

Sixth Grade

Important Dates

5/1-5/15: CAASPP TESTING

5/31: Open House

6/1: 2:00 PM Middle School Music Extravaganza

6/8: Crossing the Bridge

Willow Creek Community

Happy Spring!

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Successful Support

CAASPP state testing is going to start next week. Please ensure that students get a full 8 hours of sleep, and have a healthy breakfast to start their day! We appreciate all that you parents do on your end to prepare your students for their day at school. :)

Standardized tests such as the CAASPP will play a large role in your child's future education and employability. Even if you do not see value in the CAASPP itself, the skill of test taking is something they will need in their future, whether it be the SAT or simply an online application for summer employment. These tests have become a filter and knowing how to take them is necessary in the 21st century. We spent some time this week on the importance of simply following directions in order to do our best.

We plan to make this state mandated testing experience as anxiety free and comfortable as possible.

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Curriculum Corner

Humanities

Hello Families!

We explored the geography of ancient Greece in depth. The challenging geography caused Greeks to wage war on Greeks and set sail to build far flung colonies in order to support the growing population.

We are watching The Odyssey and exploring some of the literary themes in Homer's epic poem. We will be reading related Greek myths and exploring how they were tied to daily life.

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<http://www.youthpostercontest.org/index.html>

Ms. Rizzo

Math/Science

Hi Families!

How is it already May??

This week has flown by. We've been working really hard on math concepts and getting ready for the CAASPP test starting next week, ensuring that students feel prepared to be able to give their best.

We've explored rates (distance/time), volume, and surface area. We also spent time looking at restaurant menus, and calculating tax and tips of a meal. The next time you're out at a restaurant with your student, give them the check so that they can calculate the tip!

Best,

Ms. Lindsey