



SAINT THOMAS

the Apostle Catholic School

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6th GRADE UPDATES

ELA 6G1: This week, we reviewed for Chapters 4-6 Quiz and continued our study of nouns.

- 6G2—Chapters 4-6 Quiz Monday, Oct. 3
- 6G1—Chapters 4-6 Quiz Tuesday, Oct. 4
- Remember to keep up with the weekly reading/writing notebook.

Social studies: This week we finished talking about populations and reviewed for the 5 Themes of Geography test. Next week we will talk about the different forms of government in the world and the impact that they have on it.

Science: We started our chapter on earthquakes. This material builds off our first chapter on plate tectonics and then moves into specifics of how earthquakes happen and how they are measured.

Theology: We only had the chance to meet a few times this week due to MAP testing. We are taking our leadership quiz this coming Monday, and then we will be back on schedule with our next virtue, loyalty. We have also continued to focus on the Bible and when and how it was written.

- Virtue Quiz on Leadership: Monday 10/3
- Virtue Quiz on Loyalty: Thursday 10/13

Math 6G1: This week students learned about least common multiple and adding and subtracting fractions. Next week they will review for the chapter test

- Tuesday, October 4 - Chapter 1 Quiz 2 (1.4 - 1.6 Extension)
- Thursday, October 6 - Chapter 1 Vocabulary Quiz
- Friday, October 7 - Chapter 1 Test

Math 6G2: This week students took the test over Chapter 1. Next week they will learn about multiplying and dividing fractions and mixed numbers.

- Friday, October 7 - Chapter 2 Quiz 1 (2.1 - 2.3)

Picnic in the Park! Sunday, Oct. 2, 12-3pm

It's really happening!
This Sunday at
Wilcox Park!



Join us for :

- Games
- Entertainment
- Free hotdog lunch
- Food trucks on site (for purchase)
- PRIZES! PRIZES! PRIZES!



Your students are sweet enough; please leave candy at home.

We are seeing an influx in candy being brought into school by our middle school students. Please remind your child that candy needs to stay at home. Snacks should be healthy and filling and eaten ONLY during designated times. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

7th GRADE UPDATES

ELA: This week, we reviewed our poetry terms and concepts from the past few weeks.

- Monday, Oct. 3—Poetry Quiz 2
- Remember to keep up with the weekly reading/writing notebook.

Social studies: This week we finished talking about how the Greeks unified and fought off the Persians. We had a test on Sparta and Athens as well. Next week we will talk about Alexander the Great and his conquest of Greece and then start to talk about the beginnings of the Roman Empire.

Theology: This week was a short week because of MAP testing. We did however discuss leadership and the beginnings of Matthew's gospel. Next week we will delve into Matthew's gospel more.

Science: This was our final week when we miss class due to MAP Testing. This week we have been learning about the differences between chemical and physical changes, as well as how the Law of Conservation of Mass is an important principle of science. We finished the new material for Chapter 1 and will be having our first test next week.

- Chapter 1 Test: Wednesday, Oct. 5

Math 7G1: This week students learned about rational numbers and how to classify them as well as change them from fractions to decimals and decimals to fractions. They also learned about adding rational numbers. Next week they will learn about subtracting rational numbers.

- Tuesday, Oct. 4 - Chapter 2 Quiz 1 (2.1 - 2.2)

Math 7G2: This week students learned about transformations in the coordinate plane. We focused on translations, reflections and rotations. Next week they will learn about dilations and the perimeter and area of similar figures.

- Monday, Oct. 3 - Chapter 2 Quiz 1 (2.1 - 2.4)

8th GRADE UPDATES

ELA: This week, we reviewed Chapters 4-6 and analyzed how point of view affects the contents of a story and how it affects what we understand as readers. We also worked on commas with equal adjectives and commas between independent clauses.

- TSB Ch. 1-5 Quiz on Friday, Oct. 7.
- Remember to keep up with the weekly reading/writing notebook.

Social studies: This week we talked about the decision-making of John Adams and its impact on the U.S. We also had our first DBQ essay test on Friday. Next week we will examine the Louisiana Purchase and its impact on the U.S. as well as looking at the Monroe Doctrine.

Science: We finished up Chapter 1 this week about the basics of life and took our first test. We will be moving on to Chapter 2, focusing on the cell and its parts. Part of this unit includes an at-home project where the kids will construct a 3-D model of either a plant or animal cell.

Math: This week students took the test over Chapter 1 and started Chapter 2. Next week students will learn about transformations in the coordinate plane. We will focus on translations, reflections and rotations.

- Friday, Oct. 7 - Chapter 2 Quiz 1 (2.1 2.4)

Theology: This week students reviewed our virtue of leadership and took the quiz. We continued our discussion on tracing the roots of the Church. Next week we will begin a rosary project. If you have any magazines you would like to donate to our class you can send them with you son/daughter any day next week.

- Monday, Oct. 3 - Chapter 2 Quiz