

SMS Grade 6 Newsletter March 13, 2023



Take a look to see what we've been working on!
Keep scrolling to see pictures from the last two weeks!

| | | |
|---|--|---|
| <p>Social Studies: Mr. Codair</p> <p>We finished our unit on Mexico last week with a BIG fiesta. The students showcased their ancient civilization projects at the Night of the Museum event. Casa Tequila very generously donated and catered the event with tacos, quesadillas, and chimicangas (pictures below). We had such a great week in 6th grade!</p> <p>We begin our unit on the Carribean this week. Big things ahead. 🌴</p> | <p>Language Arts: Mrs. Dowe</p> <p>Students read "The Veldt" by Ray Bradbury and "Lamb to the Slaughter" by Roald Dahl. Students worked on plot mapping both short stories and using text evidence to support their written summaries.</p> <p>This week students worked on completing their Night at the Museum projects, including the creation of an artifact to add to their displays. Students had a lot of fun replicating tools, pottery, temples, sculptures, and more from the Inca, Maya, Omlec, and Aztec civilizations.</p> <p>Students did an amazing job showcasing their presentation and collaboration skills during our student exhibition! Thank you to everyone who attended!</p> <p>As a reminder, students are asked to read 20 minutes a day, or 600 minutes a month. Their next reading log is due on March 6th! Please ask to see your child's reading log.</p> | <p>Math: Mr. Felch</p> <p>Next week, students have been plotting and identifying rational numbers (fractions and decimals) on a number line.</p> <p>This week, since we are closing out trimester 2 and beginning trimester 3, I will not be assigning a math packet this week.</p> <p>Extra help is every Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 2:30-3:25. I kindly ask that students let me know in advance if they plan on attending. Extra help can be used to work on current class work or their current math packet that is due each week.</p> |
| <p>Library Media: Mrs. Harter</p> <p>Students did a great job constructing their cardboard arcade games! It was nice to see so many parents come into the library and try out their child's game at the student</p> | <p>Science: Mrs. Hopkins</p> <p>We are continuing with our unit on weather in science class. This week students have been learning about high and low pressure systems and</p> | <p>Special Education Case Manager: Ms. Zammer</p> <p>Please know that I am available to help all students and I regularly consult with the team of teachers.</p> |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| <p>exposition night! This coming week we will start a unit on plagiarism, and we also have a new round of makerspace challenges to look forward to!</p> | <p>how they influence the weather. With demonstration and lab investigations they will get hands-on experience with air pressure!</p> | <p>Feel free to contact me anytime.</p> |
|---|---|---|

Reminders:

- **Please dress appropriately for the weather.**
- **The permission slip and \$20 for the field trip to the Fisher Cats in May is due ASAP. Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns.**
- **The Powerschool Portal will be closed March 7th for trimester 2 as the trimester ends March 13th. Report cards will be ready to view on the 20th.**

At-Home Conversation Starters you can ask your kids:

- What book are you independently reading right now?
- What is “Lamb to the Slaughter” by Roald Dahl about?
- What are some of the vocabulary words that you’ve learned so far?
- How many minutes do you have on your reading log?
- Share a success that you had this week.
- What is a loonie?
- What does culture mean to you?
- What are the ancient civilizations of Mesoamerica?
- How is life in Mexico similar to life in the US? How is it different?
- Where and when do you plan on doing your homework for math?
- Do you have to line up the decimals when multiplying?
- Do you have to line up the decimals when adding and subtracting?
- How is math used in Scratch coding?
- What creates high and low pressure systems?
- What type of weather is associated with high and low pressure systems?
- How does pressure and density relate to one another?
- What are you doing in makerspace?

Contact Information:

Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions, concerns, or if you need any help accessing PowerSchool.

Social Studies: Andrew Codair acodair@sau21.org

Language Arts: Alyssa Dowe adowe@sau21.org

Math: Joshua Felch jfelch@sau21.org

Library Media: Susan Harter sharter@sau21.org

Science: Lauren Hopkins lhopkins@sau21.org

Special Education Case Manager: Joanne Zammer
jzammer@sau21.org











































