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Newsletter

October 2023
Jasper Middle School
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School-Wide News

Chromebooks

Students should charge their Chromebooks each night, so they are prepared for school the next day.

Dates to Remember:

October 6: JMS Progress Reports

October 6: JMS 6th Grade Field Trip 1st Payment Due

October 10: JMS Fall Pictures

October 20: JMS 6th Grade Fall Dance

November 7: JMS Inservice - NO School

November 14: JMS Fall Pictures Retakes

November 14: JMS Parent Academy

Academic Updates

ELA - Sixth-grade students are currently in the informational unit for Language Arts. In this unit, we read and analyze informational texts while focusing on the main idea and supporting details, summarizing, text structure, research, and making inferences. We will focus on constructed responses and informational essays for our writing standards. In class, students are reading Zane and the Hurricane or The Cay.

Students are responsible for ELA morning work. Many students complete this work during homeroom, but if students are unable, they should complete it at home. Our morning work typically consists of a short passage and a few questions. Students also are reading a book of their choice. Please remember all students should aim to read for 20 minutes each weeknight.

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Math - We just finished exploring the world of statistics and are starting Unit 2. In this unit, we will be *building on student knowledge and understanding of whole numbers and fractions from elementary school, students will begin working with number relationships to deepen their connection to fractions. Students will continue computation with four operations with both fractions and decimals using a variety of strategies.*

Please remember that students have their spiral review to work on each night. Students receive the weekly review on Friday for the following week from their homeroom teacher. Many students are completing this during homeroom but please check with them to make sure it is completed before they come to school.

The spiral review is designed to review those skills that have been covered so students maintain an understanding throughout the school year.

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Finding Programs:

At JMS, our students use many great online programs to enhance and reinforce their learning experience (Reading Plus, Newsela, CommonLit, IXL, Canvas, etc.). All of these programs are accessible through Clever. When students log in on their school Chromebooks, the program automatically directs them to Clever. Once they are logged in, they can access all programs without the use of an additional login.

Science - Currently, we are comparing and contrasting the planets in our solar system in terms of size relative to Earth, surface and atmospheric features, relative distance from the sun, and ability to support life. After this section, we will be studying comets, asteroids, and meteoroids.

You may call or email me if you need to contact me for anything. My email is:

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Social Studies -

October - We have been learning about the location, climate, and natural resources of Europe, and how these things impact population distribution in Europe.

Currently, we are learning about the diversity of languages spoken within Europe (Germanic, Romance, and Slavic) as well as identifying major religions practiced in Europe (Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.)

We will work on our Unit 1B Study Guide in class on Thursday, Oct. 5th, and the Unit 1B ASSESSMENT over Europe will be given on Thursday, Oct. 12th. Blooket will be available for students to use to practice for this assessment.

Please remember I do not assign homework. If your child is absent or needs to catch up during class, they can work on missing assignments at home.

Europe

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Infinite Campus:

How to check student attendance and grades:

(<https://campus.pickens.k12.ga.us/campus/portal/pickens.jsp>)

If you need assistance, please email:
parentportal@pickenscountyschools.org

Yearbook!



Make sure to buy your JMS Yearbook.

1. Go to Jostens.com
2. Go to Find My School
3. Type in Jasper Middle School
4. Click on Jasper Middle School (Jasper, GA)

6th Grade Field Trip

When: Wednesday, April 24, 2024 - Leave at 6:00 a.m. and return to JMS at 6:30 p.m.

Where: Chattanooga, TN - Rock City, Cruise, IMAX, Aquarium

Cost: \$40 Non-Refundable Deposit due Friday, October 6, 2023

2nd Payment of \$30 due Friday, November 3 2023

3rd Payment of \$30 due Friday, February 2 2024

4th Payment of \$30 due Friday, March 1 2024

