

## QHIA Weekly Update: October 16, 2016

Hello QHIA families,

We all had a fun time at our first Movie Night of the year. Unfortunately, no CRMS students joined us this time around, however the majority of our class was in attendance! We will have another Movie Night in January or in the Spring. In an effort to make these Weekly Updates shorter, I will post the entire Update on the website, and just stick to important announcements and calendar events via the weekly emails.

### **Announcements:**

We had a **VERY successful Drive for Schools!** Our program took in **\$800.00**, which will go directly to our students. We will have a meeting to discuss the different ways we can use our funds. Thank you to the following families for purchasing and/or selling tickets! I am so grateful for your efforts and contributions to our fledgling program: the Buckmann/Gordons, the Lariz family, the Doyle family, the Reisewitz-Oteng family, the Dewis family, the Hughes family, the Schertz family, the Mandell family, the Ackemann family, and the Stanley/Stockton family. We also have \$240.00 from the Redwood Mtn. Faire last Spring (Thank you Anna Deraco!) and our refund from Mt. Hermon for \$575.00. **That brings our total to \$1615.00. Thank you families!**

### **IMPORTANT DATES/EVENTS NEXT WEEK:**

#### **Thursday, October 20:**

- **Picture Day!:** We will have our class picture taken, as well as individual photos. Students will bring home order forms on Monday. Please send them, with \$, back with your student if you are interested in purchasing a class photo and/or photo package.
  - 1:00pm-3:00pm - QHIA, QH Homeschool
- **Stargazing and Telescope Night hosted by Lisa Michel, our teacher at Fall Creek Homeschool.**
  - We will gather on the field at the QH campus with the Santa Cruz Astronomy Club. Please arrive at 7 pm with a flashlight – we will be distributing red cellophane to cover your flashlights so they do not interfere with our night vision – please do not shine regular flashlights on the field. Parents are responsible for their children at all times in the dark! Please do not allow any running around –a number of very delicate and

sophisticated telescopes will be set up. The chance to see 4 planets at the same time is a real treat – don't miss it!

### **Friday, October 21:**

- **Our first All Charter Skate Day!** We will skate from 1-3pm at the Santa Cruz Roller Palladium, located on Seabright Ave. near the intersection at Soquel. You will receive a QHIA contact list early this week.
  - Cost: FREE for all enrolled students and parents.
  - If you would like inline skates, it will be \$3.00 extra.
- PBS airs "Hamilton" Documentary. Click on the link for a trailer. Exciting!  
[PBS "Hamilton" Documentary Trailer](#)

All important info, including All Student Assignments and our calendar of events, will be accessible at any time here. Just click on this link:

[QHIA Website](#)

### **UPDATE:**

#### **Math and Physical Science**

Students completed some quizzes on their Science concepts in 3 phases:

1. 1st quiz: Seeing what they remembered from previous lessons without any notes or aides, just from memory (to self-reflect on what information just "stuck". Was it the videos? Was it notetaking?)
2. 2nd quiz: using notes to help answer questions (to self-check their organization and clarity of their notes)
3. 3rd quiz: using notes and the textbook to help answer questions (to be able to find information needed within the text)

Students worked steadily through their individual assignments

**\*See Assignments at the bottom of this page.**

#### **History and English**

##### *Election Process*

Students participated in our statewide Mock Election 2016 after reviewing information on each candidate and some of the propositions on the ballot. We then compared our results to the statewide student vote. Our classroom outcomes: Jill Stein-9 votes, Hillary Clinton-6 votes, Gary Johnson-4 votes, Donald Trump-2 votes, Gloria Estela La Riva-1 vote. All propositions passed.

##### *Poetry and Google Presentations*

Students edited Bio Poems that they wrote about themselves, and then learned or reviewed how to use google presentations to set each of their poetry lines to an image.

#### **Art**

Students had their last full week of Improv with Hunter and created handprint logo art images for an art contest at SC Mountain Arts Center. \*Students in Tuesday Improv will have one more day with him this week.

Thank you for sharing your students with me!

~Amber

**Mark your calendars! Upcoming QHIA and Charter Events in October:**

Thursday, October 20: Picture Day

Friday, October 21: PBS airs "Hamilton" Documentary

Friday, October 21: All Charter Skate Day at the Roller Palladium

Wednesday, October 26: Tour of SLV PAC (Performing Arts Center) and scale measurement activity, also PE and lunch with Coast Redwood Middle School. \*All at Tricampus in Felton.

Thursday, October 27: Halloween Costume Parade and Fall Celebration

**Assignments:**

**Due Prior to Monday Class, October 17**

1) CK12 Science: 2.16, 2.17, 2.18, 2.19

**Due Prior to Wednesday Class, October 19**

2) CK12 Science: 2.20, 2.21, 2.22

**Due on Friday, October 21**

1) First revisions to Writing Benchmark according to suggestions made per individual conference with each student.