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Newsletter

March 2024
Jasper Middle School
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School-Wide News

Chromebooks

Students should charge their Chromebooks each night, so they are prepared for school the next day.

Dates to Remember:

March 1: JMS Field Trip Final Payment Due

March 12: Digital Learning Day

March 15: JMS Progress Reports

April 1-5: JMS Spring Break - NO SCHOOL

April 9: JMS Parent Academy

Academic Updates

ELA - Sixth-grade students are finishing the Argumentative Unit for Language Arts. In this unit, we will read and analyze informational texts with a focus on tracing and writing claims, supporting claims, and analyzing and writing counterclaims. Next we will review constructed responses, writing narratives, writing informational essays, and argumentative essays. Students are reading classroom novels like: Touching Spirit Bear.

Students are responsible for ELA morning work. Many students complete this work during homeroom, but if students are unable, they should complete it at home. Our morning work typically consists of a short passage and a few questions. Students also are reading a book of their choice. Please remember all students should aim to read for 20 minutes each weeknight.

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Math - Complete each day's Weekly Review questions. The Weekly Review questions will be checked and discussed daily. **There will be a Weekly Review quiz each week.**

Georgia's definition of personalized learning

Personalized Learning: An instructional approach that uses student voice to enact an individual path and pace through a collection of competencies.

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We focus on the individual pace. This allows students to spend time where it is needed rather than on skills they have previously mastered. Students' progress will be checked through a series of pre & post-assessments and Checks for Understanding (CFUs) along the way. This does not in any way replace whole-group instruction. This allows us as teachers to focus on the student's individual needs.

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Finding Programs:

At JMS, our students use many great online programs to enhance and reinforce their learning experience (Reading Plus, Newsela, CommonLit, IXL, Canvas, etc.). All of these programs are accessible through Clever. When students log in on their school Chromebooks, the program automatically directs them to Clever. Once they are logged in, they can access all programs without the use of an additional login.

Social Studies -

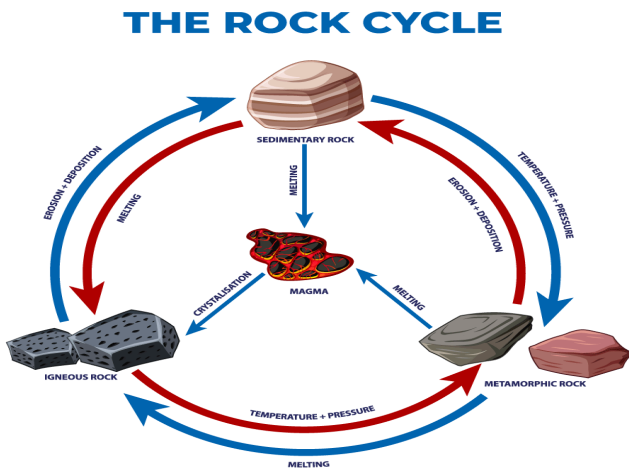
Geography of Canada - Students will be learning about physical and political features of Canada:

Science

Soil Formation - Students will be studying the composition of soil.

Minerals - The structure of minerals and their physical properties will be covered.

The Rock Cycle - Our classes will study the series of processes and classes of rocks that make up the rock cycle.



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Infinite Campus:

How to check student grades:

<https://campus.pickens.k12.ga.us/campus/portal/pickens.jsp>

If you need assistance, please email:

parentportal@pickenscountyschools.org

SS6G4 Locate selected features of Canada.

a. Locate on a world and regional political-physical map: the St. Lawrence River, Hudson Bay, Atlantic Ocean, Pacific Ocean, the Great Lakes, Canadian Shield, and Rocky Mountains.

b. Locate on a world and regional political-physical map Canada and the province of Quebec.

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Yearbook!

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Make sure to buy your JMS Yearbook.

1. Go to Jostens.com
2. Go to Find My School
3. Type in Jasper Middle School
4. Click on Jasper Middle School (Jasper, GA)

6th Grade Field Trip

When: Wednesday, April 24, 2024 - Leave at 6:00 a.m. and return to JMS at 6:30 p.m.

Where: Chattanooga, TN - Rock City, Cruise, IMAX, Aquarium

Cost: 3rd Payment of \$30 due Friday, February 2, 2024
4th Payment of \$30 due Friday, March 1, 2024