

SMS Grade 6

Newsletter

September 16, 2022



Take a look to see what we've been working on so far!

<p>Social Studies: Mr. Codair</p> <p>This week we learned about the 5 themes of geography and how to apply this to the real world. We reviewed the continents and oceans and created our own world map as a reference point. We will continue with geography in the coming weeks as we turn our focus to life in NH.</p>	<p>Language Arts: Mrs. Dowe</p> <p>This week we finished watching the documentary <i>On the Way to School</i> by Pascal Plisson. We began writing a three-paragraph persuasive essay, explaining why students in first-world countries should watch this documentary. We are now linked to Google Classroom, so please keep an eye out for the Google Classroom email updates with posted materials and assignments. We reviewed MLA formatting and formatted our Google Docs for our final drafts!</p>	<p>Math: Mr. Felch</p> <p>This week in math, we continued learning about ratios and are beginning to use ratios to solve real-world problems. Next week, students will have homework for a couple of nights in math class. The assignments should not take more than 15 minutes and directly support what we are working on in the classroom.</p>
<p>Library Media: Mrs. Harter</p> <p>This week we learned how to create a Google Form in Library Media. A Google Form is a tool used to create a survey or a quiz. Students created a "Quiz About Me" and shared it with their classmates. Afterward, we learned how to interpret the results. Ask your child about Google Forms!</p>	<p>Science: Mrs. Hopkins</p> <p>This week we started our Ecology unit in science class. We are looking at what makes up an ecosystem and how living things get their energy. Students have been reviewing concepts from last year with food chains and food webs and I'm happy to report it has created a strong foundation for us to build from!</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. Feel free to contact me anytime.</p>

Reminders:

- **Ecology School forms and payment are due Sept. 23rd. Use the following website to fill out online registration and health forms.**
- Please start turning in sold raffle calendars, so we may keep track of the number sold.
- Please return your computer use forms ASAP so that we may begin using Chromebooks in class.

At-Home Conversation Starters you can ask your kids:

- What book are you currently reading?
- Explain how students from different countries travel to school.
- What does it mean to have a new perspective?
- Share a success that you had this week.
- Do you have a favorite author?
- Where and when do you plan on doing your homework for math?
- What is required each day for math class? (A PENCIL)
- How do the 5 themes of geography apply to your daily life?
- Can you use these themes to decipher different regions of the world?
- What are biotic and abiotic factors?
- How do living things get their energy?

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

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