

# 6th Grade Team Black 2019 September Newsletter



## Language Arts - Ms. Mar

What a great start we have had to the new school year. I have enjoyed getting to know about your child. We began Unit 1 of our new curriculum last week and are using our texts to consider our essential questions: "What are the challenges and triumphs of growing up?" and "How can challenges turn into triumphs?". Your child has experienced many new changes moving to Middle School.

We are working hard to help them make new friends and remember new procedures and expectations required in Middle School. My greatest desire is that your child feels safe, loved, needed, and valued at Wilbur. Please do not hesitate to contact me for any reason. [dmar@usd259.net](mailto:dmar@usd259.net)

## Math - Ms. Alvarado

**Hello! Math has been an adventure so far! We are still getting in the routine of using our Math Workbooks, working on Mathia, and remembering expectations. We are at the end of our Factors and Area topic, getting ready to begin our Positive Rational Numbers topic. Encourage your child to continue working on Mathia at home if possible, or to use the time at school wisely. We're going to have a successful year!**

## Social Studies - Ms. Faulkner

Social Studies: Knowledge is Power!

I hope your child loves Social Studies as much as I love teaching it!

We continue to work on continents, oceans, and other items that are marked on the WORLD map your child made. Please continue studying with your child. There will be a test before conferences in September.

In the last few weeks we started with some common vocabulary used in social studies. We also learned about prehistory or what we refer to as the period before the development of writing. In September, we will jump ahead to about 20,000 years ago when humankind began to develop and migrate as hunters and gatherers, known as the Paleolithic Era. After that we will learn about the improvements made during the Agricultural Revolution, also known as the Neolithic Era. So much good stuff!!

## Science - Mrs. Angle

We are off to a great start in Science. We have gone over our policies procedures and covered all of the safety rules. We have set up our notebooks which should be in the students' binders behind the Science tab. We will be putting all of our notes and work in these and students will be using them to help them review for quizzes and tests. The metric system has been introduced and we have practiced measuring length, mass and volume using the metric system. We are moving into our first unit on Motion. The focus will be on Newton's Laws. We will be practicing our measuring skills.

Please remember to send in your boxtops and download the app for scanning new boxtops. Remember, right now, you can double dip. Scan the receipt after the purchase of boxtop items and then cut out the boxtop and send them in with your child.

## Upcoming Events

**Conferences: Tues, Sept. 24, 1:45-7:00  
Thurs. Sept. 26, 1:45-6:30**

