

# Sixth Grade Information

Welcome back! This year I will have your child for reading, vocabulary, and science classes. I will be coming to your child's class twice a day to teach those subjects.

**Reading** We will be using the *Journeys* reading series again this year. Each story we read will take 1 ½ - 2 weeks to complete. Students will be tested on the story vocabulary, reading skill, and comprehension questions from the story. Tests are formatted the same way as last year's tests. I encourage students to use the online reading book at home to read and listen to the

story nightly. I will go over how students access the online materials in class.

**Vocabulary** Students will again use *Vocabulary Workshop* books to broaden their vocabulary. We spend a lot of time going over the vocabulary words and meanings. I recommend the students make flashcards to help them study. I will post the *Vocabulary Workshop* website on Google Classroom, this website does have printable flashcards and some games that the students can play. Vocabulary workbook pages are graded. Tests will be about every two weeks.

**Science** We will be covering composition of matter, physical and chemical changes, energy, and light. This year students will also have the use of an

online program called STEMscopes. As we start off the school year more information will be sent home regarding this awesome program.

**Tests** As we start off the school year students will be taking tests on paper. Eventually I would like to move to digital tests. I will tell the students ahead of time if they will be taking a test on paper or digitally.

Tests are not sent home. Grades will be posted to Option C once I have reviewed the tests. If you would like to see a specific test please email me and I will send it home. Tests are due back the following day.

**Grading** Grades are weighted as follows: Tests 70% Classwork 15% Homework 15%

Please feel free to contact me by email at any time. I am looking forward to a great year!

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