

The "MSN" Middle School News

October Issue

Upcoming Events:

Middle School & High School Conferences

October 12th
3:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Early Out Released at 12 p.m.

October 14th

EA (No School)

October 15th & 16th

Health Day Rescreen

October 20th

End of 1st Quarter

November 6th

Teacher Workshop Day (No School)

November 9th

Thanksgiving Break

November 26th & 27th

6th Grade

Ms. Paczkowski:

English:

- Handwriting, Journal writing and Daily Oral Language are practiced in class once or twice per week.
- Students study spelling every week (List and assignment are given Monday; these are due Tuesday, with a test (on both the words and their roots) on Friday).
- Grammar is studied daily (worksheets are nightly assignments).
- Smaller writing assignments are assigned throughout this month.

Mrs. Falk:

Math: Students may use a half sheet of paper on any quizzes and/or tests. Please encourage your child to make a note card for quizzes and/or tests.

Music Department

The Music Department will be kicking off the **Annual Cookie Dough fundraiser** on October 13th during band/choir time.

Look for your students to bring home more information on this fundraiser.

7th & 8th Grade

Life Science:

We're going to be starting a chapter in Life Science about Genetics. There the kids will learn about dominant and recessive genes, probability of genetic events happening, and how genetics relates to DNA. The kids will then have a chapter about Human Genetics, Biotechnology and Cloning.

Language Arts:

- Students will practice vocab each day; Journal Writing and Daily Oral Language will be every other day.
Vocab tests are Fridays.
- Weekly Reading requires students to read 70 minutes every week. Parents/guardians must sign off to verify student reading. Weekly Reading is assigned for the upcoming week on Mondays; Weekly Reading for the previous week is also due on Mondays.
- New Unit (after Partner Speeches) is on the Holocaust. Students will read The Diary of Anne Frank (play version) and Elie Wiesel's memoir, Night (all of this reading is done in class).
- SSR Book Reports due October 30th
- Check the Alden-Conger website for weekly Lessons.

REMINDER: Please remember to have your child return their Handbook Acknowledgement Form & Family Information Sheets!

Please return to the Main Office as soon as possible - Thank you!!

School Website:

www.alden-conger.org