

# Bilingual Middle School --- March Newsletter

Room 306-5th and 6th- Liang and Room 310-7th and 8th - Ruan

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**Middle School ELA Literacy/Novel Study:** Both rooms will actively engage the students to read and study the **SAME** novel based on the main themes, **CULTURE and IDENTITY & DIVERSITY** that are connected to the basal, *Esperanza Rising and Seedfolks*. Within the stories, students will learn about literary elements, figurative languages, comprehension reading strategies/skills, critical thinking skills, higher-order thinking questions, annotation, character analysis and write reflections. 我们会用《风中玫瑰》和《播种人》这两本小说引导学生思考文化及身份认同。学生会学习不同文学元素,比喻性语言,理解阅读策略,批判性思维技能,高阶思维问题,注释,性格分析等。

**306 -5th/6th and 310 - 7th/8th** We will focus on vocabulary development, comprehension skills and strategies, spelling patterns, and the 6 +1 writing traits using **Esperanza Rising for 306 and Seedfolks for 310**. We will incorporate school's social emotional learning theme with ELA and Social Studies each month. Students are encouraged read on a nightly basis to create a life-long reader! Students will read stories/informational texts that focus on identity and culture (diversity) in Unit 1. The skills we are focusing on include: learning how to annotate with texts; identifying theme/central idea, analyzing the elements of a short story; analyzing the story's plot development; applying vocabulary in a specific domain; using context clues to figure out the meanings of the unfamiliar words from affixes with Greek and Latin roots. 我们将把重点放在词汇的发展,理解能力和战略,拼写模式和 6 + 1 写作特征。学生会学习如何分析短篇重点,找中心思想,分析故事情节发展,用希腊和拉丁词根理解不熟悉的词汇。

**310-7th/8th starting on February, 310 will begin to study the new novel, SEEDFOLKS** 七/八年級的學生開始學習新的小說《播种人》

## **ELA Literacy/Writing Across the Content:**

306 - **5th/6th** - Students will practice narrative writing and write reflections from passages

using the 6 writing traits. 学生将使用6個写作特征练习叙事文写作和写反思。

**310 - 7th/8th** - Students are learning how to write friendly letter along with knowing how to write address on the envelop. Students are able to create holiday cards with meaningful messages included in the card. Students are introduced to write persuasive writing implementing the 6 traits of writing. 學生將學習如何給朋友寫信及節日卡片。學生將使用6個寫作特徵練習說服文寫作。

**Academic Enrichment/Intervention RIT Band Focus/Learning CENTERS/DAILY 5 CAFE:**

\*\*\* Student-centered learning activities utilizing texts and technology for support (online resources: ixl.com; spellingcity.com; Khan Academy).\*\*\* Students are grouped and given a specific color according to their NWEA Reading RIT scores. 我们用科技支持（电脑等）以学生为中心的学习活动。学生们根据考试成绩分组并用合适他们的学习材料学习各项技能。

**Middle School Math:**

This month the students from the following grades are learning:

306 - Topic 12 - Divide Fractions by Fractions 學生會學習分數的除法並用學到的知識解決生活中的問題。

**310 - 8th - STARTING A NEW UNIT ON** enVision Math: Topic 6 Congruence and Similarity & Topic 7 Understand and Apply the Pythagorean Theorem 學生會學習第六章全等及相似和第七章理解及應用勾股定理。

**Middle School Science:**

306 - **5th/6th-** We will start Unit 4 - Ecosystems. After completing this unit, students will know what are ecosystems, how plants get and use energy, and how humans impact ecosystems.. 學生學習生態系統及人類如何影響生態系統。



**310 - 7th/8th** - Students will in **UNIT B - Chemical of Materials**. 学生会学习有關化學原料的知識

**Middle School Social Science:**

306 -- **Life in the Eastern Hemisphere:** Students learn current events using NewsELA. Start Unit 3: Colonial Life in North America 學生用NewsELA学习时事新闻。学生开始学习第三章：北美的殖民生活

**310 -- Incorporating Character Education and Current Events as Part of the Social Studies curriculum:**

**310 - 7th/8th - AMERICAN NATION** - Students are encouraged to watch current events daily to know what's happening around the city, states and other countries globally. Students will study the U.S. Constitution. Students will learn chapters 6 and 7. 學生每天觀看時事新聞以了解周邊及世界大事。學生會學習美國憲法及第六第七章。

<p><b>310 --- Stars of the Week for March:</b>          March 6: HaoRan Sun          March 13: YaoRong Liang          March 20: LingFang Lei          March 27: WenHui Zhu</p> 	<p><b>306 --- Stars of the Week for March:</b>          March 6: YaoWen Li          March 13: Erica Zheng          March 20: XiaoCi Peng          March 27: Oscar Xu</p> 
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**Lunch and Recess:** 午餐及课间休息  
 10:30-11:15 for Rooms 306 and 310

**Important March Dates:** 三月重要日期

**3/10/17 -- 3rd Quarter Progress Report Distribution; PAC Meeting** 第三学期期中学习进度报告

**3/14/17 - Pi Day**

**3/20/17 -- LSC evening meeting @ 4:30p.m.** 地方学校理事会会议

**Ancillary Class Schedule**

Room	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>310</b> (preps are from 8:00-9:00 a.m. except Thursday is from 9:00-10:00 for ART)	<b>Gym</b> 體育	<b>Library</b> 圖書館	<b>Music</b> 音樂	<b>ART</b> 美術	<b>PREP</b> push-in
<b>306</b> (preps are from 12:45-1:45p.m. except Thursday is from 9:00-10:00 for PREP push-in)	<b>Gym</b> 體育	<b>Library</b> 圖書館	<b>Music</b> 音樂	<b>PREP</b> push-in	<b>Art</b> 美術