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MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER
SEPTEMBER 26, 2024



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Fundraising, financial assistance, and monthly
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Yearbook Cover Design

Students are invited to submit a yearbook cover to Mrs. Spencer by October 4th. The theme for this year's yearbook is ITS ABOUT TIME (to celebrate the 10th anniversary of being in this building). The cover must include: Addenbrooke Classical Academy K-8 and 2024-2025. Entries must be on 8 1/2 by 11 paper with the name of the student who created it and their homeroom teacher.

Picture Day Coming Soon

STUDENTS SHOULD RED POLOS.

Please see the flyer attached. If the link in this newsletter doesn't work please try the flyer attachment.

October Count Day	October 1
PreK-8th Grade Picture Day (wear red polos)	October 1
Grammar School Conferences (sign-up genius to schedule time)	October 2-16
Dad's Book Club	October 2 7:45 - 8:15 am, Library
K-5, Staff vs. Student Dodgeball Games (\$20 to participate, register ahead of time)	October 3 1:30 - 2:15, K-2 vs. Staff 2:30 - 3:10, 3-5 vs. Staff
K-8 Assembly (1st and 4th Recitation)	October 4 8:10 am, Gym
Preschool Teddy Bear Picnic	October 7 9:30 - 10:30, Grammar School Commons
5th Grade Young Ameritowne	October 8
Board of Directors Meeting	October 8 6:00 - 8:30 pm, 3rd floor HS building
Intermediate (3-5) Parent Coffee with the Principal	October 9 8:00 am, Grammar School Commons
Middle School Social	October 10 Gym and Field 3:30 - 5:00
Dress out of Uniform Day for \$1 (Pink Out)	October 11
PACS Meeting	October 11 8:00 am, Grammar School Commons
Middle & High School Parent Teacher Conferences	October 15-16 4:00 - 8:00 pm
Mom's Math Club	October 16 7:45 am - 8:15 am, Grammar School Commons
No School for Students, PD Day	October 17
Preschool Parent Teacher Conferences	October 17
Mini Break, No school	October 18-21

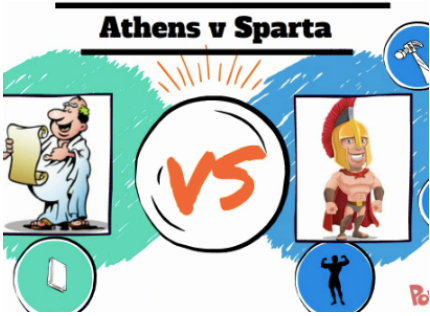
In the Classrooms

Content we are learning:

Math

Math 6	Math 7	Math 8	Algebra / Geometry
<p>Chapter 2 started this Monday. We are reviewing simplifying fractions and just finishing up adding and subtracting fractions. Fractions always have to be simplified.</p> <p>We are now starting multiplying fractions.</p> <p>Please remember that there is Math help with Lockheed on Tuesday evenings for math at 6:30 at the High School. They are helping with Math.</p> <p>Also I am having after school math on these dates until 4:00 PM.</p> <p>Every Monday</p> <p>Tuesday, October 1</p>	<p>Students are continuing to work with multiplying and dividing with positive and negative numbers - this time our focus is on decimals and fractions.</p> <p>They will have their mid-chapter quiz this Friday. The notebook assignments are a great way for students to make sure that they are understanding what they need.</p> <p>The best way is for students to do corrections from their assessments. Students can get full points for detailed QUIZ corrections and they can earn up to a 70% for TEST correct. If students would like to get their test grade higher than a C, they can turn in test corrections and take a make up test that can fully replace their previous grade.</p>	<p>Chapter 2 starts on Monday. Students will need a graphing notebook for the next few chapters.</p> <p>Google Classroom is an important resource for all students. Video resources are uploaded to help with understanding of the concepts.</p> <p>Tuesday and Thursday afternoons I am available after school until 4pm to help students with any questions on homework.</p>	<p>Chapter 1 ALG 1- Expression and Equations: Expression, Variables, Powers and Exponents, Order of Operation Equations, Word Problems that Lead to Expressions and Equations</p> <p>Chapter 1 Geometry - Points, Lines, Planes, and Angles: Points, Lines, Planes, Segments, Rays, and Distance, Angles, Postulates and Theorems About the Above.</p> <p>These are the topics that advanced math will be exploring for the next couple of weeks. At the end of each section there will be homework assigned and at the end of each chapter there will a chapter test. Google Classroom will have the notes for each chapter uploaded and the assignments posted the day I assign it to them. Geometry will be having their first test August 30th.</p>

Language Arts (Reading and Writing)

Sixth- Mrs. Reynolds	Seventh	Eighth
<p>Reading: We are continuing to read <i>The Iliad</i> and focusing on defining unknown vocabulary using context clues from the text. We are also continuing to study the Trojan War and its connection to Greek Mythology.</p> <p>Writing: We are researching the government, economy, and education systems in both Athens and Sparta to write an informative essay on which city-state students would rather have lived in, if they were a child living in ancient Greece.</p>  <p>The graphic is titled "Athens v Sparta" in a bold, black font. It features a central white circle with a large orange "VS" inside. To the left of the circle is a cartoon illustration of a man in a white lab coat holding a clipboard, representing Athens. To the right is a cartoon illustration of a Spartan warrior in red and black armor with a red plume in his helmet, representing Sparta. Below the circle are two small circular icons: one with a book and one with a person running. The background is a mix of green and blue wavy lines.</p>	<p>Reading- We are continuing to read <i>Call of the Wild</i> and had our first reading quiz. We will have our first reading vocabulary quiz next week. We are also working to identify themes in literature.</p> <p>Writing- We have begun working on writing our personal narrative rough drafts and are continuing to work on grammar, spelling, and conventions.</p>	<p>Reading - We are continuing <i>Animal Farm</i>. We are spending some time focusing on different types of propaganda and how the pigs use it. Our literature circle books connect in different ways to this novel and meet on Thursdays. Reading logs are written on Fridays.</p> <p>Writing- We will finish typing and revising our personal narratives at the end of the week. They are due Tuesday, Oct. 1. Our quiz on pronouns will be on the 2nd; then we will proceed to a review of adjectives.</p>

Science

Sixth	Seventh	Eighth
<p>We have been investigating light interaction with matter in a unit focusing on why seeing different things when looking at the same object happens. We have looked at how the light spectrum helps us with technology. We will be concluding this unit this week with a test. We will be doing in-class review. The students can be rereading their notes to study.</p>	<p>This week we have continued our study of Ecology and started to learn about and discuss the “why” of data analysis. Why do scientists collect data and compose scatter plots or line graphs? From the practical (i.e., staffing a business during peak business hours), to the research level (i.e., data from an ecosystem on population changes over time), we are looking for relationships, patterns and trends. From those relationships, patterns, and trends we may arrive at potential solutions to complex or simple problems that affect our world. We can explore and test those hypotheses to find out if our ideas lead to solutions and continue the scientific iterative process to make a difference. We have also started doing Laboratory Notebook checks (for Practice and Participation grades). Some students still do not have a spiral notebook for Science; I would appreciate any help in that regard.</p>	<p>We continue our exploration of Forces and Mass. We continue to study Newtonian Laws and have been conducting group tests to Check for Understanding of these concepts. We have also started doing Laboratory Notebook checks (for Practice and Participation grades). Some students still do not have a spiral notebook for Science; I would appreciate any help in that regard.</p>



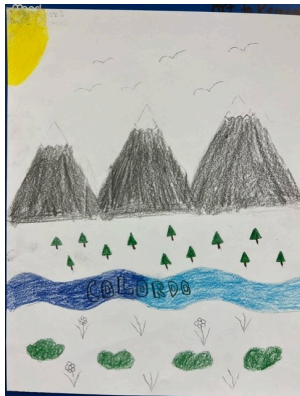
History

Sixth - Mr. Mey	Seventh - Mr. Satchell	Eighth - Mr. Satchell
<p>We are studying ancient Greece. This week we will be wrapping up Athens and Sparta. We will be comparing and contrasting the two Greek city-states. We then will be moving on to the Greco-Persian War and the outcome of the wars. We will have a vocabulary challenge on Tuesday. We have been using Quizlet to study the vocabulary words from chapters 1-4 on Mondays and Fridays. If the students do not complete it in class, it will become homework due on Tuesday.</p>	<p>Students learned about the Spanish-American War this week. This topic, along with the building of the Panama Canal, are preparing students to learn about World War I</p>	<p>We are currently preparing to attend International Towne on October 24th. Students are completing a variety of activities that have to do with international trade. One topic we explored was how a t-shirt is made from the growing of cotton to the sale of the product.</p>

Latin - Miss Lafferty and Mr. Roe

Sixth- Ms. Lafferty	Seventh and Eighth- Ms. Lafferty/Mr. Roe
<p>We have been working on first declension nouns in Latin and also have been having some fun with the History of Ancient Rome.</p>	<p>7th: We are currently working through chapter 2 of the Oxford Latin text. This chapter focuses on translating simple sentences from Latin to English and vice versa.</p>

Art - Mrs. Troudt

Sixth	Seventh	Eighth
<p>Art to Remember! Fundraiser!! We have begun our art to remember drawings. These are based on our "Love for Colorado"</p>  <p>Examples.</p>	<p>Art to Remember! Fundraiser!! We have begun our art to remember drawings. These are based on our "Love for Colorado"</p> 	<p>Art to Remember! Fundraiser!! We have begun our art to remember drawings. These are based on our "Love for Colorado"</p> 

Choir - Mr. Hovorka

We have been Learning the fundamentals involved with singing in a choir. This week we have done student lead Warm-ups. Some of the pieces we are working on in the upcoming weeks are; "Somewhere over the Rainbow", "American Tears" and "Homeward Bound" . We have been doing Karaoke Fridays to celebrate the end of the week! The students are also learning some music theory that is involved with our pieces.

Orchestra - Ms. Smith

We are continuing to practice reading music and working as an ensemble. We are learning exciting and spooky music in preparation for halloween!

Physical Education - Mr. Vessey

Students should bring a water bottle and wear appropriate shoes each day. Please send your student to school with sunscreen as we will be outside as much as possible. We are currently in our football unit.

Honor Roll Trip: So excited for this tomorrow.

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FREE TUTORS

Lockheed Martin is available to help every Tuesday!

When: Tuesdays 6:00pm-7:00 pm

Where: ACA High School
(3rd grade-12th grade)

- o No sign-up necessary, drop-ins welcome
- o Please arrive no later than 6:30
- o Remember your Chromebook/ needed materials (math book)

Tutors can help with:
Homework: Math/Science
Test Preparation

Fall Dates:
September 24
October 1
October 8
October 15
October 22

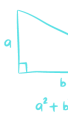
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November 19
December 3
December 10



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OCTOBER 10TH 3:15-5:30

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