

Seventh Grade Newsletter

August 30, 2021

Welcome Back to School!

We are so excited to be back to school. We spent our first week working on routines and expectations. We will be sharing these with you on Wednesday, September 1 as part of our Open House from 5:30-7:00 pm. We will have handouts in our classroom areas, and your student can also show you around to any of the other spaces they have instruction. You may also want to check out the piglets, out near the sugar shack!

A few ways you can help your student:

- Laptops must be charged each day. It is helpful to have your child get in the habit of charging it each night.
- We will be using Google Classroom to post assignments. Parents can request access; just send us your email address to us (our emails are below). Please indicate which classes you'd like to be invited to. You can also view assignments using your child's login information.
- Please send in a water bottle with your student; communal drinking fountains are not available.

Upcoming Events

- **Open House: Wednesday, September 1, 2021 5:30-7:00 pm**
Fundraising Discount cards will be available at the Open House
- **Picture Day: Thursday, September 2** Forms were sent home last Thursday
- **Labor Day Weekend Break: no school Friday, September 3 and Monday, September 6**

Newsletters will be emailed and posted on Mondays opposite of the weeks the Chat goes out, so you can expect one or the other each week. Newsletters are also posted on our classroom page at The Chatfield School website. [Chatfield School](#)

Curriculum Notes

ELA: We are beginning the year with memoirs. We are reading [Red Scarf Girl](#), a memoir about the Chinese Cultural Revolution. Students will work on writing their own memoir, focusing on an important event or experience in their life. We will brainstorm topic ideas in class, but students can benefit from talking with you about ideas as well. They may also need your help in recalling details about the event.

Social Studies: Students will be exploring the question of what is Social Studies and why do we study it? We will also be learning about how historical thinking helps us understand our world, and the steps and tools historians use to do their job. There will be assignments posted on Google Classroom. Please check with your child to be sure these are being submitted by the due date.

Science: We will wrap up lab safety this week, and begin working on chemistry. Students will begin by learning about substances, their properties, and the periodic table.

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Please follow this link to see more photos from our first week: [First Week](#)