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What's happening in the middle school?

6th Grade

In Math, we are learning about the meaning of area and how to find the area of parallelograms and triangles. In Social Studies 6, we are starting our Early Humans unit.

7th Grade

In 7th grade Math, we are beginning our algebra unit and students will need access to a scientific calculator for the remainder of the year. Students are encouraged to purchase their own if possible (TI-30XIIS preferred) or can see Mrs. Maguire to borrow one for the year. In English 7, we will continue working on our vocabulary units to improve and enhance our vocabulary skills. We will be reading a ReadWorks zombie story and students will be creating an ending for it. Students will also be creating a short story titled, "Project Contamination," using literary elements and working with plot.

8th Grade

In 8th grade Science, we've been reviewing measurement and graphing and are beginning to explore what it means for something to be "living." In Biology, we're exploring scientific classification and are enjoying looking at microscopic organisms in pond water! In English 8, the students are continuing their horror unit. They are reading a poem about Frankenstein's monster and two short stories, "The Monkey's Paw," by W.W. Jacobs and "The Most Dangerous Game," by Richard Connell. They are reviewing foreshadowing, plot, suspense and conflict and will use these literary elements in their own scary short stories. In 8th grade Math we are working with exponents and algebra, we are working with inequalities.



Microscopic Organisms [Science 8]

Halloween Costumes

Halloween costumes are allowed to be worn in the middle school.

However, please remember costumes need to **follow the school dress code**. They **cannot include blood and gore**, and **masks are not allowed to completely cover the student's face** and must allow students to wear their COVID-19 required masks. Costumes **cannot include fake firearms or weapons**.

If you have any questions please contact the middle school office.

From Mr. Hoover

With a great deal of help from all of you we are continuing to push forward. Each week, and sometimes even each day, we are making adjustments to make in-person and remote learning smoother and more effective. If we can do anything to help don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Quick Reminders

-Breakfasts and Lunches

-If your child is not getting meals for their remote learning days and needs them, please let us know by calling the middle school office.

-Parent and Student Google Help

-www.waltoncsd.org/technology.aspx

-<https://tinyurl.com/yy2hgcww>

-PTSA News

-The PTSA is always looking for new members. If you are interested in joining please contact

jmwright@waltoncsd.org

Picture Days

Picture days for our middle school students will be on **November 10 and 12**. Students will have their photo taken on the day they are in-person. **Sixth grade students** will have their picture taken on **November 10**. Fully remote students should call in to schedule an appointment time by calling the middle school office.

