

Hello, Trooper Families!

School-wide reminders:

- **1st Quarter Interims are coming home Monday (October 1st). You will receive an individual interim report from each teacher and a cover letter to sign and return. You will not need to return the interims....just the cover letter.**
- **October is Bullying Prevention Month. Please wear BLUE on Monday to bring awareness to the prevention of bullying.**
- **AFMS C.E.S. Club (Chargers Engaged in Service) will be collecting NEW SOCKS and donating them to Note in the Pocket and homeless shelters in North Carolina. This is a HOMEROOM competition, so let's make sure a TROOPERS HOMEROOM wins!! Please see the school and team websites for more information.**
- **Curriculum Night is Tuesday, October 9th--please see school websites for details**

ELA/Language Arts with Mrs. Gabbard:

We had a great week with our new friend, Percy Jackson! Students discussed the challenges and responses of our main character and have seen that his life has been filled with ups and downs. We can't wait to see what happens next!

Our quiz covering evidence citation and "gist" was completed today. I was very impressed to see the students incorporate text evidence to prove their thinking. On Tuesday, we will have the Mid-Unit Assessment. This test will cover action from chapter 4 and the concepts of citing evidence and making inferences. Students will be able to use their books and notes during the assessment. Mrs. Gabbard

Math 6 and Math 6+ with Mrs. Figueroa:

My advance class will begin Unit 2 On Monday, Ratios and Unit Rates. EOG 2 worksheet is due October 2nd. I have a few students who turned in the first EOG worksheet late or not in at all. Interims will go out Monday. Please review and sign them and have your child bring them back the following day. Thank you to the parents who donated skittles for the upcoming activity. I am still accepting donations. Thank-you for all you do with your child/children's and for all your support. Have a safe weekend.

Science with Mr. Hipps:

"Whats A Matta U"

Our first matter test is Wednesday October 3rd. Most students have a pretty good grasp of the basic concepts, but a few are struggling. This is partly due to a lack of effort at home. It is vital that students recognize that when we are talking about states of phases of matter, we are talking about solids, liquids, and gasses. A change of state or phase simply means going from a solid to a liquid (like melting ice).

I will load some Kahoot and Quizizz Games on the website so students can test their knowledge.

This final section on matter will begin on Thursday. It is the most difficult because of unfamiliar terms like solute, solvent, homogenous, heterogeneous, solution, suspension, and colloid. But, it is fun!

Matter Test I: Wednesday October 3rd

Student Learning Objectives:

I can explain that Density is determined by how much matter is stuffed into a defined space.

I can compare an element to a compound.

I can compare and contrast atoms, molecules, and elements.

I can explain how a gas, liquid, and solid are different on a molecular level.

I can analyze a description or diagram of molecule movement and determine the phase

Key Questions:

How do molecules behave in different phases or states of matter?

What impact does heat have upon molecule movement?

What impact does this molecule movement have upon matter?

What is the difference between a physical and a chemical property?

Science Rocks,

Mr. Hipps

Social Studies with Mrs. Rabb:

We will finish our short research activity on geography and ancient civilizations. Students will present their new learning with their small groups. We will also continue learning how to effectively take notes on informational texts. Thank you all for your support with September's Current Event activity. There was a lot of confusion at first, but hopefully we have cleared that up with the kiddos. Our next Current Event will include a rubric and will be assigned on Monday, October 8th (I need a week to grade the ones for September!).

Next Assessment: Friday, October 12th, on our geography and ancient civilizations unit--A study guide will be distributed before, and we will complete review stations to solidify our learning.

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

Upcoming Topics: This week's topics will include operations with decimals and fractions. Our work with fractions and decimals will include both positive and negative values. We will also be working with repeating decimals and fractions.

Assessments:

Unit 2 Quiz 2 (10/5) - This will include fraction and decimal operations

Unit 2 Test (10/12)

Announcements: Have a great weekend!

Website: www.tinyurl.com/AFMS-Jones

Math with Ms. Hunter and Ms. Connell:

- **Upcoming Assessments:**
 - **None at this time**
 - **Please make sure to check Power School for updated grades**
- **Topics Covered Next Week:**
 - We will be pressing forward to Unit 2: Introduction of Proportional Relationships next week. Please make sure to bring your **Teal workbook EVERYDAY to class.**
 - **Students should be reviewing their Lesson Summaries in their Workbooks nightly.**
 - Check our websites below for in-class activities, resources, and updates.
- **FYI:** Spirals are due EVERY Monday with next turn in on **Monday, October 1st.**