

Middle School Matters  
Week of Jan 18-22, 2010

What's Coming Up in Middle School

- Important Dates for 8th Graders headed to Capital High:
  - March 23 - registration materials to St. Mikes-Visit from Capital to our 8th graders at 8:30. **Parents invited!** Come to 8th grade classroom.
  - March 29 - tour of Capital and skits (8-10 am)
  - March 29 - Parent Night at CHS (7pm)
  - March 31 - registration materials due back to St. Mikes
  
- Bring snack for March for Life on Tuesday.

8th Grade

Subject	Assignment
RELIGION	Read Ch 13 in <i>Faith First</i> and answer Vocabulary & Main Ideas pg 156 (all Main Ideas)
LANGUAGE ARTS VOCABULARY	Final Narrative Story due Tues, Jan 19th Vocabulary pgs 114-116. Cumulative Review II test on Thursday Grammar lessons 13.1-13.6 with test on Monday, January 25th
U.S. HISTORY	Chapter 13
MATH	Continue to factor - factor by grouping
SPECIALIST	<b>Yea to Yearbook for meeting Deadline #1!!!!</b> Art: Finishing Haring style posters. We'll begin work on the action figure collage, starting with a photo session with school cameras! Computers: Beginning group movie projects.
SCIENCE (See Notes Below)	The class will finish the investigation of moon phases and then begin studying the solar system. Element quiz #8 will be taken on Wednesday. The elements are: #36 Krypton Kr, #37 Rubidium Rb, #38 Strontium Sr, #39 Yttrium Y, and #40 Zirconium Zr.
SPANISH P.E. C.R.E.W.	Translating "Tu Risa" & Stem changing verbs Floor hockey

7th Grade

Subject	Assignment
RELIGION	Mass, and March for Life on Tuesday Group work on posters and presentations for Chapter 7 <i>Nicene Creed</i> on Friday
MATH	Types and characteristics of triangles

	Congruence of polygons Types and characteristics of quadrilaterals
HISTORY	March for Life after Mass on Tuesday. Chapter 20: The Influence of Neighboring Cultures on Japan - notes and discussion. Test on Thurs. Begin Chapter 21: Heian-kyo <i>The Heart of Japan's Golden Age</i> . Students will move through experiential stations.
LANGUAGE ARTS VOCABULARY	Grammar Ch 12 Test on Wednesday Grammar lessons 13.1-13.3 Vocabulary pgs 114-116 with Cumulative Review II test on Friday Lit - prewrite for Biography. See pg 412
SPECIALIST	Art: Finishing Haring style posters. We'll begin work on the action figure collage, starting with a photo session with school cameras! Computers: Beginning group movie projects.
SPANISH P.E.	Colors & Clothing Floor hockey
SCIENCE (See Notes Below)	The class is working on investigation #7, Moon Rocks. This investigation also teaches and works with the concept of density. Following this investigation we will study phases of the moon.

### 6th Grade

Subject	Assignment
RELIGION	Finish Four Marks of the Church posters. Prayers 17-18: <i>Joyful Mysteries</i> and <i>Prayer for Souls in Purgatory</i> due Thursday.
SCIENCE	Investigation 2 Part 2: Earth's Atmosphere. Line of Learning and Mid-Summative Exam 1-2 On Thursday. Begin Investigation 3 Part 1: How Much Sunshine?
MATH	Find the greatest common factor (GCF) by listing and by prime factorization Reduce fractions
SPANISH P.E.	Learning names of family members. Homework: Mi familia y mi casa. Floor Hockey
SPECIALIST	Art: Finishing Haring style posters. We'll begin work on the action figure collage, starting with a photo session with school cameras! Computers: Beginning group movie projects.
LANGUAGE ARTS VOCABULARY	Verb review. Adverbs 13.1 Poetry Scrapbook due Friday.
HISTORY	Ancient Egyptian daily life dramas. Presentations on Friday.

**\*NOTES FOR SCIENCE:**

A majority of the work in Science uses the FOSS kits and is done in class. Very little is done at home as homework. When a student is absent it is his or her responsibility to get any lab or journal notes, handouts, etc. from a classmate. In the event of a school closure, for each missed school day students should access a web site related to our topic that week and write a line of learning about the material they read and viewed (What did you learn? What do you wish you would have learned? What do you still have questions about?). The following are links that may be used, but feel free to search the web for other interesting sites.

NASA

<http://www.nasa.gov/>

JET PROPULSION LABORATORY CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

<http://www.jpl.nasa.gov/>

SOLAR SYSTEM SIMULATOR

<http://space.jpl.nasa.gov/>

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