

Special Education Team Newsletter for the week of



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Teachers

Mr. DeGroot

Mrs. Berwanger

Ms. Delatte

Mrs. Lane

Psychologist

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Katie O'Connor

Speech

Sarah Healy

Social Work

Mrs. Justice

Mr. C (intern for social work)

PT

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Tracy Riley (PT assistant)

Vision

Allison Serbin

Hearing

Bridgett Lessentien

Checking your child's grades on Powerschool: Please see these two links to set up the Powerschool app and how to proceed from there.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qM6KKUd92ss&feature=youtu.be>

<https://help.powerschool.com/t5/District-Code-and-Login/Using-the-PowerSchool-Mobile-App/ta-p/21424>

FROM THE TEACHER'S DESK

Mrs. Lane's Instructional ELA: We will continue to use iLit to read our current novel, *Because of Winn Dixie*. Students will have daily skill assignments that go along with the day's lesson. These assignments will be completed in iLit, scored, and returned to the students. Please

encourage your child to utilize this time to ask any questions they may have. As a reminder, your child can join the zoom of any teacher, including myself, every day from 1:15-2:00 to seek assistance with any homework assignments.

Mrs. Lane's Instructional Math: Students will continue working on the Everyday Math curriculum. They will work in small groups on the lesson with either myself, or Mrs. Peppo, my paraprofessional, until 12:05. At that time, all students will be put back into the large group and will be given their math assignment. They will stay in this large group on zoom with Mrs. Peppo. During this time, students can seek assistance for information that they don't understand. As a reminder, your child can join the zoom of any teacher, including myself, every day from 1:15-2:00 to seek assistance with any homework assignments.

Mrs. Berwanger's Instructional Science and Social Studies: Hi everyone!! We will begin working in our Social Studies book ***Social Studies Alive! Regions of Our Country!*** I'm so excited to get started. The materials could be found on the student portal TCI. Students did receive the text book along with the interactive notebook.

Mrs. Berwanger's 5th Grade Instructional Math Class: Hi Everyone! If you haven't already, please visit the on-line option for the text book. For additional practice on the skills taught you'll find some awesome games that I know the students love to play. Grades will be added to Powerschool soon to check for understanding for skills taught. Also, check back in google classroom for items that could be printed for support when working on skills.

Ms. Delatte's Instructional 5th grade ELA: We will be reading Chapters 8- 11 this week in our book Alamo Wars and completing

assignments in Unit 1, Lesson 3 through Lesson 5 the iLit program. We will be completing the reading portion of the Aims benchmark for Fall. Breakout rooms will be used to complete different activities and goal work. Remember your child can join Ms. Delatte's Zoom Room every day from 1:15-2:00 to get help with an assignment or ask questions.

Ms. Delatte's Instructional Math: We finished Unit 1 and will begin Unit 2 - Multiplication Number Sense in Digits. This week we will be covering Addition, Multiplication, and Distributive Properties. Their homework is online and the daily schedule/homework will be updated in Google Classroom each day. Remember your child can join Ms. Delatte's Zoom Room every day from 1:15-2:00 to get help with an assignment or ask questions.

Mr. DeGroot's Class

We seem to be off to a great start! ELA class will be from 7:55-9:30 each day. This week we are starting iLit Unit 1, Lessons 13-17 and the book title for the unit is "Saint Louis Armstrong Beach" by Brenda Woods. The Essential question for the unit is "What is our place in nature?" At this point in the book, it is early August 2005, just before Hurricane Katrina came ashore in New Orleans. Saint and his family are in the process of preparing to evacuate. Saint and his dad are boarding up their house and helping the neighbors board up as well. This is a stressful time for the family because Saint's mom works at the local hospital as a social worker, and they are trying to arrange the safe evacuation of critically ill patients. There will be synchronous instruction for 60 minutes and 30 minutes of asynchronous learning. During asynchronous instruction, my Zoom will still be active and students can raise their hand for help. We will also be having break out sessions to give small group and individual help. If I'm working with one group of students, Mrs.

V., class paraprofessional, will be working with the other group students. I also have office hours each day from 1:15-2:00 when students can get assistance with any ELA assignments. Students can join my Zoom and they can get help. Please reach out to me if you need any assistance or have any questions.