

# **Eighth Grade Newsletter**

## Religion

#### Ms. Piovane

We being Chapter 11: "The Church in Crisis and Change" In this chapter the students will learn that the Church endured the crisis of the Black Plague, The Great Schism of the West, and setbacks in the understanding of Catholic faith.

### Art

#### Ms. Hudson

This week, Eighth Graders will be introduced to the elements of figure drawing by discussing basic sketching techniques, proportions, and using mannequins as a visual reference.

### **Civics and Economics**

#### Mrs. Whitemore

We will wrap up discussing the roles that students play in society. We will begin discussing the Legislative Branch.

### Literature

#### Mrs. Schoening

The class will review text elements using a plot diagram and study description techniques in the short stories we will read beginning with *The Monkey's Paw*. The class will review compare and contrast as a comprehension tool.

## **Grammar/Writing**

#### Mrs. Schoening

The class continues with the roots anti (against) and tri (three). We are also learning verbals. The eighth grade will practice diagramming sentences to demonstrate understanding of the different parts of speech.

### Music

#### Mrs. Smith (Mrs. Dufield-substitute)

Students will begin working on the Christmas program music.

### P.E. / Health

#### Ms. Piovane

In Health we begin our exploration First Aid and CPR. In P.E. we focus on cooperative games such as Whiffle Ball and Hockey. We also investigate strength building activities.

## **Algebra**

### Mr. Zepnikowski

In Algebra, we will write function rules and learn how to solve functions. We will extend arithmetic sequences.

### Science

#### Mrs. Rovenolt

We have started our Chemistry unit. We move from the history of the atomic model to subatomic particles. We begin exploration of atoms and elements.

## Spanish I

#### Mrs. Bonilla

We will complete chapter 2-A. Will look at the similarities and differences between Mexico and USA schools.

## STREAM:Science Technology Religion Engineering Art Math

### Mr. Baker, Mrs. Rovenolt

We begin with a crash scene investigation on Edheads. They will start with evidence collection from a fatal car crash. They must analyze the damage of the vehicles and take notes from the scene.

## Geometry

### Mr. Zepnikowski

We will continue our study of triangles. We will work on Isosceles and Equilateral triangles. We will find measures of the angles of these triangles.