

Welcome to Mrs. Perkins' 6th Grade Science Class!

"Those who achieve the most are not the most skilled, but are those who concentrate long after the others have given up."

-James Solazzo

One of the goals that I have for my students this year is for them to become aware of and strengthen their thought processes as we explore the world around us by asking questions. To accomplish this, students will be challenged by the curriculum and learn to set individual goals so that they will challenge themselves. Perseverance is key!

Daily Routine

- 1. Upon entering the classroom students will:
- gather needed materials from their backpacks
- copy classwork and homework into their agendas
 - complete the daily Bellwork assignment
- 2. Classwork consisting of individual and group assignments. We will be utilizing the Manatee Core Curriculum.
 - 3. Dismissal will be initiated by the teacher not the bell.

Classroom Expectations/Responsibilities

- ♦ Be responsible
- ♦ Be respectful
- ♦ Be safe
- ♦ Be honest
- ♦ Be kind

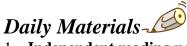
(These mirror the Braden River Middle School "Character to the Core" School Wide Expectations.)

Consequences...if one chooses to not be responsible

- ♦ Verbal warning
- ♦ Note home to parent/guardian in the agenda which requires parent signature
 - ♦ Guidance referral
- ♦ Administrative referral* The student earns a "4" in citizenship. Serious infractions automatically result in an administrative referral. Refer to Student Handbook.

Rewards for Responsible Actions

- ♦ Learning gains
- ♦ Internal satisfaction
- ♦ Increased motivation
 - ♦ Stickers!



- 1. Independent reading novel
- 2. Composition notebook (in addition to the BRMS supply list)
- 3. Green 3-prong folder (in addition to the BRMS supply list)
 - 4. Student agenda
 - 5. Binder with wide-ruled loose leaf paper
 - 6. Blue or black pens
 - 7. Pencils with an eraser and a hand held pencil sharpener
 - 8. Highlighter (any color)

Absent?

The student is responsible for completing and submitting any/all work that was completed during his/her absence. The amount of time that s/he has to complete this work is equivalent to the duration of his/her absence.

Homework

Students will be assigned weekly homework on Mondays which will be checked on Fridays. Some assignments and quizzes will be posted on edmodo. Visit a public library or media center if your child does not have the necessary technology. Homework will be accepted one day late for half credit. After one day late, homework will <u>not</u> be accepted.

Grades	Grading Scale
Graded assignments will be distributed into the	A = 90-100%
following categories:	B = 80-89%
40% Tests, Quizzes and Projects	C = 70-79%
20% Classwork	D = 60-69%
20% Homework	F = 0 - 59%
20% Lab Reports	

Communication

I encourage and support positive, proactive communication. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any question and/or concern. You may do so via the student agenda, e-mail or phone. My e-mail address is perkinss@manateeschools.net. My phone number is 751.7080 ext. 2039. My website is a work in progress so please check it periodically for updates. It can be accessed from the BRMS homepage. Please note that if you communicate via your child's agenda, it is his/her responsibility to inform me of your communication.

I look forward to an intense and learning focused year. Most importantly, I look forward to working with your child!

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