

# Mrs. Foster's Sixth Grade



september 19

## Up Coming Important Dates

Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> - First Science Quiz -

Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> - LATE START - School starts @ 9:00am

Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> - K-State Extension Lesson today

Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> - Ms. Agosto Lesson Today

Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> - Parent Teacher Conference - Watch for Sign up form to come home.

Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> - No School.

**Reading Curriculum** - 6<sup>TH</sup> Grade is currently working on character, setting and plot using short stories.

## Curriculum

**Science:** 6<sup>TH</sup> Grade students have been learning about the Metric System. In Science class we do not use any standard measurements. This is an adjustment, so we are learning to measure length using the meter, centimeter, and millimeter; measure mass using the gram, and volume using the liter, milliliter, and solid objects using cm<sup>3</sup>. The students will complete a performance assessment early next week.

**Math:** 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math - Next week, we will begin working in Math groups. One group will be working on 6<sup>th</sup> grade skills and will start book work. This is always a challenge as they are learning to transcribe from book to paper and learning to manage their time. Another group will be focusing on Math facts. Fluency allows for fluid transition from lower level material to 6<sup>th</sup> grade material. Fluency includes speed and accuracy. We will focus on addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division fluency. Once we have mastered these, we will move onto 6<sup>th</sup> grade material. All students will be required to have their IXL completed each week on Friday. Students have been given a list for school and a list for home. IXL is a program that helps students practice grade level skills. Skills are practiced after they have been taught in class unless the child chooses to work ahead. There is a reward system that goes along with this. Ask your students to show you how the "Coupon" system works. The students have been taught a method to help them keep track of where they are in IXL. It is okay if they work ahead, but if they miss three problems in a row, they are to stop and come to me for instruction. Mrs. Carrico does not want them to be frustrated and she has many methods to help them learn. Mrs. Carrico would suggest 15 to 20 minutes of practice three times a week at home to improve their skills. If your child is struggling, Mrs. Carrico would suggest that they practice each evening. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Carrico at [dcarrico@usd506.org](mailto:dcarrico@usd506.org), by phone, or call to make an appointment.

## Welcome to our New Students in Sixth Grade



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