

Pinewood Middle School

TEAM 6A NEWSLETTER

WEEK OF APRIL 27 - MAY 1, 2020

PLEASE READ THIS NEWSLETTER TO FIND INFORMATION ABOUT
THIS WEEK'S REMOTE LEARNING FOR ALL YOUR TEACHERS!



“LEARN AT HOME” - KENTWOOD’S CENTRAL LOCATION FOR ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL REMOTE LEARNING

<http://kpslearnathome.weebly.com/>

Please be sure to start your learning by going to Kentwood’s “Learn at Home” site. It contains each week’s lessons and learning opportunities for every class.

Everyone should begin by going to this site:

<http://kpslearnathome.weebly.com/> and clicking on “6th Grade.” From there, students can work on each subject’s/content’s lessons and assignments by scrolling down to find the subject/content they want to focus on and then the week it currently is. So, for this week, focus on work for “Week 2.”

In the rest of this newsletter, you will find information from your individual teachers that you need to know for this week’s learning opportunities. Please read through the entire newsletter and contact your homeroom teacher or a specific content area teacher with any questions.

ELA-

This week, you have three different types of activities to complete. For IXL, make sure you are setting a timer and working on IXL for at least 15 minutes. If there are two activities for the day, work on one lesson for 15 minutes, stop, and then work on the second lesson for 15 minutes. I will be able to see your progress from my own account. If you are proud of your score and want to celebrate with me, send me an email and I'll send you a response.

For the NewsELA article, you can turn in your answers to the multiple choice questions by completing the Google Form containing the same questions found on the article. Once you hit submit on the form, I will see your score. The Google Form will be in my Google Classroom.

For the Kindness Activities, you do not need to turn anything in to me. You will experience the positive results of these activities for yourself.

When you have finished all activities/tasks for the week, click the "Mark as Done" button in Google Classroom.

There is a daily breakdown in the ELA Outline on the "Learn at Home" site to help you manage your time each day. Go to <http://kpslearnathome.weebly.com/> I will have all of the links to assignments on Google Classroom and the Google Form to complete for this week for the NewsELA article. I will not break assignments down by day this week since it is broken down on the "Learn at Home" site.

Miss you all! Keep up the hard work! I am proud of you for being teachable, empowered, accepting, and motivated!

MATH- There is no math worksheet to turn in! Go to the math page, look at math examples, watch the videos, look at practice problems and when you have a good grasp of the topic attempt the worksheet. You will show your level of understanding by clicking on the "check in" button and practicing the IXL objectives listed each week. I will be able to see your progress or questions you may need answered. That is how you "turn in" an assignment so that I can count your at home learning. Feel free to contact me, I miss you all.

SCIENCE: On the science page, there are four boxes. You pick at least one box to complete. If you feel good about the topic, you may move on to the listed IXL assignment. If you need extra background, do additional activities. **Pay attention to what grade level is mentioned for IXL...it won't always be 6th grade!** IXL is due by Friday, please. That is the assignment that you are "turning in" to me. Let me know how you are progressing - I'd love to hear from you!!

Special directions for this week:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Watch Bill Nye video• Do quizlet - it really helps to do the LEARN activities before the games!	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Directions for BRAINPOP sign up are listed• Do quizlet - again, it really helps to do the LEARN activities first!
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Experience the interactive parts and the practice quiz	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Read SECTION 2 ONLY!! Do as many of the questions as you feel you need to just check for your understanding.

SOCIAL STUDIES

I am so excited for week two you are going to travel to Cuba, a country in Central America. Cuba will be vastly different than Mexico however, look for a few similarities too. Same as last week please read the passages in tasks 1-4 first to learn about the country and then complete **one** of the two options for task 5.

Please Note a Change: Going forward the SS material will be in a PDF so you will not be able to make an editable version to work in. I apologize for this change, as I know it is more convenient as a Google Doc. I suggest creating a Cuba doc. to work in as you complete the tasks.

Submitting Task 5: Some of you have been asking me how I want you to submit your post or quiz. **I don't have a preference, so do what is easiest for you. You can...share a Google doc with me, take a picture of your work and attach it to an email, email me your answers or text a picture to me @ (616) 732-9052.** I do not need to see the questions throughout the readings. They are designed for you to answer as you read to help with understanding.

IXL is available for extra practice if you have time. Please do not hesitate to ask questions if you are struggling. ♥ Mrs. Heintzkill

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

PE Schedule: You **do not** have to do the materials in any particular order, or on the specific day it is listed (*ex: videos-Mon/Wed, worksheets-Tues/Thurs*). I am flexible. It is set up to do one item a day during the week, but if you do two things in one day or something on the weekend instead that works too. I am marking everything you submit so it doesn't matter to me how you complete the work. **Just please email me and let me know what you have completed so I can mark it down** (*You can email me everyday when you complete something or at the end of the week when you are completely finished and just list all the information you did*).

Heart Rate: Please take your heart rate after each assignment and include that number in your email to me. ***Some of you are doing it wrong and so please read this highlighted yellow part just to refresh your memory.***

When you are taking your heart rate, ONLY take your heart rate for 15 seconds, and then multiply the number of heart beats you feel by 4 to get your final answer.

Example: In 15 seconds, I felt 30 beats. $30 \times 4 = 120$ beats per minute (BPM)

Submitting Worksheets: Some of you have been asking me how I want you to submit your worksheets. **I don't have a preference so do what is easiest for you. You can...Share them with me, take a picture of your work and attach it to an email, email me your answers.** Also, if it asks for a parent signature, I DON'T NEED THAT. Just ignore please.

Team Announcements

As we celebrate the completion of week one we know that the thoughts of weeks to come can be daunting. This is a new way of learning for us all. We ask that you do what you can and contact us if you are feeling overwhelmed, you feel you need more support, or have any other needs. We are here to help.

We hope this new format of a weekly newsletter will help keep you organized with directions from all your teachers all in one spot.

Here's a quick video about finding joy. This was sent to my daughter from her school and we enjoyed it so much that I wanted to share it with you. The video reminds us to find Joy in each day. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZQGuVKHtrxc>

