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The Avilla Middle School Weekly Newsletter

**Math and Science**

**8th Math A** 🡪 Identifying Triangles and Quadrilaterals, Angle Measurement (MAP Testing Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)

**8th Math B** 🡪 Systems of Equations (MAP Testing Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)

**7th Math** 🡪 Measuring Angles, Circumference and Area of a Circle, Surface Area of Prisms and Cylinders

**6th Math** 🡪 Collecting Data, Reading Graphs, Probability

**8th Science** 🡪 Reviewing for MAP, Working on Science Fair Paper

**7th Science** 🡪 Working on Science Fair Paper

**6th Science** 🡪 Students are moving on from Science Fair into a unit on rocks and the rock cycle. Students will be tested over movement of the Earth's crust and science fair vocabulary Friday, April 5. We will be looking at mineral samples and learning how to classify minerals by their properties.

**Tech**

6th Grade is Finishing up on an Ag WebQuest

7th Grade is Finishing up their Ag WebQuest Videos
8th Grade is Working on Ag Week Activities

and the Greenhouse

**AG**

Plants Sale starting April 12th before Avilla Idol!

Language Arts

The sixth graders finished their 1960s WebQuest and, Monday, begin the novel, *The Watsons Go To Birmingham.* They also and worked on the formula for a formal body paragraph.

The seventh graders recently finished Chapter Four of Melba Patillo Beals’ memoir, *Warriors Don’t Cry*. They are working on their literal and inferential comprehension of the memoir.

The eighth graders are through Chapter Ten of John Boyne’s Holocaust fable, *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*. They also watched the documentary, *Paper Clips*, the story of how a small, rural school in Whitwell, Tennessee worked to learn more about the Holocaust and then created a permanent memorial in honor of the victims.

**Social Studies**

6th grade- Continuing a chapter on Expansion Into the Americas

7th grade - Continuing a chapter over West Africa

8th grade - Students are giving presentations over their WebQuest entitled “Where Do You Want To Go?” If parents would like to check out the site it is: [www.wolfeswebquest.weebly.com](http://www.wolfeswebquest.weebly.com)

**Physical Education**

Physical Fitness testing has begun! The students are excited and ready to do their best in order to receive the Presidential or National Physical Fitness Award.

**Health**

In 6th-8th Health, we will begin a unit over Violence and Injury Prevention.

**REMINDERS**

* **Science Fair is TONIGHT, April 4 in the gym from 6:00 – 7:30 pm**
* **Early Release on Wednesday, April 10**
* **6th and 7th Grade Titanic Field Trip Friday, April 12**
* **Friday, April 26th is FIELD DAY!**
* **8th Grade Class Trip Wednesday, May 8**
* **AG Week begins Monday, May 13**
* **Eighth Grade Graduation is Monday, May 20**
* **Last Day of School is Tuesday, May 21**

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