



### Upcoming Events

December 19th-5:30pm Band/Chorus 6:00pm Christmas Pageant

December 21st-8th Grade Christmas Party

December 21-22-Cafeteria Closed

December 22nd- Half Day

Christmas Break-December 23-January 1st.

Have a safe and Happy Break!

Merry Christmas!



## SJS Middle School Expectations

- Lead by example.
- Be respectful.
- Be prepared.
- Follow the dress code.
- No Cell Phones.

## SJS Middle School Newsletter

December 18, 2017

# Ms. Montigny

#### 6th Grade Literature/Language Arts

In 6th Grade Literature we have started reading Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell. The students seem to be excited to see what will happen as the story continues. We had our first quiz on the book last week. We will continue to have quizzes after the completion of 2 chapters. Students should be correcting their quizzes prior to taking the next quiz. Their next book report will be going home by the end of this week.

Students took their Vocabulary test on Units 7-9 today. We will start Unit 8 tomorrow.

In Grammar we will be beginning Unit 4 this week. Unit 4 covers sentence modifiers. Grammar homework will be nightly this week beginning on Tuesday.

Students have 40 minutes of Moby Max due for the week.

### 8th Grade Literature and Language Arts

In Literature we have delved into our study of *Romeo and Juliet*. Students should be reading every night at home and picking out the important aspects of each scene. Additionally, students should be working on their Shakespeare Project for the upcoming Academic Fair. These are due by January 25th. We have also started Modern Day Shakespeare group projects which students will work on during class time daily. For these projects each group is taking traditional Shakespeare and giving it a modern twist. I am looking forward to seeing their final projects!

In Grammar we will be starting a review of Verbs. I will be moving through this quickly as this is a review unit. Expect homework nightly starting Tuesday.

Students took their Vocabulary Test on Units 7-9 today. Grades will be sent home over the next few days.

50 Minutes of Moby Max is due this week.

8th Grade News: Our next parent's meeting is this Wednesday directly after carline. I have included a few pictures from our recent book buddy visit with the 3rd grade class. 7th Grade Literature and Language Arts

Seventh graders will be starting *The Miracle Worker* this week. We will be doing a mixture of reading in class as well as reading at home. The book report project description will be going home with students on Tuesday. Projects will be due on February 5th.

Students took their Vocabulary test on Units 7-9 today. Grades will go home in the next few days. We will be taking a break from our Vocabulary workbooks this week, so that I can go over the Drama vocabulary students will need to understand for their reading of *The Miracle Worker*.

In Grammar we will be working on Unit 3 which covers Verbs. The majority of this unit is a review of concepts learned last year, so I plan to move quickly through this unit.

Students have 50 minutes of Moby Max Language Arts this week.

> MISSION STATEMENT: St. James Catholic School is dedicated to providing a faith, safe and caring environment. We provide a challenging academic program of a strong moral foundation that incorporates relevant skills with Gospel values. We encourage our students to become life-long learners to serve God and others.