

ACE NEWS

6th Grade Newsletter | October 2019

Music

This month in Music we will introduce students to the composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

We will also learn:

- Dynamics
- Tempo
- The life and music of Mozart
- The notes : D E F G A B C D E

Technology

This month students will learn video editing using their school issued iPads. They will import video, crop, trim clips, add music and sound effects, use slow motion, add titles, use filters, remove green screen, and learn about pictures in picture. Using these skills, students will create and record a skit. The students will also do 15 minutes of typing homework per week.

PE

Now that we have learned about stretching and warming up, all our teammates are ready to get in the game! Last month we had such a fun time with our team building games. This month, we will start our soccer series, learning a new fundamental each week and culminating in a scrimmage at the end of the month.

Art

In Art, students will be learning about Vincent Van Gogh and his style of art. Using different types of medium, students will be creating artwork tailored to their age group.



Happy Fall!

Can you believe it's already October? We are having a wonderful year of fun and learning as our sixth grade students serve as leaders among the students at ACE. They are acclimating well to their rigorous schedules and academic work loads, and we are tremendously proud of each and every one of them!

Language

Reading

We will complete our study of *Robin Hood*, by Roger Lancelyn Green, with a fun persuasive writing project. We will then begin our next book, *Walk Two Moons*, by Sharon Creech. *Walk Two Moons* is the compassionate story of a family coming together as told by the interweaving perspectives of different characters. There will be reading pages and comprehension questions assigned throughout the week. There will also be periodic content quizzes and we will end our book with a project.

Writing/Grammar

This month we will identify different pronoun types and uses before moving into the colorful world of adjectives. Writing assignments will be interspersed throughout our grammar curriculum and include a variety of writing styles and prompts.

Spelling

Spelling lists will include challenging words pulled from various subjects. New lists are handed out on Fridays and tested the following Friday of each week. Weekly spelling homework assignments are to be completed in provided Spelling Notebooks and is due each Friday.



Upcoming Events

October 1

Students need to bring jackets to school daily starting today

October 4

Interims go home as needed

October 11

Open House, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
(for unregistered families)

October 14

Columbus Day Holiday - No School

October 29

End of 1st Quarter
Parents Schedule Conferences
Online

October 31

Casual Day (students may wear modest casual clothing to school - no costumes please)

November 1

Report cards go home

November 1

Picture Retake Day

November 4-5

Parent/Teacher Conferences
(Parents Only Please)
No School for Students

November 8

Open House, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
(for unregistered families)

November 9

Family STEAM Night

November 22

Casual Day and American Harvest Festival

November 25-29

Thanksgiving Holiday - NO SCHOOL

STEAM

We are off and running in STEAM! We have been learning about the environment and why the intended uses of our design matter. Weather, material availability, and the forces around us all affect whether a plan will work. We are continuing to learn about the engineering design process and are working on the best way to document our designs and testing results.

Bible

Sixth graders will draw from the Word of God to see how God's principles personally affect their lives. Students will spend the year observing characters from the Old and New Testaments and the life of Christ to see how personal character can be developed based on Biblical principles.

- Josiah - King With Character - Matthew 5:4-6
- God Speaks - Matthew 5:7-9
- God's Design for Me - Matthew 5:1-9
- God's Purpose for Me - Matthew 5:10-12

Math 7

Students will adapt quickly to the thick textbook and using loose leaf paper to take notes and do their homework! We will be quickly advancing through Chapter 1 which is a review of whole numbers. At the end of the month, we will start Chapter 2 on decimals.

- Estimating Sums, Differences, Products, and Quotients
- Exponents and Square Roots
- Problem Solving
- Order of Operations
- Decimals

Science

We will dive into the dynamic world of cell structure throughout Chapters 3 and 4 in Science this October.

- October 3 - Chapter 3 Quiz
- October 10 - Chapter 3 Test
- October 17 - Chapter 4 Quiz
- October 24 - Chapter 4 Test

History

During October, World Studies will take us to the Far East as we encounter feudalism and dynasties. These will be mirrored in some ways by the royal lines and kingdoms of Europe, our next stop on this journey. Finally, toward the end of the month, Europe renews itself in many ways through the Renaissance and Reformation.

- October 1 - Chapter 3 Test
- October 10 - Chapter 4 Quiz
- October 15 - Chapter 4 Test
- October 24 - Chapter 5 Quiz
- October 29 - Chapter 5 Test

Spanish

In Spanish, upper elementary will be adding to their vocabulary. Fifth and sixth graders will be working on how to conjugate words and use them in everyday conversation.