

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Week of January 2-6, 2012

Social Studies with Mrs. Salcido

New Year's greetings - hope your holidays were fun, happy, and restful.

We are beginning a new unit today on Southwest Asia. There is a lot of history from this region and there is a lot going on in this region today. Please have your child listen to the news on TV or read articles in the newspaper about this area of our world. We'll be discussing past and present day issues.

We will begin with vocabulary from Ch. 11. Students had some time in class today to work on the 27 words in this chapter. Those will be due on Friday. **Next week on Tuesday we will have a vocabulary quiz over lessons 1 & 2 (the first 17 words). Start studying this week...a few each night.**

We'll be looking at geographic features, water sources, reasons for population patterns in this part of the world, and reading about the development of the communities, city-states and empires. In section two, we'll look at innovations from these cultures of people and study about the three religions that developed in this area - Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Students will have some worksheets and a map during this unit of study.

Math with Mrs. Cooper

Welcome back. Hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas break! We have so much to accomplish this spring semester...hope everyone is as excited as I am to be back ☺

Today, along with getting lots of papers back and trying to get organized again, we completed a Review of Division of Fractions; and Reviewed Common Denominators Parts 1 and 2.

For the remainder of the week we will do:

Wednesday: Lesson 57: Adding and Subtracting Fractions using Three Steps.

Thursday: Lesson 58: Probability and Chance Friday: Lesson 59: Adding Mixed Numbers

Reading/Language Arts: Mrs. Treece

Reading: I hope everyone had a great Christmas break! We will begin a new unit in Reading this week. Students will have a quiz on Friday over myths, legends, and tales. We will not have vocabulary words this week.

Grammar/Writing: We will learn the definition of a verb and the three types of verbs in English. We will also begin writing an expository essay.

Science with Mrs. Miller

We will begin our unit on Rocks. Students will define vocabulary words for homework Tuesday night.

Students should also study notes in their ISJ and the vocabulary definitions throughout the week. You never know when there may be a QUIZ!?!



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2012 GAUSE BEARS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME(s)
Jan. 9	Brazos Christian	@Brazos Christian	5:30, 6:30, 7:30
Jan. 13-14	Gause Girls Tournament	Gause	TBA
Jan. 16	Buckholts	Gause	5:00; 6:00
Jan. 19	Dew	@Dew	5:00; 6:00
Jan 23	St. Joseph	@St. Joseph	4:30;5:30;6:30; 7:30
Jan. 27-28	Gause Boys Tournament	Gause	TBA
Jan. 30	Westphalia	Gause	4:30;5:30;6:30; 7:30

Computer with Mrs. Taylor



Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome back and Happy New Year! Can you believe the second semester has already begun. Today marks the beginning of the 4th six weeks grading period.



Info for the week includes:

- Report cards will be sent home this Friday. Please sign and return those as soon as possible.
- Also, please know that the 3rd six weeks grades are what determines sports eligibility or ineligibility according to UIL rules. Take a very close look at your child's report card for the 3rd six weeks grade as well as reviewing the semester exam grade and the Semester 1 average.
- College Day is Wednesday January 4th. Wear your favorite college apparel. The class with the highest percentage of participation gets ice cream at lunch!

Please feel free to call the school and schedule a conference with your child's teacher(s) if you have any questions or concerns.

Don't forget to check the Gause website for more of the latest news and updates from our school, and check the Parent Portal for information about your child's grades and attendance.

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