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The Gold Team Newsletter

Welcome to the Second Marking Period!

The **Gold** Team would like to say congratulations to all of our students that made the Honor Roll and Principal's List this marking period. What a wonderful achievement!

We would also like to recognize our students of the month. These students were nominated, and won, for their perseverance, positive displays of character, and overall academic hard work throughout the 1st marking period. Congratulations **Gold** Team Students of the Month, you deserved it!

Furthermore, we would like to recognize the many students chosen to receive awards for Academic Excellence and Diligent Work during the 1st marking period. The students were picked because of their grades, hard-work, participation, and determination to prove what it takes

to become an outstanding student in their classes so far.

Please remember that winter holidays are quickly approaching. Winter Break begins on December 19th, with a half day. We come back to school on Monday, January 5th, after a well-rested vacation!

Finally, after we return from Winter Recess, students will begin to review for their Mid-term exams. These exams will begin on Tuesday, January 27th and end on Friday, January 30th, which is also the last day of the 2nd marking period. All four days are half days, so students should be expected home by 1:00pm.

Please remember to feel free to contact any of us through voicemail or e-mail. We are looking forward to another successful marking period and we hope you have very happy holidays this season!

Sincerely,
The Gold Team

Contacting the Gold Team

The most efficient way of contacting a teacher when you have a question or concern is to call that teacher's voicemail extension and leave a message, or e-mail them. We have provided the main school phone number and our voicemail extensions below along with our e-mail addresses. Please feel free to contact us at any time.

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World Studies

Ancient Greece will be our focus for the second marking period. Students will be studying the powerful Ancient Greek city-states of Athens and Sparta; as well as learning about the Ancient Greek philosophers, playwrights, mathematicians, and scientists. Democracy will be our next focus as students compare the democratic government established in Athens over 2500 years ago to that of our democratic government. Finally, the project for Greece will allow students the opportunity to not only learn about an important ancient Greek person, but to become that person for the day. Look for the project sheets to come home in early December.

Mrs. Schaffer

Math 7/Pre-Algebra

Wow! One marking period down and only three more to go. During the second marking period, students will be working on fractions, the coordinate plane, integers, and solving simple equations. Please remember to come to class prepared with a notebook, calculator, and pencils. Don't forget that at the end of the second marking period are mid-term exams. Study guides will be given out and students are expected to complete them and go over them in class. Good luck!

Mrs. DeSimone

English 7

The second marking period will continue with students focusing on grammar and writing. We will be wrapping up their fiction novel from the first marking period while working different genres of writing. Students will complete the second marking period preparing for the midterm exam. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me through voicemail or e-mail.

Mrs. Wyckoff

Marking Period Highlight's

11-20: Great American Smoke-Out
11-26: ½ Day for Students
11-27 to 11-28: Thanksgiving Recess—School Closed
12-12: JHS Dance 6:30-8:30
12-18: BOE Meeting 7:00pm at JHS
12-19: ½ Day for Students
12-22 to 1-2: Winter Recess—School Closed
1-5: Return from Winter Recess
1-9: JHS Dance 6:30-8:30
1-19: MLK JR Day—School Closed
1-22: BOE Meeting 7:00pm at JHS
1-27 to 1-30: Mid-Term Exams

Life Science

The second marking period in Life Science was kicked off with a chapter on scientific inquiry and lab safety. Students learned how to set up a controlled experiment and put that knowledge to work in their first lab investigation of the year. The marking period will continue with discussions regarding the characteristics of life and the needs of living things. A large part of the marking period will be devoted to the structure of plant and animal cells, which will allow students to use compound microscopes. Keep an eye out for the cell project! Thanks to all of the families who've been animal sitters already! We'll need more volunteers throughout the year!

Mrs. DiFrancia

In-Class Support/Learning Strategies

As the 2nd marking period moves along, we will continue to reinforce what we learn in our mainstream classes. We will also be preparing for another wonderful class holiday luncheon. As the 2nd marking period winds down, we will prepare to take our midterms. Good luck this marking period!

Ms. Suralik

Homework Pass

1. Print and cut this ticket out and present it to any of your five Gold Team teachers to receive a free homework excuse from any homework assignment!
2. You must have your parent/guardian sign this ticket on the line provided for them.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE X _____