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Newsletter

May 2024 Jasper Middle School 706-253-1730

School-Wide News

Chromebooks

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

Dates to Remember:

May 7-9: ELA Milestone Testing May 14-May 15: Math Milestone Testing May 16: Work Completion Celebration May 17: Clubs May 22: PHS Senior Walkthrough May 22: 6th Grade Field Day May 23: Report Cards/ Last Day of School!!!

Academic Updates

ELA - Sixth-grade students are reviewing all reading and writing units in preparation for the Milestones. Each week, we have been enhancing our skills in informational, narrative, and argumentative writing. Students will also be working on conventions such as pronouns, sentence types, and non-restrictive elements.

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. <u>Please remember all students should aim to read for 20 minutes each weeknight.</u>

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eileensteinhauer@pickenscountyschools.org leighchapman@pickenscountyschools.org angiemcdonald@pickenscountyschools.org laurastansell@pickenscountyschools.org **Math** - Unit 7 will introduce students to negative numbers as they are used to represent quantities that are less than zero such as temperatures, elevation, scores in games or sports, and loss of income in business. The importance of zero is emphasized in this exploration of numbers. There will be a focus on the concepts of opposites and absolute value, and how both are uniquely useful in ordering and graphing positive and negative numbers. Unit 8 will introduce students to graphing coordinates in all four quadrants of the coordinate plane.

Please remember that students have their spiral review to work on each night. Students receive the weekly review on Monday 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:

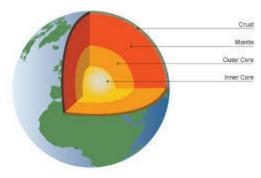
At JMS, students use many online programs to enhance and reinforce their learning experience (CommonLit, IXL, Canvas, etc.). All of these programs are accessible through Clever. When students log in on their school Chromebooks, the program automatically directs them to Clever. Once they are logged in,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

Science

<u>Earth's Layers</u> - Our classes will study the compositional and physical layers of Earth and describe their properties.

<u>Geologic Change Over Time</u> - This unit involves Earth's materials, such as rock, fossils, and ice, and how this shows that Earth has changed over time.

<u>Plate Tectonics</u> - Students will study the theory of plate tectonics and how they move. Certain geologic events occur because of this plate movement.



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Infinite Campus:

How to check student grades:

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

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

Social Studies -

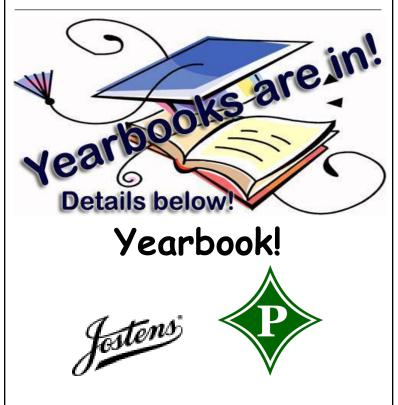
Our classes are currently learning about:

• The Transatlantic Slave Trade in Latin America

• Modern Issues facing Latin America today (Poverty, the War on Drugs, and Migration)

Following these lessons, we will do a brief study of Australia to end our year.

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