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Reading

Nonfiction- Students will focus on how readers make meaning of nonfiction and how new understandings gained through reading nonfiction can have a powerful impact on their lives.

Critical Literacy- Students learn that readers and authors bring their own beliefs and assumptions into the texts they read and write.

Poetry- Students carefully consider the choices poets make to communicate a mood, feeling, image, or message.

Writing

Literary Nonfiction- Students use nonfiction topics they know a lot about and incorporate imagery, figurative language, and description to create well-written informational narrative.

Investigative Journalism- Students spend time discussing how power, privilege, position, and perspective shape how and what authors write.

Poetry- Students will deliberately choose poetic tools to reveal images, evoke feelings, and produce sound to create a poem.

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Math 6

Rational Numbers- Students use context to explore integer and rational number values on the number line. They will use a number line to order fractions, decimals, and percents as well as interpret absolute value. Finally students will represent patterns with exponents and perfect squares.

Integer Operations- Students will learn to perform operations using positive and negative integers.

Coordinate Planes- Students will learn about congruence of segments, angles and polygons. As this unit continues, students explore graphing polygons on a coordinate plane.

Math 6 Advanced

Expressions, Equations, and Inequalities- Students will build on their understanding of algebraic properties and the real number system.

Functions - Students will graph proportional relationships and identify that the unit rate is the slope of a graph. Students understand that mathematical relationships can be represented four ways: graphs, tables, equations, and words.

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Science

Patterns of Weather- Students will be able to explain the properties of air, the structure of the atmosphere, weather, and air quality.

Social Studies

Students will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship to understand the factors that shaped the following topics:

- 1) **West African Empires**
- 2) **Colonial America**
- 3) **The American Revolution**

Dates to Remember

- No School- 11/4, 11/5, 11/27, 11/28, 11/29, 12/23 – 1/3, 2/20
- Patriots Day: 11/11 9:00 a. m.
- Book Fair- 12/4 – 12/11

Reminder

- Please read our weekly newsletters!

Our EF traits for Quarter 2:

- November- Paying Attention
- December- Organization
- January- Staying on Track