



Spring has sprung! 6th grade has returned from Easter Recess with the mindset to finish the year strong.

In ELA, we are taking some time to study figurative language. We will be reviewing metaphors and similes, and learning new devices such as alliteration and hyperbole. Students will be analyzing poetry for the purpose of figurative language, and will be incorporating it into their own writing! By the end of April, we will begin a new novel "Mrs. Frisbee and the Rats of Nimh," as we focus on various informational articles and literary short stories to determine if humans should or should not intervene in the lives of animals. This will culminate in an argumentative essay.

In Math, students are applying their knowledge of ratios to rates and unit rates. We will be exploring equivalent rates and using real-world scenarios to compare rates. Students will also be learning conversions, and practicing converting between metric units of length, capacity and mass.

In Science, we are continuing our study of weather in the atmosphere. Students are working up to a research project on an extreme weather form that will include descriptions of its causes and ways to stay safe during the event. Next, we will move to the geosphere to examine tectonic plates and the movement of Earth's crust, as well as a closer look at the rock cycle and types of minerals.

In Social Studies, students are finishing up their unit on Ancient China. This concludes our study of the ancient world, and students will look for the similarities and differences between the characteristics for each of the river valley civilizations. We will then begin our study of Classical Civilizations, starting with Greece.

In Religion, we are examining the journey of God's chosen people as Solomon's kingdom was split in two. Students will learn about influential prophets such as Elijah and Amos, and how we can keep our faith in today's world and help others to live the way God intended.