

2020-2021

A Peek at Our Week...

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Mrs. Silvestri's ELA Grades 6-8

Week of February 19, 2021



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This Week in ELA Grades 6-8...

Sixth Grade continued close reading and analyzing the short story, "The Emperor's New Clothes" and a paired informational text. We are presenting research projects about dog breeds. We also read nonfiction paired texts, and we continued analyzing them. We read independent reading books and wrote dialectical journal entries, and we read nonfiction texts on Newsela. We responded to writing prompts, and we began our work with Wordly Wise Lesson 7 words. Lesson 7 spelling and vocabulary tests will be Friday, February 26th. Assignments are posted in Google Classroom.

Seventh Grade continued reading and analyzing our class novel, *The Giver*, by Lois Lowry. We also submitted and are now revising essays using a nonfiction article, the short story, "Seventh Grade" by Gary Soto, and the poem, "Oranges" by Gary Soto. We read independent reading books and wrote dialectical journal entries, and we read nonfiction texts on Newsela. We responded to writing prompts, and we began our work with Wordly Wise Lesson 7 words. Lesson 7 spelling and vocabulary tests will be Friday, February 26th. Assignments are posted in Google Classroom.

Eighth Grade began reading and analyzing our class novel, *Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie*, by Jordan Sonnenblick. We also submitted and are now revising essays about the short story, "The Monkey's Paw" by W.W. Jacobs and the paired-text article. We read independent reading books and wrote dialectical journal entries, and we read nonfiction texts on Newsela. We responded to writing prompts, and we began our work with Wordly Wise Lesson 7 words. Lesson 7 spelling and vocabulary tests will be Friday, February 26th. Assignments are posted in Google Classroom.



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ELA Grades 6-8...

Middle School English Language Arts Curriculum is aligned to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards for English Language Arts. We use the workshop model of instruction in both reading and writing. Students read and write across a wide variety of genres as well as study the effective uses of writing, mechanics, and grammar. The curriculum supports, encourages, and facilitates choice/independent reading that allows students to pursue topics and genres of interests. The curriculum also embeds text activities and literacy experiences that engage students in reading partnerships and deep, thoughtful discussions.

Sixth Grade texts include read alouds, poetry, nonfiction articles from Newsela and Scholastic *Scope* magazine, fiction texts and short stories, and the novels *Hoot*, by Carl Hiaasen and *Wonder*, by RJ Palacio.

Seventh Grade texts include read alouds, poetry, nonfiction articles from Newsela and Scholastic *Scope* magazine, fiction texts and short stories, and the novels *The Giver*, by Lois Lowry and *Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie*, by Jordan Sonnenblick.

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