



Wilbur Middle School

6th Grade Team White



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Please keep checking your students supply of supplies; pencils, paper, etc. They made good use of their supplies since the beginning of the year but many are running low on some.

Math—Ms. Johnson



Happy 2020, we begin this year with a focus on Expressions and Equations. We will build on our knowledge of numeric expressions, patterns, and operations. Class work and Mathia workspaces will investigate equations and graphs as well as develop strategies to make sense and reason about the unknown in real-world and mathematical problems. (Please be patient is showing students rules and algebraic short-cuts for math. We are working on critical thinking and reasoning and expect progress with some struggle!)

~ Ms. Johnson

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Box Tops for Education means \$\$\$ for our science classroom. Thank you.

Reveal Your REP

Wilbur Wranglers by:
*showing Respect,
seeking Excellence,
and having Pride.*

Protecting our REP:

By showing RE-SPECT with your actions and words, EXCELLENCE in all you do, and PRIDE in your work.

Science News—Mrs. Mora



We are off to a great start for the New Year in Science. Students will be introduced to the wonderful world of chemistry. They will learn the difference between atoms and molecules and mixtures and how they combine to make all of the matter around us. They should be able to identify the basic parts of an atom and their charges. We will use the periodic table as a tool to find information about the elements.

As always, if you have questions or concerns, please email me. ~ Mrs. Mora



Social Studies—Mr. Griffin



The month of January has us studying India and China. We will study the culture, geography as well as the contributions each ancient civilizations contributed and how we still use those inventions and contributions today. The student will have assignments/projects to complete at home. We will compare the caste system of India with that of the social structures of other river civilizations plus that of the united states. An in depth discussion of the religions of Buddhism and Hinduism and their impacts on cultures and government. With the unit over China we will concentrate on the dynasties and the philosophies as well as the inventions and technologies that simplified their life as well as ours.

~ Mr. Griffin



Language Arts News —Ms. Speer

Tips to Stay Well



It is a tough time of year for staying healthy. It may seem like your child is constantly getting sick! Here are some tips on staying

well from the Mayo Clinic.

- **Frequent hand-washing** is one of the simplest — and most effective — ways to prevent the spread of germs.
- **Use hand sanitizer.** Give your child alcohol-based hand sanitizer to use when hand-washing isn't possible.
- **Cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze.** Teach your child to cough or sneeze into a tissue — then toss it. If it isn't possible to reach a tissue in time, remind your child to cough or sneeze into the crook of his or her arm.
- **Keep your hands away from your eyes, nose and mouth.** Remind your child that germs spread this way.

—Adapted from MayoClinic.org

Welcome back to school! Hopefully everyone had a nice and restful break. To kick off 2020, we are starting our next unit which will be based around the idea of Imagination. Throughout this unit, we will be exploring various types of texts, including excerpts from “The Phantom Tollbooth”. Students will think critically about how we use our imagination and where it can lead it. The culmination of this unit will include students relying on their imagination to create a story.

Language Arts



☺ Ms. Speer

Wilbur Goal: 6 books read by the end of the 3rd quarter with a celebration for those reaching