



SAINT THOMAS

the Apostle Catholic School

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MIDDLE SCHOOL REMINDERS

Stock the Lounge!

Help keep our teachers hydrated and caffeinated during these last few weeks of school by stocking the lounge with pop and flavored water! Diet Coke is a huge favorite, along with Diet Mt. Dew, Pepsi, and regular flavors of pop. Flavored sparkling water like La Croix is a big win too! Drop off all beverages to the cart outside the office. Thank You!

Lunch Account Balances!

We have many families that have a negative balance in their students' lunch accounts. We need all families to check and submit funds to cover what they owe. Please add enough funds to cover your balance and for hot lunches for the rest of the year. Check out these [IC Instructions for adding funds to lunch accounts](#). As a school, we have a negative balance of nearly \$3,000. We need to take care of this ASAP.

Fall sports registration is open – June 15 deadline!

Registration for GRACEAC fall sports is OPEN until June 15 at midnight. After June 15, there will be a late fee for any registrations. [Register your child ASAP](#) for flag football, boys soccer, volleyball, cross country or sideline cheer to avoid the late fees! Questions? Contact Athletic Director Jeremiah Sluggett in the office.

Chromebook reminder!

Please remember to return all school-issued Chromebooks and chargers! All Chromebooks and chargers are due back by June 6. Please make sure both the device and its original charger are returned.

Please be aware that fines will be imposed for damaged or missing Chromebooks and chargers to cover the cost of repair or replacement. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us maintain our technology resources for all students.

6th Grade Updates

ELA: We finished the rough drafts of our Greek Mythology stories, and started the peer editing and illustrating process! We also reviewed all of the grammar we learned this year in a fun end-of-year game. Next week, we will finish assembling our Greek Mythology projects. Greek Mythology Projects will serve as the 6th Grade ELA Exam. Our exam time slot will be a work time/study hall.

Social Studies: We finished discussing ancient China and the different dynasties. Then, the students began their Ancient Civilizations Final Exam Project: "Museum of the Ancients". The students will work on this all next week, and present during their exam time.

- Ancient Civilizations Final Exam Project: "Museum of the Ancients" - Due during the final exam period.

Science: We have been working towards the end of Chapter 12 this week by comparing the properties of the planets, especially the main differences between the inner and outer planets. Next week, we will begin reviewing for our final exam, which will cover material from Chapters 6, 8, 9, 11, and 12.

Theology: We discussed life after Jericho this week for the Israelites. We read and examined how the Israelites wanted to be like every other nation and wanted a king. The students then read about the different qualities that a king should have. Next week, we will review for the final exam.

Math 6G1: Students learned about integers, rational numbers and absolute value. Next week students will learn about the coordinate plane and writing and graphing inequalities. Exam study guides will be given out next week.

Math 6G2: Students learned about measures of variation and mean absolute deviation. Next week students wrap up Chapter 9 with a quiz and a review. Exam study guides will be given out next week.

- Tuesday, May 27 - Chapter 9 Quiz 2 (9.4 - 9.5)

7th Grade Updates

ELA: We wrote the rough drafts of our Anne Frank character analysis essays this week, and reviewed the year's grammar to boost our memories going into the summer. Next week, we will peer edit and polish our essays, and wrap up the school year! Anne Frank Projects (diorama/poster and essay) will serve as the 7th Grade ELA Exam. Our exam time slot will be a work time/study hall.

Social Studies: We finished discussing the Declaration of Independence, and students had to write their own Personal Declaration of Independence. This is due on Saturday at 11:59 pm. Then, the students started their Revolutionary War Diorama Project. This serves as their final exam.

- Personal Declaration of Independence - Due Saturday, May 24 at 11:59 pm
- Revolutionary War Diorama Project - Due during the final exam period.

Theology: We discussed the symbolic language of the book of Revelation this week. The students looked at different symbols from the book and identified what they mean. Next week, we will prepare for exams.

Science: We have worked towards finishing up new material this week by focusing more on the electromagnetic spectrum and its application in wireless communication. We also spent some time learning about the benefits of digital communication over the previous analog methods. We will finish up at the start of next week and then begin to prepare for the final exam. It will cover material from Chapters 6-11.3.

Math 7G1: This week students learned about the volume of prisms and pyramids and the cross-sections of 3D figures. Next week, students will wrap up Chapter 10 with a quiz. Exam study guides will be given out next week.

- Tuesday, May 27 - Chapter 10 Quiz 2 (10.4 - 10.6)

Math 7G2: Students learned about using a compass and how to model algebraic expressions with algebra tiles. Next week, students begin to review for exams.



8th Grade Updates

ELA: We edited our slideshows and began our Final Project presentations. I've been so impressed with the 8th graders' hard work this quarter, and those who have presented so far did a great job! Next week during our exam time slot, the last group of students will present.

History: We finished discussing the Civil War and began our Civil War Timeline projects. This project serves as their final exam. We will be finishing these, combining them, and creating a huge timeline of the Civil War. This will be filled with summarizations of important battles and primary sources.

- Civil War Timeline Project - Due during the final exam period.

Science: We spent this week getting prepared for exams next week. The class took time to compile materials and complete a study guide. We also watched some review videos to refresh ourselves on topics.

- Tuesday, May 27- Final Exam

Math 8G1: Students reviewed for exams. Next week, they will take the Math exam on Thursday, May 29.

Math 8G2: Students reviewed for exams. Next week, they will take the Math exam on Thursday, May 29.

Theology: Can't believe this was our last week together. It has been a fun, remarkable, journey with your students. We discussed the history of the church this week. We also looked at the importance of living a prayerful life.

- Final Exam Wednesday, May 28