

Sixth Grade Red Team

Wilbur Middle School 2018-19



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MAY NEWS

"Paper, pencils, supplies, oh my" are what the teachers are saying as we are reminding students daily to have their "tools" for the classroom. Please check with your child about their supplies. Even though there is less than a month of school we still have lots of work to do.



Second Semester Finals

May 17th - ELA & Social Studies

May 20th - Science

May 21st & May 22nd - Math

Late work policy:

- Students have 5 days to turn in work late.
- Late work will receive a 10% penalty
- After 5 days it is too late to turn it in

Important Dates:

May 3rd - Newsletter posted &
Carriage Crossing Pie Fundraiser Delivery
May 7th - Vocal music concert 7:00
May 14th - Band concert 7:00
May 21st - Orchestra concert 7:00
May 23rd - Last day of school

Last week of tutoring

Monday - Thursday
3:20 to 4:30

To sign up for tutoring, parents can contact Mr. Hysom or students can sign up in room 111.



Summer Ideas to Eliminate the "Slump"

Don't forget to visit your local library or book store and read some books. Remember to keep up your math skills with some quick math challenges. Also, check out a local museum and try a science experiment or two.

We hope you get a chance to enjoy summer break with family and friends. If you travel, please be safe, but most of all enjoy this time with your child.

Language Arts News (Ms. Ficken)

Currently, we are working through our novel. Ask your child about what we are reading in class. We will wrap up the year by writing a letter to their seventh grade language arts teacher. This has been a tradition in my classroom. The 7th grade teachers look forward to these every year. They love meeting their new students through their letters. We'll write a rough draft in class and then go to the library to publish them.

One last thing, I need your help in getting my books back to my classroom. I am missing several textbooks and lots of my personal books. My shelves were full when we started the year, and now I'm missing lots of books. Check your child's room and encourage them to return them ASAP.

I would encourage your child to check out the Wichita Public Library summer reading program. Keep reading!!

Math News (Mr. Hysom)

It's hard to believe that May is already upon us. We have started working on our final unit, Statistics. Students will be working on calculating Mean, Median, Mode, and Range, and learning how to graph the information and summarize.

May 17th will be the last day that missing work or corrections can be turned in.

Math Final will be May 21st and May 22rd.

Science News (Ms. Angle)

In 6th Grade Science, we are doing a quick overview of the water cycle. Then we will move on to our last unit on Weather. This will be really crammed but we will try to cover it as well as possible. Students have a final on May 20th. It will cover everything we have covered the 2nd semester. This starts on pg. 48 of their notebooks. Some students have a really great resource as they have it all in order. They should look over a few pages every night, maybe make up some vocab cards with the vocabulary words and looking at the activities and quizzes and tests. Some, however, have very few papers in their notebook and have just not completed it the way they should have. I am not sure what they will be using as a study tool.

Just a reminder that many students need pencils. I have been losing 4-5 every day and many more than that are being borrowed. Also, please be advised that I am NOT accepting late work anymore. The habit of turning work in on time should be well established by now. If work is not completed, I pick it up anyway and give them credit for what is completed. If they want, they may come in during recess to complete it. They must give up their time if I have to give up mine to grade the late work. Hopefully, students can power up for the final few weeks and finish strong.

Social Studies News (Ms. Daniels)

We have finished the writing project over citizenship and have started a new unit a little closer to home called Mesoamerica. **This area of study will explore the Maya, Aztec and Inca Civilizations from Central America and South America.**

The 2nd semester final will be given on Friday, May 17. The final will be over the Mesoamerican Civilizations. Your child will have notes to review and study for the final. This will NOT be an open note test. Therefore, your child will need to prepare ahead. Daily attendance will make this so much easier for your child. Thank you for getting your child to school each day.

As the year comes to an end, I hope your child has learned that history speaks to us about the past, helps us make informed decisions in the present—those decisions will determine the success of our future. My hope is that your child will become an active citizen and protect the privileges and freedoms of this great country. **Check out the history channel this summer!!!** Thank you for the opportunity to share lessons from the past with your child this year!!!!