

# CS Porter 7th Grade Newsletter

Week of March 6, 2023

## In our classrooms this week...

### English (ELA)

[Ms. Agostinelli](#),  
[Mr. Strothman](#),  
[Mrs. Pierce](#),  
[Mr. Baughman](#)  
[Ms Hammitt](#)

#### Lyddie by Katherine Paterson

- Exposition: Setting, Character, Plot
- Guiding Questions:
  - How can standing up for yourself strengthen your self-image?
  - In what ways do authors introduce characters? (How does this apply IRL?)
  - How can I grow my vocabulary? (Why does vocabulary matter?)
  - What are working conditions, and why do they matter?
  - How can standing up for yourself strengthen your self-image?
  - What strategies can you use when making important decisions?

#### Lyddie Audiobook Links

#### Lyddie PDF (entire book scanned, page by page)

- [Lyddie \(green\) Packet Ch1-7](#)
- [Lyddie \(purple\) Packet Ch8-23](#)

**Poetry** with Sam Olson from the *Missoula Writing Collaborative* is on-going once a week in each ELA class.

(Link to Hammitt/Lombardi ELA: [Daily Classes & Assignments](#))

### Math (Accelerated)

[Mr. Shepherd](#)

C3M1 - Dilations, Parallel Lines & Transversals

#### Tentative assignments: MATHia for Dilations

Assignments: pg. 135 - 136; 151 - 152; 161 - 162

**MATHia:** C3M1T2: Dilations and Scaling - 1 unit - 5 WS (due 3/3)

C3M1T3: Line, Angle Relationships - 3 units - 7 WS (due 3/17)

Pi day donations gladly accepted for 3/14

### Math

[Ms. Briner](#) &  
[Ms. Lombardi](#)  
[Mr. Moe](#),  
[Mrs. Pierce](#), [Mr. Shepherd](#)

#### Shepherd 4th & 8th

Module 3

Topic 1: Two-Step Expressions and Equations

#### Tentative Assignment:

#### Assessment:

#### MATHia:

- C2M3T1: Two-Step Expressions and Equations Units 1 - 3 (13 workspaces) Tentative due date 3/10 )

#### Co-Teach:

#### Pierce/Moe:

#### **Module 3, Topic 2: Multiple Representations of Equations & Inequalities**

Lsn 2: Structure of Linear Equations

Lsn 3: Solving Inequalities with Inverse Operations

#### **Homework:**

Infinite Algebra 1 Packet


#### **MATHia:**

Rewriting Algebraic Expressions

Modeling Equations as Equal Expressions

#### Brinbardi:

- Module 3: Expressions & Equations
- MATHIA: 21 Workspaces

<b>Health/PE (HPE)</b> <a href="#">Ms. Agostinelli</a> , <a href="#">Mr. Love</a> , <a href="#">Mr. Shepherd</a> , <a href="#">Mr. Moe</a>	<b><u>Health</u></b> <b>Mindfulness:</b> Moe <b>Nutrition:</b> - Shepherd <b>S.O.S. Lesson and Blue Zones:</b> Agostinelli <b>P.E.:</b> Moe - Floor Hockey Agostinelli - Love/Shepherd - Badminton
<b>Science</b> <a href="#">Mr. Love</a> , <a href="#">Mr. Strothman</a>	<b><u>Traits and Reproduction:</u></b>  Love: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3.6 Reproduction in Darwin's Bark Spiders</li> <li>• 4.1 Analyzing Evidence</li> <li>• 4.2 Science Seminar</li> <li>• 4.3 Writing a Scientific Argument</li> </ul> Strothman: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 50/50 Lab</li> <li>• Expected &amp; Observed Results Lab</li> <li>• Genes &amp; Blood Clotting Lab <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ X &amp; Y Chromosome Linked Traits</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Common Traits / Fingerprint Lab <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Yellow &amp; Blue Make (Multiple Forms of Heredity)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Social Studies</b> <a href="#">Ms. Briner</a> , <a href="#">Mrs. Hammitt</a>	<b>Briner's Classes: Inquiry Extension</b> Students explore BIG questions. Brainstorming, researching, synthesizing, sharing.  <b>Hammitt's Classes: History, Geography, Culture of Kazakhstan</b> Led by Ms. Bohannon (UM Teacher Candidate)  <b>Medieval Japan Extension!</b> Going beyond our textbook, using <a href="#">Shipwrecked: The True Adventures of a Japanese Boy by Rhoda Bloomberg</a> and clips from the <a href="#">PBS Documentary Japan: Memoirs of a Secret Empire</a> to learn about Japan's nearly 300 years of isolation as well as why that period (& the samurai with it) came to an end in 1868.  (Link to Hammitt SS: <a href="#">Daily Classes &amp; Assignments</a> ) (Link to Briner SS: <a href="#">Daily Classes &amp; Assignments</a> )
<b>Strategies</b> <a href="#">Ms. Lombardi</a>	<b><u>This week's Strategies Tip:</u></b> Check your student's grades with them every week.   Students are using a daily planner to keep track of homework assignments. Take a look!

## 7th Grade Stuff

Current:

**CS Porter**  
**Attendance Hotline:**  
**(406) 542-4060 opt#1**

[CS Porter Website](#)

CS Porter Office:  
(7:30-3:30pm)

Secretaries:  
[Stacie Staples](#)  
[Ciana Kelly](#)  
[Machelle Cheyney](#)

Principal:  
[Ty Solberg](#)

Assistant Principal:  
[Kammy Meyers](#)

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Kat Harmon  
[porterfrfc@mcpsmt.org](mailto:porterfrfc@mcpsmt.org)

Flagship:  
[csporterflagship@mcpsmt.org](mailto:csporterflagship@mcpsmt.org)

## Current 7th Graders: Student Trip Opportunity

★ **Washington, DC & New York City ~ June 2024**

### Informational & Enrollment Meeting

Tuesday, March 7 at 6:00pm

- Meet in Mrs. Nowlen's Room (Nextdoor to Mr. Shepherd's class)
- [Informational Flyer](#): Click to see itinerary, costs, and other details.
- Got questions or can't attend - please contact [Mindy Hammitt](#).

### Shrek, Jr. The Musical

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2/27	2/28	3/01	3/2	3/3
	Sing Through Show/ Revisit Music: What's up Duloc, Make a Move, Forever 3-4:30  Called: Full Cast	Blocking: Big Bright Beautiful World (Opening) 3-4:30  Called: Full Cast No: Fiona, Donkey	Blocking: P.10 -Story of My Life 2-4  Called: Fairy Tale Creatures, Dawson, Max, Captain of Guard, Shrek	Blocking: p. 44 - 51 (Travel Song) 3 - 4:30  Called: Shrek, Donkey, Chorus

### CS Porter Sports:

- Basketball
  - A-Team
    - 3/7 vs. Washington @ C.S. Porter Gibson Gym ~ 4:00
    - 3/8 @ Lolo ~ 4:00
    - The St. Joes Game on 3/9 could be rescheduled or canceled
  - B- Team
    - 3/6 @ Washington ~ 4:00
- For *all* sports info, go to the [activities tab](#) on [Porter Website](#).

### Fine Arts Calendar:

To view the Fine Arts Calendar (including *all* concerts), go to the [Academics tab](#) on the [MCPS District Website](#), then click [Fine Arts Program](#), and finally choose [Music & Arts Calendar](#).

- 7th Grade Choir Concert: March 7, 2023 @ 7:00pm

### Weekly Grade Checks:

Use **Infinite Campus** (computer system, grades, attendance, etc) to stay on top of grades and assignments. Download the Infinite Campus App and set up an Infinite Campus login by contacting our secretaries, [Machelle Cheyney](#) (or call 542-4060) If you have questions about student grades, please email the teacher.

**Character Strong** is the new MCPS social-emotional curriculum. Visit their [website](#) for more information.

	<p><b>Free &amp; Reduced-Price School Meal Applications:</b> For the previous two school years, school meals have been free for every child in the United States due to the public health emergency. However, in June, the federal waiver for free school meals expired. This means that starting this year, students will no longer automatically receive free breakfasts and lunches.</p> <p>To help our students and our schools, please help us encourage every family in MCPS to fill out the Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application and return it to their child's school. In addition to saving money every week on school meals, qualifying families can receive waivers for the costs of the ACT/SAT, reduced fees or free school activities that can otherwise cost hundreds of dollars, and cheaper internet! Even for families who don't qualify for free or reduced meals, filling out the <a href="#">Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application</a> still helps our schools. These forms help with an accurate count of at-risk students, which is necessary to qualify for crucial federal funding to pay for additional staff, professional development, family support services, and other things to help meet at-risk students' educational needs. Find more information on the <a href="#">MCPS Food and Nutrition Services website</a>.</p>
Upcoming...	<b>Spring Break: March 20-25, 2023</b>



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# Missoula County Public Schools

## 2022-2023 School Calendar

### Middle Schools

<b>July 2022</b> S M T W TH F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	<b>August 2022</b> S M T W TH F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	<b>September 2022</b> S M T W TH F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	<b>October 2022</b> S M T W TH F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31
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#### Calendar Dates

August 30	First Day of School Grade 6 ONLY
August 31	First Day of School Grades 7-8
September 5	Labor Day
October 20-21	Professional Development Days
November 11	Conferencing Day-No School
November 23-25	Thanksgiving Vacation
December 22-30	Winter Vacation
January 2	Winter Vacation
January 16	M.L. King Holiday
February 13	Professional Development Day
February 20	Presidents' Holiday
March 20-24	Spring Break
May 29	Memorial Holiday
June 9	Last Day of School-1/2 Day

#### Early Out Days

Every Thursday 45 Minute Early Dismissal

#### Quarter Dates

November 4	End of 1st Quarter
January 20	End of 2nd Quarter
March 31	End of 3rd Quarter
June 9	End of 4th Quarter

#### Symbol Codes

○	Holiday or Unscheduled Day/ No School
□	Conferences - No School
◇	Staff Dev/Prep Day - No School
△	Half Day of School
▶	School Begins
◀	School Ends
□	End of Quarter
◻	End of Trimester
XX	Early Dismissals (one hour)

Basic calendar approved by Board of Trustees March 29, 2022.  
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