

SMS Grade 6 Newsletter January 27, 2023



Take a look to see what we've been working on!
Keep scrolling to see some pictures from this week!

<p>Social Studies: Mr. Codair</p> <p>After a long week of testing the students were still able to present their 'Canadian Website' project. They did a fantastic job highlighting a province in Canada displaying its history, culture, and local attractions. The students really immersed themselves in their province and the websites came out wonderfully.</p> <p>Next week we begin our unit about Mexico. Similar to our Canada unit we will be looking at geography, culture, and history as well.</p> <p>Big things are ahead!</p> <p>*Also in Flex this week we decorated some cookies! Pictures below*</p>	<p>Language Arts: Mrs. Dowe</p> <p>This was a busy week with NWEA testing and the pep rally! Students did an excellent job working hard on their testing, which we know is not easy! We hosted a cereal bar for students to ensure that all students had a hearty breakfast before testing!</p> <p>This week students finished their persuasive writing pieces and are finalizing their letters to mail to companies, sharing their persuasive writing pieces. Students also worked on creating signatures in order to sign their letters, which has been a little bit of a challenge, so students are learning some cursive in order to sign their names. Next week we will work on how to address an envelope and mail our letters off!</p> <p><i>As a reminder, students are asked to read 20 minutes a day, or 600 minutes a month. Their next reading log is due on February 2! Please ask to see your child's reading log.</i></p>	<p>Math: Mr. Felch</p> <p>Next week, students will begin working with adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing decimals.</p> <p>Students continue to get a weekly math packet at the beginning of each week and it is due each Thursday. Next week's packet is packet #8. <i>If students do not have this packet done by Thursday, they are expected to show up to my room during flex to complete the packet and/or receive any help, if needed. If students continually aren't getting their packets turned in, I will be contacting home for your support.</i></p> <p>I am planning on holding extra help on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 2:30-3:25. I kindly ask that students let me know in advance if they plan on attending. Extra help can be used to work on current class work or their current math packet that is due each week.</p>
<p>Library Media: Mrs. Harter</p> <p>Students are starting their book projects this week in Library Media. We will begin by writing book reviews and researching the author of the book. Students will be</p>	<p>Science: Mrs. Hopkins</p> <p>Students are wrapping up their thermal energy project and will be testing them out on Monday. We have also started our next unit on</p>	<p>Special Education Case Manager: Ms. Zammer</p> <p>Please know that I am available to help all students and I regularly consult with the team of teachers.</p>

<p>creating cardboard arcade games towards the end of February. Now would be a great time for them to start collecting cardboard boxes, paper towels or wrapping paper tubes, and any other recyclable materials. More to come on the cardboard arcade project!</p>	<p>weather and climate, starting with exploring the atmosphere!</p>	<p>Feel free to contact me anytime.</p>
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Reminders:

- **Reading Log due Wednesday, February 1st**
- **Vocabulary workbook chapters 1-3 due Friday, February 3rd.**
- **Wednesday, February 1st is an EARLY RELEASE DAY!**

At-Home Conversation Starters you can ask your kids:

- What book are you independently reading right now?
- What does your signature look like?
- How many minutes do you have on your reading log?
- Share a success that you had this week.
- What is a loonie?
- What does culture mean to you?
- How many provinces/territories of Canada are there? Can you name them all?
- Where and when do you plan on doing your homework for math?
- How do you simplify $12/14$?
- How do you change an improper fraction into a mixed number?
- How do you change a mixed number into an improper fraction?
- What does Keep-Change-Flip(reciprocal) mean?
- What are the three ways heat can transfer?
- What is an example of conduction, convection, and radiation?
- What is an insulator? What is a conductor? Do you know any examples?
- How is math used in Scratch coding?

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