

News from Mrs. P's class

November 18, 2012

- ❖ Happy weekend! This week, both my 7th graders and my 8th graders had a classroom guidance presentation. Seventh graders discussed Internet safety while my 8th graders talked about healthy vs. unhealthy relationships with a presenter from the Christine Ann center in Oshkosh.

What we've been up to . . .

- ❖ **In 7th grade**—This week, we wrapped up a grammar unit on Capitalization and Punctuation. Next week Tuesday, students will take the final test on Capitalization/Punctuation. They may use their notes and homework on the test and their homework packet will be due that day as well. We also discussed what we'll be working on the rest of second quarter in terms of outside reading. I discussed our "5 in 2" project where students will read/journal/present on five books that they read over the course of 2nd quarter.
- ❖ **In 8th grade**—This week, we were in the library for two days doing prewriting and writing of our personal narratives. We also discussed how to write both introduction and conclusion paragraphs. Next week, students will be in the computer lab on Monday and Tuesday working on wrapping up their essays, and revising and editing with a partner. Their final drafts will be due on Tuesday, November 20 by the end of the school day.
- ❖ Looking ahead . . . on Wednesday, November 21, students will have a noon dismissal and due to Thanksgiving, will have no school on Thursday or Friday.

Best of luck to all the deer hunters out there! I very briefly considered becoming a deer hunter and joining my husband this weekend, but then I remembered that I don't like heights, don't like being cold, don't like blood or looking at dead animals, and would really struggle with the "remaining silent for hours on end" part of hunting. I think I'll pass.

Have a wonderful weekend and thanks for all you do!

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