



6th Grade Newsletter (December 2016)

Dear 6th Grade Families,

There are only two and a half weeks left in the month but there is a lot happening. Please take a few minutes to peruse what your scholars are learning the rest of December and the upcoming events on the calendar.

Class to Class - What's Being Learned in the 6th Grade Hallway

ELA - Mr. Pearsall - jpearsall@motthall2.org

We will be using our Notice and Note close-reading skills as we read S. E. Hinton's *The Outsiders*. We will continue to work on sentence combining as well as focus on writing stronger paragraphs.

Math - Mr. Redmond - lredmond@motthall2.org

In December scholars will finish off a unit on number lines and the coordinate plane. This includes a lot of thinking about negative numbers, their relation to the old familiar positives and why we would need negative numbers in the first place. Encourage your scholar to practice on TenMarks doing any Assignments that may still be in their classwork and to polish skills with Jam Sessions.

Science - Ms. Acevedo - yacevedo@motthall2.org

In December, we will continue to focus on our Energy Unit. We will be researching the different nonrenewable and renewable resources as well as alternative energy.

Scholars will be receiving his/her lab report during the week of December 12th. This will allow scholars to review next steps/feedback points.

Social Studies - Ms. Breach - lbreach@motthall2.org

This month we are studying Ancient India. The unit will culminate with a PowerPoint project. Students will be studying a topic of interest and will create a PowerPoint presentation with a partner. Presentations will be on Tuesday Dec. 20th through Friday Dec. 23rd. Parents will be invited to attend the presentations. We also started our Enrichment program for students who are looking for a challenge. Please see the class webpage for more information.

On the Calendar - Upcoming Events

Dec. 8 - Progress Reports Distributed

Dec. 22 - ACE Day

Dec. 9 - Winter Dance

Dec. 26 ~ Jan. 2 - Winter Break

Dec. 19 + 21 - 6th Grade Trip to Hall of Science

6th Grade Suggestions

- Keep an eye out for permission slips to the next 6th Grade field trip which will be to the Hall of Science.
- **IMPORTANT NOTE:** To stress the importance of proper behavior on field trips beginning Thursday December 8th, if any scholar receives more than 3 detentions before the trip they will not be allowed to join their classmates. We will reach out to families if any scholars are at risk of missing the trip.

Sincerely,
6th Grade Team (Acevedo, Breach, Kim, Pearsall, Redmond)

