



The Gurdraza Gazette

September 28th – October 2nd

<p style="text-align: center;">Teacher Notes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A special thank you to Mrs. Narot for chaperoning our field trip to Camp Algonquin! • Congratulations to Andy for being elected Student Council Representative and Sydney as the alternate. <p>Questions/Comments: Mrs. Podraza - cpodraza@lisle202.org Ms. Gurss - agurss@lisle202.org</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Important Dates</p> <p>October 9 – Early Dismissal 11:45 October 12 – No School Columbus Day October 13 – Picture Retake Day October 13 – Robert Crown Field Trip</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Mrs. Podraza – Language Arts</p> <p>The students will continue working on characterization. The students will be analyzing characters from <i>Sideways Stories From Wayside School</i> by Louis Sachar to help us with this skill. In guided reading, the students will continue reading different books from the realistic fiction genre which include: <u>Maniac Magee</u>, <u>No Talking</u>, <u>There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom</u>, and <u>Freckle Juice</u>. In Writing the students will be working on a five paragraph essay on their goals for the year.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Ms. Gurss - Language Arts</p> <p>We will continue our author study on Chris Van Allsburg. The Steck Vaughn vocabulary will be a cumulative review from the last four weeks. Please continue to study for the Caesar's English quizzes. This week, Caesar's English will be vocabulary. We also hope to be ready to present our Friday Event projects this Friday. Don't forget about Poetry Day on Thursday! Students should come prepared with their poem memorized, typed, illustrated, and with props! I can't wait to see them perform!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Mrs. Podraza – Math</p> <p>The students will be preparing for the Unit 2 test this week which is on Friday. It covers adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing decimals. It also includes standard, scientific, and exponential notation. A study guide will come home to be completed on Tuesday night. We will go over the answers and review on Thursday. They will also be working with Mrs. Hurt on the Architecture Unit.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Ms. Gurss - Math</p> <p>The students will begin Topic 2 which is all about Adding and Subtracting Whole Numbers and Decimals! <u>The test will be FRIDAY!</u> Students will also continue with the Math Practice Weekly worksheets. These are to help students keep up on basic math skill and be introduced to new concepts. These are just for practice!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Social Studies</p> <p>The students will be reading about Cortes and his effect on the Aztec people. The students will be exploring why Moctezuma was so trusting of Cortes and what they would have done in his place.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Science</p> <p>We will be completing the second lab in the Lifeboats portion of the Variables Unit. The students will be studying capacity and charting the dependent and independent variables from the lab.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Wall of Fame</p> <p><u>Miss Gurss L.A.</u>- Congrats to all students for earning A's and B's on all vocabulary and Caesar's English quizzes!</p> <p><u>Mrs. Podraza Spelling</u> - Andy, Meredith, Mary, Katie, Aryaman, Mark, Sydney, Mya,</p> <p><u>Mrs. Podraza LA</u> - Timmy, Monisha, Mary Catherine, Parker, Cory, Jorge, Christian</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Character Counts Corner</p> <p>Meredith – She cheered up another student when she was upset. (caring) Timmy – He helped another student to put his dictionary away. (citizenship) Steven-Helped take down the chairs belonging to empty desks. (responsibility) Monisha-She helps keep the classroom clean and germ free by wiping down all the computers at the end of the day! (caring)</p>

Weekly Vocabulary
eccentric unremitting hoist jubilee nudge rejuvenate scruples tranquil
There is a quiz every Friday on these words.

Miss Gurss' Language Arts Class-Caesar's English Stems/Vocabulary:

Odious, acute, serene, condescending, grotesque and all stems and words learned previously.