

As the year draws to a close, we will be working on Persuasion and Propaganda.

We have completed several prewrites, getting our ideas on paper and discovering the form a persuasion paper takes.

Plus a few writing tips!

We have designed "Our Perfect Locker" and will write a paper persuading Mr. Williamson, the 6th grade teachers and our classmates to adopt our design.

Ms. Hartfield

6th grade

The 6th Graders in Ms. Hartfield's class are working on a literature unit for the rest of the year. They are reading the book "Dragonwings". They have been given a schedule of due dates for discussion questions, vocabulary definitions, and small projects. This schedule takes them through the end of the year.

Math

Math 6: Fontan, Turner, Meiners, Kodish and McLynn

Fulton County has compiled a list of Math Tutoring Support and Resources. These free websites provide lessons and activities for summer review. In addition, private and community based math tutoring services are listed if additional review or remediation is needed.

See attached file



Math Tutoring and
Resources list.doc

Math 6: Advanced Fontan

We will be wrapping up the cereal box project this week. We will be reviewing integers, one and two step equations, as well as working on rotational symmetry through the study of tessellations.

Mrs. Fetner--- Math 6A and 7A

All class work and homework assignments for Mrs. Fetner's math classes (6A and 7A), as well as dates for upcoming quizzes, tests, and projects, can be found at www.fetnersclass.com. The website is updated daily, typically by 5:00. Students who are absent should check the website after 5:00 p.m. to get work for the day.

Reading

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We have recently concluded a mini-unit focused on the myths and legends surrounding King Arthur and Camelot. Students learned about the themes of chivalry, honor, and the medieval period that still fascinates us today, while distinguishing between fact/history and legends/myths.

We are about to begin our final unit on energy and alternate sources of power. It is another 6th grade Science-aligned non-fiction unit that will coincide with what many students are currently learning in their Science classes. In Reading, we will focus on learning and practicing new vocabulary, using graphic organizers to learn information, and using critical thinking skills. There will be a vocabulary quiz soon, and a test at the conclusion of the unit.

Gagnon (1st & 5th)

Reading - Gagnon : "No More Dead Dogs", a rock-and-roll rendition of the classic novel *Old Shep My Pal*, will be the focus of our literary circle for the remainder of this year. In this unit, we'll have an overall review of 6th grade skills, students show evidence of comprehension through analysis and response to the events, characters perspectives, and connections to their own lives within the storyline. As always, check out www.trmsreading.infor for more information on past studies.

Social Studies

Feinberg, Gagnon, Greenwood, McLynn

Please visit our social studies website at www.trmssocialstudies.org to get weekly updates on our classroom activities and assignments.

Mrs. Goldberg, TAG Social Studies

Goldberg Social Studies—all class work and home work are on schoolnotes.com. Additional information can be accessed from my TRMS webpage found off the Faculty page.

Baker - 6th Grade TAG Social Studies:

Please see my website for details: www.trms.ga.net/staff-TRMS/BakerLeslie/index.html

Science

Altherr---TAG Earth Science

Ms. Altherr—TAG Science

We are in the middle of a condensed unit on rocks called Underground City. The students have been challenged to determine which type of rock is best to dig into to build an underground city to prevent colonists on Planet New Earth from exposure to harmful radiation. We have been doing experiments to determine the strength and hardness of different rocks falling into the igneous, sedimentary, and metamorphic categories. Our unit test of rocks (covering Chapter 4 and information from our labs) will be on Thursday, May 13th. The last week of school we will be doing a lab called Lava Run to review the scientific method in more detail in order to prepare students to go to 7th grade.

Mobley/Moore/Meiners

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We have an in-house field trip Friday from NASA. The students will be viewing the sun through high powered telescopes. The students will be researching and studying alternative resources for the remainder of the year.