

# FAIRVIEW IB PREP

Magnet News  
Letter

Month of  
September

## TEACHER SPOTLIGHT 6TH GRADE

Mrs. Cameron: This semester we are welcoming Ms. Ashley Jackson from FSU-Teach as an intern teacher in Mrs. Cameron's classroom. She is working towards her double degree in Secondary Science Education and Environmental Science. We are pleased to have such a knowledgeable aspiring future educator to help with lesson plans and instruction.

## FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- 9/5 No School Labor Day
- 9/8 Open House from 6-7:30
- 9/14 Progress Reports
- 9/26 No school Fall Holiday

IB fall Field trip to St. Augustine and Jacksonville Zoo happening November 10th more information coming soon!

Year books are on SALE! You can go to [yearbookforever.com](http://yearbookforever.com) to purchase yours. They are \$35 until December. You may also purchase and create your own ads - Recognize your student with an ad in the yearbook!

## 6TH GRADE

Mr. Johnson - World history - We have had a great start to the year so far. We have wrapped up our unit on geography, historians, citizenship and Florida history. Now we are ready to start the real world history and it begins with Early Humans. All chapters will have a test, but you can expect an essay on the Agricultural Revolution in the next week or two. All of the students are great and we are having some really great discussions on these topics. Next we will be off to Mesopotamia! History Fair will be sent out at the end of September and all sixth grade students are required to make an exhibit. Great start Falcons!

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Mrs. Cameron - Science - We have been busy doing activities and lessons on the Nature of Science. We finish up the topic this week with a culminating quiz. Our next topic involves looking up towards space. We will begin our unit on the Sun-Earth-Moon System with a focus on Earth's Seasons. Our 6th graders will be practicing their observational study skills by observing the moon nightly to monitor changes in appearance and position. Also, a field trip to the Challenger Center is coming in November. Look out for information in the next few weeks for the date and details of the field trip.

Math - We have begun following the new B.E.S.T. curriculum. We've completed Rational numbers, are wrapping up Decimals and hit Fractions the first part of September. Second half of the quarter we will be working on Operations of Integers which will take us to the second 9 weeks. You will begin to see 7th grade content mixed in with 6th grade content in preparation for next years advanced classes.

Ms. Kirkendoll - Language Arts - We are learning Literary Terms. The students have been studying by creating quizlets, playing group games, and using flashcards. We are almost done with the diagnostic tests, and we have started reading the first story in the digital textbook. Our textbook is new this year so learning has taken place in many different ways. We hope to start our first novel before the end of the nine weeks.

Parents we want to hear from you! Please complete this short survey on your IB experience

<https://forms.office.com/r/07qS7CucZj>

## 7TH GRADE

Mr. Fletcher - Physical Science - Students will be learning how to calculate speed, velocity, acceleration, and momentum. Students should expect a chapter test on this material in mid-September. Students will also get to begin their Laws of Motion projects later in the month. Science Fair information was distributed - First deadline is Monday September 12th. Final project due 12/5/22.

Ms. Thompson- Civics - We are finishing up our unit on voting and elections, we will be moving on to the foundations of Government next. They have a test 9/12. History Fair information went home this week first due date is 9/13 (their preliminary topic and parent contract.) Be on the look out for information on Community Service, 7th grade is required to complete 12 hours.

Ms. Camen - Language Arts - Last Friday, we wrote creative short stories. Ask your student to share yours with you. They were very excited and produced really great work!

## UP COMING CLUBS

- Science Olympiad had their first interest meeting on 8/31 - please contact Dr. Morris or Mrs. Cameron for more information
- Math Club first interest meeting for 6th graders will be on September 6th from 4:00 - 5:00 pm and afterwards, will meet every Tuesday from 4:00 -5:30 pm. Math Club first interest meeting for 7th and 8th graders will be on September 8th from 4:00 - 5:00 pm and afterwards, will meet every Thursday from 4:00 -5:30 pm.

## 8TH GRADE

Mr. Johnson - US History - I am so pleased that I get to teach this group of students again. In sixth grade we learned a lot, had fun, and it is time to do it again. Our classroom beats the old cafeteria for sure. We have had a lot of interesting discussions on Spanish and Portuguese exploration. Everybody learned something new I would say. Currently we are studying the Jamestown and Plymouth colonies and their two different reasons for coming to North America. Both groups struggled immensely but life is about perseverance. Once we finish this, we will move on to study all thirteen colonies in more depth. History Fair information will be sent out towards the end of September.

Ms. Adams -Language Arts- We will be studying a unit that focuses on mystery and suspense within fiction texts. We will focus on the impact of foreshadowing, tone, word connotations. I encourage you to test them on finding these elements within movies and tv shows you may be watching at home.

Dr. Kurian - Math- I expect active participation from my students and high school level work. I use plan book to share weekly lesson plan, and canvas to share important updates, online resources and assignments with students and parents. In Algebra 1, this month, we are working on solving equations, inequalities and functions. In Geometry, this month, we are working on Tools of Geometry, Proofs, Parallel lines, Perpendicular lines and congruence. Students should bring their spiral notebook, binder, calculator TI-30 Xa, and supplies daily to the class. Geometry students should bring compass, protractor and ruler daily to class

## MATH COMPETITION

We had an amazing year for math competitions last year, winning competitions and becoming ciphering champions in state. In the math competition class, we are learning problem solving skills and new skills in Geometry and Algebra 1 using the Art of Problem Solving Curriculum. For the 6th grade math competition class, we are working on problem solving skills in Pre-Algebra and Mathcounts