News from Mrs. P's class October 26, 2012

Happy Friday! Our first quarter is winding to an end and the students continue to be good-natured and hard-working. I'm really enjoying both my seventh graders and my eighth graders. This week, students in both grades took tests on the units we completed.

What we've been up to . . .

- ❖ In 7th grade—This week, we finished up our unit on short stories and literary terms. Students took a pretty comprehensive test on short stories where students were asked to apply what they learned to a short story that was on the test. They did well—they were able to use their notes and other materials and came to class prepared for this test. These test scores will be added into Infinite Campus today. Students will also take their last spelling quiz of the quarter today (10/26).
- ❖ In 8th grade—Students wrapped up reading <u>The Outsiders</u> and really seemed to enjoy this book; there have been lots of great questions and discussion, especially on the time period of the book. They've asked me a lot of questions even thought I've reminded them that at age 35, I was not alive in the 60s [©] They took the final test on the book on Tuesday and these scores will be added to Infinite Campus this weekend. They also completed a project on the characters from <u>The Outsiders</u> which is due by the end of the day today.
- ❖ Looking ahead . . . first quarter ends on **Friday, November 2nd** and students will have a **12:00 dismissal**.
- Additionally, the WKCE test will be administered the following week on November 6, 7, and 8. Additional information to come in next week's newsletter.

I hope you enjoy the COLD weekend we'll be having. It looks to me to be a great weekend to watch some football. Now I just have to decide if I should outfit myself and my children in Badger or Packer clothing.

Have a wonderful weekend and thanks for all you do! Jen Peterson