

May 10, 2019 (sent on Monday, May 13th)

School-wide announcements:

- 1) **Basket Raffle Sign-Up Genius links--AN EMAIL WAS SENT LAST WEEK WITH THIS INFO AS WELL:**
If you would like to sign up to donate items or contribute money for our two baskets, please use the following information:

Hipps homeroom/Fig homeroom =

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D4EA5A628A1F49-mystery>

Rabb homeroom/Gabbard homeroom =

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a44aea82da31-ncstate>

In case you were wondering, the basket raffle is part of **the AFMS PTSA's event called Charger Games on Friday May 31st from 5pm-8pm**. This will be a community and fundraising event that we plan to invite our Rising 6th Grade Families to as well as our current student family population. The event will have a variety of games, a dodgeball tournament, some vendors for shopping and food as well as a Silent Auction.

Charger Games Dodgeball Registration is OPEN!

Get ready Charges for the 1st Annual Charger Games on May 31st featuring a Dodgeball Tournament. Get your friends together and register for the tournament by filling out the form: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/185HqGBEV2gVHGRFKp6mPkhViJL0PBRqLB4Deldo2GoM/edit?usp=sharing> and returning it to the main office or to the PTA table in the cafeteria on Thursdays and Fridays. If you can't find 7 other players, register as a free-agent and you will get placed on a team to join the fun. The winning team will get to play a Teacher/Staff Team and get a Dodgeball Champion shirt. **Registration closes Friday 5/17.**

- 2) **District Parent Survey**-Please visit our school website for the link to a district-wide parent survey. Survey information will be given to each school to analyze for areas of celebration and concern. Your input is very important, so we encourage you to complete the survey. Thank you.
- 3) **Time is running out....only 55 copies of our inaugural Yearbook remain before it's too late to purchase one! Please make sure you snag yours now before we sell out! Go to jostensyearbook.com to order today!**

ELA/Language Arts with Mrs. Gabbard:

Another busy week is here in ELA class and we are ready. Students did a wonderful job with the poetry review last week. Now, students are reviewing non-fiction concepts such as features and structure. We will also complete main idea(central idea) review and practice throughout the week. Next week will be our last set of review sessions prior to the EOG Test on May 29 and we will look at fiction concepts and characteristics. Many of the review and class activities will be graded and will be classified in the Minor or Classwork/Homework category. Have a great week! Mrs. Gabbard

Math 6 and Math 6+ with Mrs. Figueroa:

We are one-third through the EOG competition. Next week, Tuesday May 14th there will be a quiz and Friday May 17th there will be a Test. Each of these assessments will be EOG related. Thank you to any parent for any snack donation. They were greatly appreciated. I will be accepting donations up until May 20th. Examples of snacks are individual chip bags, Lil Debbies, individual cracker packs, fruit wrinkles, candy etc. The Math EOG is May 30th. Have a great weekend.

Science with Mr. Hipps:

The Final Frontier,

We are currently launching our egggrastauts and filling in some of our learning gaps in space. After tomorrow, all groups will have launched, and we will focus upon space exploration and review for the test on Thursday.

After Friday's quiz it was obvious that some students are still struggling with a few concepts. So, our last retake will be tomorrow. Students need to correct Friday's quiz (returned today) and be ready for a shorter version retake tomorrow. Hopefully this quick turn-around will help students as they prepare for the upcoming test. One issue that came up perhaps more on this quiz was the misinterpretation of questions. Several students admitted they did not pay attention to specific parts of the question. For example, if asking for summer in the Southern Hemisphere, students just defaulted to the Northern Hemisphere because that is where we live.

Assessments:

Space Quiz 4 retake tomorrow (5/14)

Space Test Thursday

Key Concepts Space

1. The Earth, Moon and Sun interact in observable and predictable ways.
2. The Earth, Moon, and Sun interact to cause tides, seasons, moon phases, eclipses and night/day!
3. Because of water, gravity, atmosphere, minerals and proximity to the sun, the Earth can sustain life.
4. With the use of telescopes, manned spacecraft, and unmanned spacecraft, we can discover much about space.

Key Questions

1. Why are there predictable tides on our oceans?
2. If our earth did not have an axis tilt, what would be different about the Earth's climate?
3. Can you look up at the phase of the moon, and give the location of our sun?
4. What is the best technology to use to make new discoveries about space, telescopes, probes, rovers, and orbiters, or manned spacecraft?

Science Rocks,
Mark Hipps

Social Studies with Mrs. Rabb:

This week: We began our study of European explorers to the Americas and the effects on the indigenous peoples who had lived on these lands for years. We learned that the primary purposes for exploration were the 3 Gs--God, Glory, and Gold. We also learned that the majority of the explorers came from five European countries--the British, French, Spanish, Portuguese, and Dutch. We also began learning about the Maya people.

Next week: We will continue studying the civilizations of the Americas, including the Aztecs and the Incas. Towards mid-week, students will be given class time to complete a mini-research project and short presentation on these topics.

North Carolina Final Exam (NCFE): -- Quizlets and other review sources are now uploaded to Google Classroom. I will add more resources as I find them! While we will review some in class, everyone would benefit from doing some additional studying at home. Thank you in advance for any support you can provide in this effort! -- Mrs. Rabb

Compacted Math 6+ / 7+ with Mrs. Jones:

Upcoming Topics: This week we will start our last unit, exponent properties.

Assessments:

EOG Lesson #4 - submitted through Google Classroom by 5/12 by midnight, answers and grades will be released on 5/13...no late work will be accepted.

Unit 13 Test (5/13)

Transformations Project (5/14)

Unit 14 Quiz (5/20)

In-Class EOG review will begin on Tuesday 5/21.

Announcements:

Quarter 4 ReTest - 5/21 or 5/22...Unit 10, 12, and 13 are available to retest

Required SMART Blocks: 5/14

SMART Block Schedule

Monday - Unit 13 Test Review

Tuesday - Required for additional class instruction

Wednesday - Closed

Thursday - Closed

Math with Mrs. Hunter and Mrs. Connell: