# Panther Newsletter

## September 2021

## A note from our Principal, Dr. Burch:

The first month of school has flown by and your students have already accomplished a lot while at Perry Middle School! As things settle and everyone establishes their routines, I want to encourage families to make your child's education a priority. Our students are creating habits right now that will impact their education now and for years to come. We want to work closely with you to make sure we prepare your students for success. Please take a moment to gain access to Infinite Campus and reach out to your child's teachers when any issues arise. We are looking forward to another GREAT month!



## Greetings from our Media Center!

Dear Families,

Each month, we will host Scholastic Book Clubs in which you can purchase books for your student(s). You can choose to have your books shipped to your home or delivered to me with our class order. This month, with a \$25 order, you can pick a FREE \$5 Book (use code: READS). The Class Order Due Date is 09/04/21.

Shop Our Class Page: https://orders.scholastic.com/MMFQ7

Shop Digital Flyers for Our Grade with Your Child: <u>https://clubs.scholastic.com/middleschool</u> Please share the Class Page link to extended family and friends. All orders also earn FREE Books for our class. Thank you for your support!

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## Pre-order your Yearbook!

Place your yearbook orders today! Students will receive a free name plate if you order your yearbook by October 4. Yearbooks are \$40 until February 4, 2022 then the price increases to \$50. Eighth grade students can purchase recognition ads. Visit <u>www.yearbookordercenter.com</u> and enter **School Order Number: 21991**.

Click here to pre-order your Yearbook.





## Title 1 Meeting & Ope...

## 6th Grade

**Social Studies:** We will be looking at the impact of location, climate, natural resources, and population distribution on Europe. Also, will cover the benefits of trade and economic growth in United Kingdom, Germany, and Russia.

**Science:** We are finishing up Plate Tectonics and we are moving to Minerals- (Plan and carry out an investigation of the characteristics of minerals and how minerals contribute to rock composition.)

Math: Unit 1: Number System Fluency

~Compute fluently with multi-digit numbers and find common factors and multiples ~Apply and extend previous understandings of multiplication and division to divide fractions by fractions.

**ELA:** 6th grade ELA classes will be finishing up Unit 1 "How can I make my voice heard?" We will wrap up the unit with the unit test and an argument writing. Students will plan, write, and revise an argument in which they choose a favorite mode of self-expression and argue why that medium is effective. We cannot wait to see what our students have to say regarding this topic! We will begin Unit 2 where we will focus on reading a variety of texts that focus on "What keeps people from giving up?" Through these texts, we will focus on a variety of skills such as, Greek and Latin Roots, analyzing poetic forms, making inferences about theme, sentence patterns, the use of transition words, and characterization. Please make sure your student is reading at home and checking Google Classroom daily.

# 7th Grade

**Social Studies:** This month we are focusing on the cultural aspects of Middle Eastern society, as well as economic and civic issues across the region.

Science: In life science, students are studying cells and organ systems this month.

**Math:** 7th Grade mathematics students will continue their current unit of study, *Operations with Rational Numbers* through mid September. In August, students learned to add, subtract, multiply and divide integers, including positive and negative whole numbers and their opposites. Early September, students will be applying integer rules to Rational Numbers including fractional values and decimals. They will also convert fractional values to decimals and identify the decimal form as a terminating or repeating decimal. We will begin Unit 2, *Expressions and Equations* in mid September by writing equivalent algebraic expressions using Communitive, Associative, and Distributive Properties as well as combining like terms. Then, they will extend their 6th grade understanding of one-step equations to solve two-step and multi-step equations. The *Expressions and Equations* unit will continue through October and include algebraic representations of inequalities. **ELA:** In September, 7th grade ELA students will be wrapping up Unit One: Reality Check with an informational essay. On September 13th, we will start Unit 2 and will be focusing on the theme of how our actions define us. We start the unit with a short story, Heartbeat, by Yoo. We will progress through the unit by focusing on theme, and analyzing conflict.

## 8th Grade

**Social Studies:** GA History is studying the early explorers and the colonization of Georgia through Sept 4th. After Labor Day we will begin Unit 4 which covers Georgia Statehood (events leading to the Revolutionary War) and westward expansion once Georgia becomes a state. Unit 4 will last until October and have one or two quizzes and a test.

**Science:** MATTER MATTERS! This month in 8th grade science we are continuing our Matter Unit. We are exploring the basic principles of matter (atoms, elements, molecules and compounds), and how scientists have developed and organized a system to classify matter (the Periodic Table of Elements). Throughout this unit our 8th grade students will study the physical and chemical properties of matter, as well as states and changes of states of matter, and how this impacts daily life. We encourage parents and students to check Google Classroom daily for notes and announcements!

Honors Science: Newton's Laws, forces, and simple machines.

**Math:** In Algebra 1 this month we are learning about Rational numbers & their properties, operations with radicals, expressions, solving equations & inequalities. and solving systems of equations & inequalities.

**ELA:** Unit 2: This unit focus on the horror genre. Students will be analyzing literary criticism, point of view, suspense, themes, foreshadowing, as well as epic poetry.

# Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) Meeting

Morning Huddle – Wednesday, Sep 15 @ 7 a.m. in the media center See You at the Pole – Wednesday, Sep 22 @ 7 a.m. in front of the school

## Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Meeting

- September 11, 2021 Officer Training at the Museum of Aviation (from 10am 3pm)
- September 14, 2021 Chapter Meeting 2:45 3:45- Room 204

## BAND

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Wed	inesday	, Sept	emb	er 1

3:00pm PMS vs Huntington

#### Friday, September 3

End Coca Cola Fundraiser

#### Monday, September 13

2:45pm Football Band Practice

#### Tuesday, September 14

12:00pm Coca Cola Delivery date at Perry Middle

#### Wednesday, September 15

3:00pm PMS vs Mossy Creek

#### Monday, September 20

2:45pm Football Band Practice

#### Wednesday, September 22

3:00pm PMS vs Feagin Mill

#### Tuesday, September 28

Money for honor band must be turned in by today

#### Wednesday, September 29

3:00pm Possible Play-off Game

#### Thursday, September 30

3:00pm Possible Play-off Game

## PMS Band

## Chorus

September 23rd- All State Chorus Registration Deadline

# Athletics

September 1, 2021	
3:30pm - 6:30pm	Football vs. Huntington
September 8, 2021	
3:30pm - 6:30pm	Football vs. Bonaire
September 10, 2021	
3:30pm	Softball vs. Mossy Creek
September 14, 2021	
12:30pm	Softball vs. Feagin Mill
September 15, 2021	
3:30pm - 6:30pm	Football vs Mossy Creek
September 17, 2021	
3:30pm	Softball vs. Bonaire
September 21, 2021	
12:30pm	Softball vs. Mossy Creek
September 22, 2021	
3:30pm - 6:30pm	Football vs Feagin Mill

#### Cheer:

- September 11 at Warner Robins High School [Exhibition] @ 9 AM
- September 18 at Houston County High School @ 12 PM
- September 25 at Mossy Creek Middle School [Exhibition] @ 9 AM

### **PMS** Athletics

\*Please note- Dates and times are subject to change.

## Trouble with Infinite Campus?

Please click the link below.

