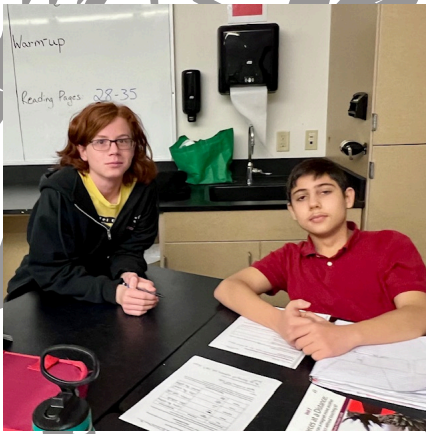


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Addenbrooke Middle School Newsletter / December 5, 2024



**Attention Parents:** We need your assistance. Several parents have been parking in the overflow lot at Denver Christian, which has created an issue. The DC administration has requested that this practice stops immediately. Additionally, it is causing concerns as many individuals are walking through the Federal property. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

## A Note from the Principal

No one does Middle School quite like Addenbrooke. During a recent tour with a prospective parent, as we walked past the middle school classrooms, the parent remarked on how well-mannered our students were. They appreciated that the students waited for our group to pass before moving in front of us and noticed the kindness in their interactions with one another. Since it was between periods, a few teachers were stationed by the doors, but overall, the students were behaving without any adult intervention. This experience reminded me that the behaviors that sometimes frustrate teachers and me are minor compared to what is typical in a middle school. We are truly fortunate to have such wonderful students.

<b>Winter, K-5 Assessment Day</b> (sign-up genius to schedule a time for each student)	<b>December 6</b> Scheduled 15 minute time for all K-5 Students 7:30 am - 4:00 pm Regular School Day for 6 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade Students
<b>Polar Express/ Parent's Night Out</b> Sponsored by Middle School Student Council	<b>December 6</b> 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Admission is a \$10 donation and a toy (donations to Toys for Tots)
<b>MAPS Winter Benchmark Assessments</b>	<b>2nd - 8th Grades: December 3-12</b> <b>HS: December 4-5, 4th Period</b>
<b>Board of Directors Meeting</b>	<b>December 10</b> 6:00 - 8:30 pm, 3rd floor HS building
<b>Kindergarten - 2nd Grade Music Performance</b>	<b>December 9</b> 6:00 - 7:00 pm, Gym
<b>3rd - 5th Grade Music Performance Music Performance</b>	<b>December 10</b> 6:00 - 7:00 pm, Gym
<b>Middle School Choir/Orchestra Concert</b>	<b>December 11</b> 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm, gym
<b>High School Choir and Orchestra Concert</b>	<b>December 12</b> 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
<b>Dress out of Uniform Day for \$1 (Holiday Sweaters)</b>	<b>December 13</b>
<b>K-8 Assembly (2nd, 3rd, and 7th Grade Recitations)</b>	<b>December 13</b> 8:00 am, Gym
<b>PACS Meeting</b>	<b>December 13</b> 9:00 am, Grammar School Commons
<b>Winter Workshop</b>	<b>December 14</b> 9:00 - 12:00
<b>K-8th Service Projects</b>	<b>December 20</b> Dismiss at 11:30 am



~ First Responders Breakfast ~  
**Friday, December 20th**  
**9:00-10:15 a.m.**

Please join us for a breakfast to celebrate and show our gratitude for all you do! We will be serving breakfast at 9 am and then have play time with the First Grade classes at Addenbrooke. Please feel free to invite others to come with you! We hope to see you and have the opportunity to honor you. You inspire our First Graders!  
Please RSVP to [lwhite@addenbrooke.org](mailto:lwhite@addenbrooke.org)

Where: Addenbrooke K-8 Building

3740 S. Cedar Street, Lakewood, CO 80226





Nicely Done and Kudoos to the MS Girls Basketball team. They will play in a tournament on Saturday and are going into it with seven wins!

Enrichment

Showcase

# December 13th

Our first enrichment showcase where students show what they have done during enrichment to their classmates is next week.

**Math 6**

We are studying percents, decimals and fractions. We are reviewing percent to a fraction and putting it in simplest form. We are going from fraction to decimals and percents in class and will be practicing more next week. On Thursday and Friday, we are doing MAPs testing. This will test their growth this year.

Please also make sure your student does not forget division and multiplication of decimals. I am seeing many students get these problems incorrect. If they are struggling, send them on Mondays for extra help and we can go over this.

Please remember that there is Math help with Lockheed on Tuesday evenings for math at 6:00 at the High School.

I am having after school math help on Mondays from 3:15 to 4:00, December 9th and the 16th. If you have any questions, please reach out to me at [ppetrozelli@addenbrooke.org](mailto:ppetrozelli@addenbrooke.org).

**Math 7**

This week, students are getting their Chapter 3 tests back. You can check infinite campus to see scores. For this test only, students are allowed to do test corrections and earn back a 100% instead of a 70%. Test corrections are due next Thursday.

Lockheed Martin has tutoring available on Tuesdays at ACA High School from 6pm - 7pm and I have after school math help on Tuesdays from 3:15 to 4:00. This is a great opportunity for students to get help with test corrections to pull up their grade. Please check google classroom for more details.

Our next unit final will involve gift wrapping to help explore surface area! Please send in holiday wrapping paper and/or tape if you are able! Does not need to be new - anything left over you don't want anymore would be great!

If you have any questions please reach out to me at [shinger@addenbrooke.org](mailto:shinger@addenbrooke.org)

**Math 8**

We are learning about functions and how graph, equations, and tables can work together (Chapter 7). This chapter will be completed by Christmas break and there will be a test.

Please make sure your students have a graphing notebook for the next few chapters.

Google Classroom is an important resource for all students. Video resources are uploaded to help with understanding of the concepts.

Most Tuesday and Thursday afternoons I am available after school until 4pm to help students with any questions on homework. Lockheed Martin has tutoring available on Tuesdays at ACA High School from 6pm - 7pm. If your student needs extra help this is a great opportunity!

If you have any questions please reach out to me at [sadamson@addenbrooke.org](mailto:sadamson@addenbrooke.org).

**Algebra and Geometry**

**Sixth- Mrs. Reynolds**

**Reading:** We have finished Act 1 of Julius Caesar and are diving into dramatic terms and devices, as well as character traits.

**Writing:** We are drafting our personal narratives and using an editing checklist to perfect our work. We are going through the entire writing process and will be typing our final copies.

**Seventh**

We returned from break ready to finish up the semester strong. At the start of the week students began their Victorian slideshow presentations in Reading and in wWriting we began discussing Rhetoric and the art of persuasion. The rest of the week has been spent MAPS testing. Next week, we will finish up presentations in Reading and work on our middle of the year informative writing assessments in Writing.

**Eighth**

**Reading -** We will finish studying will complete our study of poetry.

**Writing -** Our Teen Brain essays are due Monday. We will begin studying adverbs after we complete a in class informative essay as a mid year writing check.



# HISTORY

**Mr. Mey  
Sixth Grade**

Greek day was so much fun! Thank you again for all your help we could not have done it without you. This last part of the year is going to be a sprint for us. This week have found a way to squeeze 4 chapters. We will have a busy week next week. We will be wrapping up our Greece and Rome unit. I have passed out a study guide, they can use their notes and the books to complete the study guide. I will also post a Blooket that they can use to study at home. You can help your student by making sure they complete their study guide. You can also quiz them.

**Mr. Satchell  
Seventh Grade**

We just finished creating and presenting projects based off of World War I. Students had an opportunity to study topics such as culture, women's roles in WWI, and WWI technology. We will be wrapping up WWI in the next few weeks before break before learning about the Russian Revolution.

**Eighth Grade**

We finished creating and presenting projects about various world religions. This week, we will be learning about the causes of the American Revolution, beginning our unit on American Wars on U.S. Soil.

# SCIENCE

**Mr. Muldoon  
Sixth Grade**

**Students are starting the weather unit.  
Exploring the phenomenon of hail.**

**Mrs. Edwards  
Seventh Grade**

This unit we will be exploring metabolic reactions within the human body. We are continuing to investigate a medical case study where we will try to determine what is causing our patient to be sick. There is an EXTRA CREDIT OPPORTUNITY on Google Classroom over break.

**Eighth Grade**

This unit we will be investigating and testing how magnetism enables technological devices to function. Students have been exploring electric current and electric circuits. There is an EXTRA CREDIT OPPORTUNITY on Google Classroom over break.

# LATIN

Ms. Lafferty - Sixth grade Latin

The students have been learning about second declension nouns and how to form them and then translate them into English. We also have been practicing with the vocabulary from Chapter 7.

Chapter 7 Quiz: Tuesday 12/10 - Wednesday 12/11

**Mr. Roe and Ms. Lafferty  
Seventh Grade**

**The students have been practicing how to translate simple Latin sentences that include subjects, and direct objects. We are also practicing and learning about the vocabulary in Chapter 4. There is a vocabulary quiz next week on Friday 12/13.**

**Eighth Grade**

**The students recently took a vocabulary quiz for chapter 10 and this week we spent time reading the stories from the Oxford Latin text.**

## ART- Mrs. Troudt

Middle School art department has wrapped up a tidy gift. The students have completed the Mexican Folk Lore projects and they will be coming home. Please ask your student for them. We are currently working on a literacy component of art - the artist statement. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving break!

## Choir - Mr. Hovorka

We have been Learning the fundamentals involved with singing in a choir. We are working on Christmas songs; The Grinch, Christmas Swing, Winter Waltz, Believe and others. We are looking forward to our Christmas Concert. **Save the date: Wednesday, December 11th at 6pm.** Please have your choir student there by 5:30. (more to follow)

## Orchestra - Ms. Smith

Our Winter Concert is coming up quickly! Be ready to hear some wonderful music on Wednesday, December 11th at 6pm. Students should arrive at 5:30 for warmups. Please have students wear all black and arrive on time. It will be an amazing show!

## Physical Education - Mr. Vessey

Students should bring a water bottle and wear appropriate shoes each day. We are currently in our handball unit.



# CONCERT REMINDERS

- Any children not performing sit with your family for the entirety of the show.
- All cell phones be silenced and used only for taking pictures.
- Refrain from entering or exiting the venue during the performance unless it's an emergency, and only between songs or during transitions.
- Stay for the whole performance, even after your child has finished, as we believe every student deserves a full audience.
- We work hard to keep the concerts to about an hour, we believe these showcases help our community embrace the holiday spirit and spread joy.

