

MS. BRAUNINGER'S CLASSROOM NEWS



THIS WEEK IN 5-8 MATH/SCIENCE

Our 5–8 science classes are beginning the year by learning what it means to think, work, communicate, and problem-solve like scientists. We are focusing on the scientific method, including how scientists ask questions, make predictions, identify variables, collect and analyze data, and use evidence to communicate conclusions. Students will have opportunities to practice these skills through several hands-on investigations, including:

-  Rocket Lab and  Slime Lab
-  Identifying and analyzing variables
-  Writing observations, data, and conclusions
-  Communicating scientific thinking and evidence

Students are learning about “Math-ish,” or math as a language, and practicing how to communicate their mathematical thinking using appropriate vocabulary, symbols, models, and explanations.

We are also working on:

-  Setting up and using interactive math notebooks
-  Unit 1 mathematical vocabulary
-  Khan Academy Module 1
-  Math STAR assessment
-  Explaining our mathematical reasoning
-  Practicing how to use math vocabulary when speaking and writing

VOCAB MATTERS!

Students will be expected to understand new math and science terms and use them when explaining their thinking.



Friday, August 28:

-  Science Vocabulary Quiz
-  Math Vocabulary Quiz

THINGS TO NOTE



The Khan Academy placement assessment has already been completed, and students will continue working through their assigned learning as we build our math skills.

BIBLE VERSE

He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name." Psalm 147:4 NIV

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THIS WEEK IN 5-8 LIT AND HISTORY

Literature/Reading-



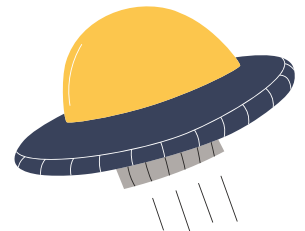
Our 5-8 Lit class will begin with a refresh with the 8 parts of speech. These are important because they act as the fundamental building blocks of language.

6-8 will also be learning and building on annotation. Learning how to take notes, asking questions and marking key points will help improve focus and comprehension while reading.



History-

5-8 is working on identifying the location of the states in the United States. We are doing this in regions to break it up to a few at a time. 5-6 will focus on the name of the state and its location and 7-8 will focus on the state location and it's capital. We will have progress assessments with each region and one final test after we complete all the regions. Please watch the students planners for dates on the progress assessments.



THINGS TO NOTE

We will be starting the AR program by the end of next week. Please encourage students to read at least 10 minutes a night.

"Entrust your works to the LORD, and your plans will succeed." Proverbs 16:3