

Grade 8 News and Notes

January, 2012

Work in Progress

Religion: establishment of monasteries; contributions of Charlemagne; Holy Land and the Crusades; reforms of Pope Gregory VII; the Inquisition

Literature: read long stories; identify character traits, draw conclusions, analyze visuals, infer, identify purpose, foreshadowing

Algebra: evaluate algebraic expressions; one-step addition and subtraction equations; one step multiplication and division equations

Social Studies 6: (Ancient Civilizations) study the geography of South Asia; development of Indian civilization; beliefs of Hinduism and Buddhism

Social Studies 7: (Age of Exploration-Age of Reform) on the road to independence; taxation without representation; hostilities between Patriots and British

Social Studies 8: (Civil War to Present) discovery of gold; expansion of railroad; the cattle kingdom; Native American struggles; plight of farmers in 1850s

In Recent Past....

Currently on display in the hallway:

Grade 7 Parallel Time lines

Grade 8 Religion Project: Mosaic Cross on Shield

HCA Campus Ministry (Grades 6-8) Service projects have included peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for the Homeless Shelter, fleece blankets donated to Sisters of Life in Manhattan, and Christmas gift bags for children in hospitals.

Need to Know

Important Dates

Jan. 6 Graduation Fee Due

Jan. 13 Scholastic Book Orders Due

Jan. 17 Teaching Touching Safety Program

Jan. 19 High School Notifications mailed to students

Jan. 24 Cap and Gown Photo

First Trimester Second Honors

Joseph Ferrara

Maria Sciancalepore

In the Near Future....

Grade 6 will continue to use macbooks on a weekly basis to study the countries and geography of Asia using the website: www.sheppardsoftware.com/asian_geography.htm

Grade 8 will be writing research reports, gathering info from multiple sources. A bibliography will be required.

The theme of an upcoming meeting of the HCA Campus Ministry's is "Stump the Priest! Ask Questions About Faith and the Church". Fr. Bob will be facilitating the meeting.