

# 6th Grade Newsletter

## Upcoming Events:

**Tuesday, November 22nd-Monday, November 28th:**

no school (conferences & Thanksgiving break)

**Tuesday, November 29th:**

return to school, Advent Prayer Service at 8:45



**“In fact, it is the struggle that causes you to develop your ability to fly!”**

November 18, 2011

## Religion:

- We have started an in-class group project this week that summarizes where we have come in the 1st trimester. It's an Old Testament Timeline that displays who was called by God to prepare the people for the coming of Jesus. We will continue this timeline later in the year, as well. All of the work for this project is to be done in class, and they will be presented on November 30th.
- Since we are now in the 2nd trimester, students are required to earn 2 more hours of service before the end of the trimester in February (students must have a total of 4 service hours by the end of the 2nd trimester-a lot of them are already there!) :

## Social Studies:

- At the start of the 2nd trimester, we switched from our geography textbook to our ancient cultures textbook.
- We are currently learning about the beginnings of civilizations.
- A vocabulary quiz for Unit 3 (chapter 1 of our new book) is tentatively set for Thursday, December 1st. Our unit test is tentatively set for Monday, December 5th or Tuesday, December 6th.

## Math:

- Students practiced calculating range, mode, median, and mean of a set of numbers. Great results on the quiz today!
- The students read and answered questions from bar graphs, line graphs, and stem-leaf plots.
- The students will spend the week after Thanksgiving Break, November 28th-December 2nd, creating graphs using Excel.
- The students will be assessed on reading and making graphs the week of December 5th.

## Science:

- The students have continued to work on measurement. This week they spent the week understanding and measuring density.
- We will create a bar graph on Excel using the data collected from the density activity.
- The students should be studying their notes and content frames that we completed this week.
- Test is tentatively scheduled for Friday, December 2nd.

## Language Arts:

- Students continue to have weekly spelling words and should always be studying in addition to their homework
- Grammar and writing will resume after the break

## Reading:

- We have finished reading letters from Rifka. As an extension activity to the book, students have chosen between three projects. They can either write an essay to compare immigration from one hundred years ago to today, write a letter from the perspective of a different person immigrating at the same time as Rifka, or research their family history to create an elaborate family tree. It is overlapping with Thanksgiving break to give students an opportunity to talk to family members about their history. I hope you and your child enjoy discussing where your family came from!
- We will begin our next class book after the break.