



WESLEY INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY

Newsletter—Middle Years Programme - Year 2

MYP YEAR 2 THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION

We encourage everyone to attend and enjoy our Thanksgiving celebration with your child and teachers. This is such a special day for Wesley Academy as we are very thankful that you all, students, parents, and teachers, are a part of our family. Below is a link for the signup genius to select an item to share. If you are unable to bring an item, feel free to send a \$5 contribution for our day of celebration.

Please be aware that some students suffer from nut allergies. Please refrain from using nuts in any food dishes

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0E4CAEA922ABF85-thanksgiving

Upcoming Field Trips:

Fernbank Museum - Friday, Dec. 5th - Cost: \$16 - Bag lunch required

Georgia Aquarium - Wednesday, Dec. 17th - Cost: \$10 - Bag lunch optional, food court is available.

* Be sure to get your permission slips in right away.

Class Dojo - The 7th grade team is now using Class Dojo, a platform that allows teachers to reinforce good behavior and instantly communicate with parents. Please download the free app and check out the website from time to time. Student/Parent login information was sent home with your child. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Individuals and Societies

We have now fully shifted from Southwest Asia to Southeast Asia. Although the curriculum has the entire unit together, I feel it is more important to separate South Asia (India/Pakistan) from the rest of Southeast Asia (China/Japan) as the cultures, religions, and traditions are so vastly different. We have begun on South Asia and will explore all that this wonderful region has to offer.

Mathematics

This week in Advanced Math, we will be finishing up our unit on probability. This is our last 7th Grade unit! Next week, we will begin our first 8th grade unit- Transformations, Congruence, and Similarity. Students will be given new workbooks that cover the 8th Grade CCGPS. However, do not throw away your 7th Grade workbook! We will return to these before the Georgia Milestones to be used as a review. In 7th Grade Math, we started to learn about proportions. We began by looking at simple proportion word problems that allowed us to apply what we know in order to solve them. Next week, we will deepen our understanding of proportions as we apply proportions to complex problems such as percent increase and decrease, simple interest, and markups and markdowns. Going forward, we will begin to understand how certain jobs rely on commission and how that is calculated using proportional reasoning.

Language and Literature

In Language and Literature, we are reading *The Book Thief*, which is the story of a courageous family harboring a Jewish man in Nazi Germany. The students had their first quiz last week, and they are expected to be reading at home as well as in class. They should have their books with them every day and it should also be going home! We are working through the book using literature circles, class discussions, and more. In addition, we are continuing our writing and grammar skills, working on comma usage and new vocabulary.

Life Science

Reminders & Updates

We have now completed three units of study in science class. We ended the last unit (Human Body) with a trip to the Bodies Exhibit and we are now beginning a new unit titled Introduction To DNA. We will answer question such as what is DNA and why it is so important to all living organisms. Please remember to check my website for notes, updates, and announcements. www.ms.rayscience.weebly.com