



The Podravik Post

January 9th – 13th

Teacher Notes

- Thank you so much to the parents who made food and helped out at Colonial Day! We truly appreciate your generosity in helping out!
- Thank you also to the parents who planned and volunteered at the winter parties!
- We hope that you had a great break!
- Please remember after school band starts this week!

Questions/Comments:

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Important Dates

- Monday, January 9th - DARE Begins
- Tuesday, January 10th - Midterms come home
- Monday, January 16th - No School
- Thursday, January 19th - Students walk to the junior high for a play
- Tuesday, January 24th - Band Concert 7:00 p.m.
- January 23rd - February 2nd - MAP Testing

Mrs. Podraza – Language Arts

The students will begin learning skills that will help them in their Career Day research papers. This week they will be learning about the project as well as how to determine important details and paraphrase. The students will begin our new genre study of Historical Fiction and the Revolutionary War. They will be reading either: My Brother Sam is Dead, The Winter of Red Snow, Sign of the Beaver or George Washington's Socks. Fluency and spelling start up again this week. This Friday is the Gauntlet for Historical Fiction.

5th AR - Friday, January 13th

6th AR - Friday, January 27th

7th AR - Friday, February 13th

8th AR - Friday, February 27th

Mrs. Podraza – Math

We will begin Unit 5 this week which covers geometry and specifically angle relationships. This week they will be learning about supplementary angle relationships and classifying angles.

Mrs. Vavrik-Language Arts

The students have started their Change Unit in the recommended basal for AT. This week we will focus on our Reflections Project. Students will begin writing a "Self Portrait" piece which will depict how they have changed from one event in their life. We will also examine various autobiographies and students will choose a choice novel written by the author they read about over Winter Break. Please continue to read those independent reading books! Students should have read at least 4 to 5 by now. They need 9 by February 27th! Happy New Year and Welcome Back!

Mrs. Vavrik - Math

The students have begun fractions which is Topic 9. Students will be working on various skills with fractions such as converting improper fractions into mixed numbers, making equivalent fractions, comparing and ordering fractions, and greatest common factor. Please continue reviewing their basic multiplication and division facts!

<p style="text-align: center;">Social Studies</p> <p>The students will begin Chapter 9 this week. They will be learning about the causes of the Revolutionary War.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Science</p> <p>We will begin our new unit on Health and Nutrition. The students will be testing food for things like fat and sugar content. They will continue to practice changing just one variable.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Wall of Fame</p> <p>Podraza (Math) A's - Elia, Trevor, Faith, Emily M., Marek, Ian, Chloe, Evan, Patrick, McKenzie</p> <p>Podraza (Spelling) 100% - Levi, Lydia, Izzy, Zach</p> <p>Podraza (Social Studies) A's - Bella, Ellen, Nick, Tarun, Emily, Joseph, Lydia, Maggie, Amelia, Trevor, Elia, Michael, Bridget, Zach, Patrick, McKenzie, Abby, Marek</p> <p>Mrs. Vavrik Math (A's)- Izzy, Max, Eva, Jahmar, Abby, Bridget, Michael, Amelia, Noah, Ellen, Julien, Suhani, Faith R, Matthew, Kira, and Hayden</p> <p>Mrs. Vavrik (Social Studies) A's- Jaleel, Angelo, Max, Alexa, Jahmar, Noah, Faith M, Emily, Nick, Jay, Ian, JJ, Choloe, Faith R, Katie, Evan</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Character Counts Corner</p> <p>Matt – He helped put away the lunch tags when it wasn't his job. (Citizenship)</p> <p>Kira – She helped out another student with a question. (Citizenship)</p> <p>Jay- He was honest to his teacher. (Trustworthiness)</p> <p>Izzy- He is kind to all students. (Fairness, Caring, Citizenship)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Weekly Vocabulary (Podraza) literate awry inept</p>	