

# [7th Grade Newsletter]

**SFA MIDDLE SCHOOL  
MARCH 2010**

## **Religion (Nennig)**

- The 7th graders are studying the veneration of Our Lady in Latin America. The students will prepare a presentation about their assigned country's Virgin which will be due on Wednesday or Thursday.
- Please encourage your students to work on their service hours over Spring break! Thank you.

## **Language Arts (LeWarne)**

- The 7th graders have been working on their career research paper all week. The first draft is due on Monday and the final is due on Wednesday. I gave the rubric to the students today, so they know what to do.
- They're also presenting their job shadow experiences. Wow! What wonderful experiences! Thank you SO much for your support. The kids are so appreciative and so am I!

## **Social Studies (Wallace)**

- The 7th graders have started their new unit on Latin America. They have been assigned a project for Latin America in which they will be researching the culture, history, and government of a selected Latin American nation. We are working towards a Latin American festival on May 5th from 1:30-3:20 pm in the large meeting room. I will be sending home more information as the date draws closer.

## **Science (Mistry)**

- The 7th graders have recently completed their study of nutrition and the digestive system. They made a food log, learned how to read a food label and created menus during the unit. They now have a better idea of how their body uses food and the importance of a balanced diet. They also enjoyed tasting various fruits and veggies and designing healthy snacks.
- We are currently studying the circulatory system and learning about how the heart works. Next week we will be doing a blood typing lab using simulated blood.

## **Math (Streff)**

- 7th graders just completed Chapter 6, Percents. They all know how to figure sales tax, estimate a 15% tip, and solve percent problems. They have started Chapter 8, Geometry. We will spend the next several weeks learning about lines, rays, points, angles, triangles, squares, and rectangles, just to name a few. It is a fun chapter, as we do more than just work with numbers.
- This past Wednesday, March 3, all 7th graders took the Algebra Aptitude Test. It is one of three components used to help determine those who qualify to take Algebra as an 8th grader. I will be communicating with parents in several weeks concerning whether or not their child qualified and what it all means.

## **Mark your Calendar!!**

- ⇒ Wednesday, March 10th—Spirit Wear & Rock in Prevention
- ⇒ Friday, March 12-Friday, March 19th—Spring Break!
- ⇒ Monday, March 22nd—Shakespeare Performance
- ⇒ Friday, March 26th—Reconciliation
- ⇒ Friday, April 2nd—Stations of the Cross