



October

Jack London Middle
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Team Infinity Newsletter

Classroom Update

October marks the beginning of your child's rotation into their second block class for the trimester. Your child should be in either Astronomy, Genetics, or Government class right now. This class will continue until the third week in October. At that point, your child will switch into their final block rotation for the first trimester.

In math class we have recently begun our "Stretching and Shrinking" unit. In this book your child will be learning about scale factors and similar figures. We will continue this unit of study through the end of the month.

In reading class we will continue to learn about guided reading and all of the stations that are involved in a successful guided reading class. By the end of October, each student will be able to travel to all of the stations independently.

Birthdays

- 1st – Marisa Domian
- 2nd – Marvin Bautista
- 7th – Evan Brown
- 23rd – Austin Martinez

Reminders to Parents

Be on the lookout this month for conference letters being sent home with your child. Please look over what dates would work best for you and your child to attend a conference with your homebase teacher. Conferences are scheduled in the order that each teacher receives them so make sure to return the conference sheet as soon as possible to guarantee the best choice for you.

Upcoming Events

Picture Re-takes

Wednesday, October 7

Columbus Day - No School

Monday, October 12

Mid Tri's Go Home

Friday, October 16

Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences

Tuesday, October 20

Thursday, October 22

Half Day – Dismissal at 11:30

Friday, October 30

Parent Quiz

Staying on track academically is mostly your child's job, but there are many ways you can help. Here's a quiz to see how you are doing. Give yourself 5 points for something you always do and zero points for something you never do—or any score in between.

- ___ 1. I keep up with how my child is doing in school.
- ___ 2. I encourage my child to get enough sleep and to eat nutritious foods.
- ___ 3. I make sure my child studies every day.
- ___ 4. I do learning activities with my child.
- ___ 5. I tell my child how much I love and believe in him or her.

How did you score? Twenty or above is good. Fifteen to 19 is average. Below 15? Use the ideas in this quiz to improve your child's performance in school.

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