6th Grade Weekly Newsletter
Oct. 4th-Oct. 8th

**Important Dates:**
- Oct 8th End of 1st Quarter
- Oct. 11-15th Fall Break
- Oct. 20th Picture Retakes
- Oct. 27-29 Early Release 12:20pm (Conferences) Sign-up coming soon

**General Announcements/Reminders:**
- Order your Tonalea Spirit gear using the link below: 
  https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UgP3KXXd2IpiVC5u9suTqX3Bapfyj7jE0FVdx1VrDal/edit?usp=sharing Last day to order is Oct. 7th!
- Please remind students to bring their **computers and chargers every day**.
- Students should be filling out their agendas in their AVID binders daily beginning this week. Please **check your student's agenda nightly** to view any reminders, see homework assignments, and information on topics of study.
- **Remember to check ParentVue** to see the student's weekly grades.
- If your student is **absent or put on quarantine**, their classwork **can be found and completed in Google Classroom**. Whenever possible, please support your student in not falling behind when absent!
- **Discounted Suns Tickets**: Below is a link for Suns tickets this season at a discounted rate. Every purchase goes to the Coronado girl's basketball team playing their first game at the Suns' Arena. Promote within our community if you can. 
  https://forms.gle/2wSaZLsKTxigrd68
- Each **Wednesday** is college shirt day and **Fridays** are “red outs” (wear a Tonalea shirt or just red).
6th GRADE WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES:

ELA:
Stephens, ELA: sstephens@susd.org
Student’s weekly homework is to pass at least 2 lessons and have 40 minutes on their iReady reading path. This week we will be focusing on character traits and theme. We will also be spending a few days taking the district Benchmark test. Happy Fall Break!!

Sayles, ELA Honors: rsayles@susd.org
We are studying the novel *Echo* by Pam Munoz Ryan. Students are responsible for written responses and vocabulary related to the reading. This work is done in class. While at home, students should be working on their I-ready reading lessons and they also have an independent reading book from the library. If your student was unable to take out a book due to missing books or money owed on an account, they can use the on-line version library with SORA.

Social Studies:
Slamowitz, Social Studies Honors: pslamowitz@susd.org
In Social Studies Honors this week we are moving into our new unit Egypt. We will be exploring vocabulary words that we will see during the unit. Our words will be put into our composition book in 2 and 3 column notes. Please ask your student to share their composition book with you and the new words they are learning.

Science:
Hostal, Science: jhostal@susd.org
Sixth grade science students will be learning about some of the different kinds of observations that scientists make when making observations. Then we will put our new knowledge into practice as we collect both qualitative and quantitative data about catching a ball.

Hernandez, Science: phernandez@susd.org
This week in science we will consider trade-offs of taking medicine when they are ill. We will then move on to evaluating clinical trials with different proposals for conducting clinical trials. Lastly we will finish our unit by taking our second quiz.

Electives:
Miller, Art: sallymiller2@susd.org
In Art we are finishing our unit on Origami and beginning a new unit on Watercolor. Please email me at sallymiller2@susd.org with any questions or concerns!

**Slamowitz, MTS: pslamowitz@susd.org**
My amazing MTS scholars are continuing with two-digit multiplication learning new processes on how to solve the problem. Then we are going to learn how to round the numbers as well.

**Becerra, PE: mbecerra@susd.org**
To finish the quarter in Physical Education, Students will be playing in various team and individual games throughout the week. Games will be working on strategy and tactics, speed, coordination and agility

**Chango, Spanish/STEM: ichango@susd.org**
This week in STEM, students will travel to Peru to explore one of the most beautiful places in the world (Machupicchu). Here they will review vocabulary about the Problem-Solving Process and how it can help them to gather, analyze, and produce data.

In Spanish exploratory, students will start learning new vocabulary which will help them to express feelings and describe their personality traits. They will also prepare an oral presentation to describe what are their favorite activities after school, on the weekends, and when they share time with their friends. It is very important to let students understand that this will be the last week of the first quarter; therefore, in my class, they will have some extra time to complete any missing assignment they have not submitted since the beginning of the year.

**Goodman, Language and Literature Intervention:Aimee.Goodman@susd.org**
RTS- We will continue small group rotations to work on targeted reading skills such as informational text features and syllable patterns. Students will also review i-Ready goals and progress so far. I-Ready time is part of our small group rotations.

**Counselor:**
**Tronzo, Counselor: gtronzo@susd.org**
Fall is here! If you have been checking your student's grades on Parentvue, and are seeing missing assignments, remember there are still a few days for them to turn in missing assignments before grades are posted. October 5th is the deadline for the end of quarter grading.

Once returning from break, 6th grade students will be changing some of their elective classes. A few of the electives are only a quarter in length. We will also be moving students into Math and Reading Intervention classes for extra support. Please have your student check Studentvue for their new class schedule for Quarter 2 before returning to school on Monday, October 18th. Happy Break!

**Other Teacher Contact Information:**
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