



Science – Eighth grade has new resources this year. The students will use a Student Workbook that is very interactive throughout each lesson. Our first unit is covering introduction to Energy. There will be several opportunities for hands-on learning throughout each unit. I am excited to have Science resources that are aligned with our new Next Generation Science Standards.

Math – Students are learning the basics of linear equations to prepare them for learning slope. This includes rational number operations (positive and negative whole numbers, fractions, and decimals). This is a major skill in future algebra classes that students will have in high school, so learning it well now will benefit them in the future. We will also be dabbling in Geometry studies which use equations.

Social Studies – We will finish up the study of the creation of our Constitution. We will begin to analyze and discuss the challenges facing our new nation as we expand our territory westward.

Language Arts – We are currently reading short stories that will be performed when we go to the Encore plays. Reading quizzes will begin this Friday. Their first quiz is over their roots, prefixes, and suffixes list.

News and Information

Novel – The second novel for the year will be due this Friday, October 4th.

LCC 8th Grade Day – The 8th grade class will be going to LCC in Parsons on Wednesday, October 2nd. While there, the students will listen to a presentation from various college departments and take a guided tour of the campus. After we leave LCC, we will go to Chinese Chef for lunch. Students will eat the buffet. They do not need to bring money for lunch.

Encore Plays – The 8th-grade class will travel to Wichita on Tuesday, October 8th to watch the Encore Plays. These are plays put on by a professional performing arts company and are based on classic literary works. We will leave Edna at 7am and should arrive back around 4pm. We will stop in Andover or Augusta to eat on the way home. Students will need lunch money that day.

Late Start Day – Our next Late Start Day will be Wednesday, October 9th.

Orientation – Mona Garrett, a high school counselor, will come to Edna on Monday, October 14th to help students choose classes for orientation. Our first high school orientation day will be Tuesday, November 5th. We will leave Edna at 7:35. The students will go to various elective classes at the high school, will eat lunch in the high school cafeteria, and will return back to Edna that afternoon.

Chili Supper – Our annual Chili Supper will be Saturday, November 9th. Our basket theme for 7th & 8th grade is “Legos”. Any items that you can donate towards our basket would be greatly appreciated.