



WEEKLY JUNIOR HIGH NEWSLETTER January 9, 2019

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Important Dates and Information

- January 14- 25 Aspire Interims Gr. 3-8
- January 15- Empower Illinois Scholarship Application opens 7:00 p.m.
- January 16 Progress Reports sent home
- January 21 No School MLK Jr. Day
- January 22 Big Shoulders Scholarship Application opens 8:00 a.m.
- January 27- February 2 Catholic Schools Week Events will be shared shortly
- January 31 Science Fair 5-7 p.m.



In sixth grade, we began working with fractions using multiplication, addition, subtraction and division. Using LCM and GCF will help us reduce fractions and find equivalent fractions,

In seventh grade, we are finishing our unit on dividing and multiplying negative and positive fractions and decimals.

In eighth grade, we are working on linear relationships. We learned the difference between proportional and non-proportional relationships. We are using data tables and graphs to help us write linear equations.

Religion & Reading

Religion- 6th-7th-8th GRADERS ALL ARE CREATING A PROLIFE POSTER & ESSAY. Focus is "What does Respect for Life mean to me?" This is not just abortion, but assisted suicide, euthanasia, & mercy killing. All grades are learning the **Proverbs**, God's wisdom for living well, from the Old Testament. We return to religion textbook 1/14/19.

Reading- 6th and 7th graders are memorizing, analyzing, and interpreting "The Jabberwocky" by Lewis Carroll 1871 They will also examine other poetry. 8th graders are learning about courts and acting out the court scene from To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee. Then on to poetry.

If you have any questions, please let me know and contact me slachowicz@pjpiischool.org We can set up a time to meet. We are having a great year!



**WE CONGRATULATE
OUR EAGLE SCOUT,
RICARDO MERCADO
IN 7TH GRADE, FOR
WINNING THE VFW
AWARD RIBBON
AND TROPHY FOR HIS
ESSAY ON "WHY I
HONOR THE
AMERICAN FLAG."
WELL DONE!**

*thank
YOU*

Thank you to all of the families
that thought of us during the
holiday season. We appreciate
all the kindness shown.
-Junior High Staff



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In Social Studies, 6th graders are beginning to learn about ancient civilizations in the Americas. 7th graders are beginning their journey in their Constitution books. The 8th graders have begun learning about economics.

In Writing, all three grades are reviewing what transition words are and how to use them in their writing. There are quite a few students who did not turn in their research papers that were due on December 18. In order for students to receive any credit for this assignment they need to hand the papers in immediately.

As always if you have any questions or concerns you may contact me at jblaszak@pjpiischool.org and we can set up a time to talk.



..Science Fair...January 31, 2019...Science Fair...

Please check in with your student to be sure they are on track with their research and project.

Tri fold display boards that are to be used can be purchased at the Dollar Store or any other convenient location. The Science Department has a limited supply from last year that can be purchased for \$3.00 on a first come basis.

Date	Assignment
December 17	two possible questions to be investigated
December 19	final question submitted
December 20	three research questions due
January 8	hypothesis, materials, variables, procedure
January 11	research paper due
Dec 21- Jan 11	students conduct experiments at home
January 14	data table due
January 15-18	analyze and interpret data
January 18	graphs and conclusion due
January 18-22	students work on boards at home
January 23-25	in-class time to work on boards
January 28	final boards due
January 31	Science Family Night in evening
January 30-31	official science fair judging during the day