Curriculum Night Information

6th Grade Social Studies (2020/2021)

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- Our primary focus is the Eastern Hemisphere (Asia, Europe, Africa)
- We will be moving through history along a timeline. We start as early as 10,000
 B.C.E., and will go up until about C.E. 1700. We do incorporate some current events as well.
- Topics include, but are not limited to…
 - -Early Humans, Mesopotamia, Ancient Egypt, Ancient China, African
 Civilizations, Ancient Greece, Roman Civilization, Early Japan, Medieval Europe
- We really focus on why people settled where they did, and how civilizations developed. We will make a lot of connections between our world and the ancient world.
- Do you have knowledge to share? Don't be shy! We'd love to hear from you.

Example standards we address...

- Explain how humans and their environment affect one another.
- Explain how environmental characteristics impact human migration and settlement.
- Analyze the combinations of cultural and environmental characteristics that make places both similar to and different from other places.
- Explain the benefits and the costs of trade policies to individuals, businesses, and society.
- Explain multiple causes and effects of events and developments in the past.

How can you help?

- Allow access to online materials when possible (Canvas/Online textbook)
- Educate them about your own family history
- Visit historic sites and museums when possible (Lots of virtual options)
- Read, Read! (Incorporate lots of non-fiction)
- Encourage curiosity

What else to know

Steps for accessing the online textbook can be found <u>here</u>

Make sure your child knows...

...their PowerSchool username and password. This is where they will go to access our SS book, and check their grades, among other things.

...how to access Canvas for their classes. This will be where most of their assignments are posted.

...to email their teacher when they have any issues accessing assignments on Canvas, online text materials, or need any other assistance. We are here to help!