

CS Porter 7th Grade Newsletter

Week of March 13, 2023

Spring Break is March 20-25, 2023.

Quarter 3 ends Friday, March 31, 2023

In our classrooms this week...

English (ELA)

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

Lyddie by Katherine Paterson

- 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?
 - 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: This week will be our last lesson with Sam Olson from the *Missoula Writing Collaborative*. Later this spring, students will select their favorite poem, work to improve it, and then submit it to the 7th Grade Poetry Anthology.

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

Math (Accelerated)

[Mr. Shepherd](#)

C3M1 - Dilations, Parallel Lines & Transversals

Tentative assignments: Assignments: pg. 161 - 162

ASSESSMENT - Parallel Lines & Transversals this week

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:

In class assignments
MATHia at home

Assessment:

Solving Variable equations

- One Step
- Two Step
- Multi Step

Co-Teach:

Pierce/Moe:

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

Lsn 3: Solving Inequalities with Inverse Operations

Lns 4: Using Equations & Inequalities to Solve Problems

Homework:


Infinite Algebra 1 Packet

MATHia:

Units 1-4 (10 Workspaces)

Brinbardi:

- Module 3: Expressions & Equations

	<p>MATHia:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● C2M3T1: Two-Step Expressions and Equations Units 1 - 2 (10 workspaces) Tentative due date 3/10) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● MATHIA: 21 Workspaces
<p>Health/PE (HPE) Ms. Agostinelli, Mr. Love, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Moe</p>	<p>Health S.O.S. Lesson & Mindfulness: Moe Nutrition: - Shepherd Blue Zones: Agostinelli P.E.: Moe - Floor Hockey Agostinelli - Circuit Training Love/Shepherd - Badminton - Floor Hockey after break S.O.S Parent Info. Link</p>	
<p>Science Mr. Love, Mr. Strothman</p>	<p><u>Traits and Reproduction:</u></p> <p>Love:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 50/50 Lab ● Expected & Observed Results Lab ● Genes & Blood Clotting Lab <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ X & Y Chromosome Linked Traits ● Common Traits / Fingerprint Lab <p>Strothman:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Common Traits / Fingerprint Lab ● Yellow & Blue Make (Multiple Forms of Heredity) ● Genetics Quiz ● A Twisted Tale (DNA) <p>Going Public in Science #6 is Due Thursday, 3/16</p>	
<p>Social Studies Ms. Briner, Mrs. Hammitt</p>	<p>Briner's Classes: Inquiry Extension! Students explore BIG questions. Brainstorming, researching, synthesizing, sharing.</p> <p>Hammitt's Classes: Medieval Japan Extension! Going beyond our textbook, using Shipwrecked: The True Adventures of a Japanese Boy by Rhoda Bloomberg and clips from the PBS Documentary Japan: Memoirs of a Secret Empire to learn about Japan's nearly 300 years of isolation and why that period (& the samurai with it) came to an end in 1868.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Link to Hammitt SS: Daily Classes & Assignments) (Link to Briner SS: Daily Classes & Assignments)</p>	
<p>Strategies Ms. Lombardi</p>	<p><u>This week's Strategies Tip:</u> Check your student's grades with them every week.</p> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <p>Students are using a daily planner to keep track of homework assignments. Take a look!</p> </div>	

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](#)

7th grade counselor:

[Leslie Guerrerri](#)

Family Resource Center:

Kat Harmon

porterfrc@mcpsmt.org

Flagship:

cspporterflagship@mcpsmt.org

Current 7th Graders: Student Trip Opportunity

★ Washington, DC & New York City ~ June 2024

This [Informational Flyer](#) from Global Travel has lots of details, including the preliminary itinerary, the cost & all that it covers, and instructions on how to enroll. Please contact [Mindy Hammitt](#) with any questions. Enrollment is capped at 50.

Shrek, Jr. The Musical

3/13	3/14 Blocking: Run beginning of show up until P. 65 3- 5:00 Called - FULL CAST	3/15 Blocking: Morning Person 3-4:30 Called: Fiona, Chorus, Pied Piper, Donkey, Shrek	3/16 Blocking/Music - Brush-up/Revisit 3-4:30 Called - FULL CAST	3/17 NO REHEARSAL HAPPY SPRING BREAK!!
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CS Porter Sports:

- Basketball
 - Thank you to the 7th grade basketball players. It was a fantastic season. I saw a ton of growth from all of the players. I am already excited for next year's season!
 - Mr. Strothman
 - 8th Grade A-Team Tournament
 - Monday, March 13 vs. St. Joe's at Hellgate Elementary Building #3 - 4:00pm
- 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.

Free & Reduced-Price School Meal Applications: For the previous two school years, school meals have been free for every

	<p>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 Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application 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 MCPS Food and Nutrition Services website.</p>
Upcoming...	Spring Break: March 20-25, 2023 Quarter 3 ends Friday, March 31, 2023.



Forward Thinking, High Achieving

Missoula County Public Schools 2022-2023 School Calendar Middle Schools

July 2022							August 2022							September 2022							October 2022						
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March 2023							April 2023							May 2023							June 2023						
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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)