

# Sixth Grade News

September 02, 2016

## Classroom Happenings

**BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT** Thank you for a wonderful turnout at the Back-to-School Night. If you have any questions about our middle school policies, please don't hesitate to contact me or any of the middle school teachers. Sometime in early November, the 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents will need to meet for a slideshow/information session in preparation for our Outdoor School trip in December. I will keep you posted of the date and time.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS** 6<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join the middle school sports program this fall season with girls' volleyball and boys' soccer teams. We are looking for coaches for girls volleyball and boys soccer. We would like to begin practices the week of the 12th. Please let Mrs. Simolon know if you are interested in coaching out middle schoolers.

**SOCIAL STUDIES** We are exploring ways that archaeologists and historians interpret artifacts and fossils to help better understand ancient civilizations. We are also discussing the seven features of a civilization.

**SCIENCE** We are currently reviewing the layers of the earth and heat transfer. In the next section, we will learn more about our active planet with ideas of continental drift and sea-floor spreading.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT** I encourage students to take advantage early in the trimester to volunteer at either of the two fantastic community service projects happening this month, the Coastal Cleanup and the United Way's Day of Caring on Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. Students can download the service form from our class website. Following are the links: <http://www.unitedwaysb.org/day-caring-2016>  
<http://www.coastal.ca.gov/publiced/ccd/cleanup/ - /map>

**AREAS OF GROWTH** Students have had some difficulty raising their hands in class often shouting out answers before being called on. Also, there should be one speaker at a time and all other students need to listen attentively and not talk over each other.

**SUCCESSSES** The 6<sup>th</sup> graders have been responsible with their homework and organized by making sure they are packing the correct books and materials for the different classes throughout the day.

### The Week Ahead (09/05– 09/09)

<b>09/05 – Monday</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL – LABOR DAY HOLIDAY</b>
<b>09/06 – Tuesday</b>	Spanish/Electives
<b>09/07 – Wednesday</b>	12:20 Dismissal – Teacher Curriculum Planning Mtg.
<b>09/08 – Thursday</b>	PE/Electives
<b>09/09 – Friday</b>	Spanish

**DATES TO REMEMBER:** September 16 - Back to School BBQ  
September 23 - Picture Day