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# 7<sup>th</sup> Grade News

Edna Elementary School

## Strike Party

Students enjoyed their first strike party at Red Apple Bowl. We are planning on an indoor swimming party and games in December. Please encourage your child to do their best.

## Chili Supper

As a reminder, chili supper is Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. Our basket is looking great. I hope that you can come and support your child through this event. It takes all of us working together to make it successful. We are blessed to have your children in our school!

## Math

We are working on one and two-step equations. Once this chapter is finished, we will move onto Inequalities. Students need to stay on top of their homework. We have had several students not doing their work and they are receiving strikes for this. They are very capable of managing their time and communicating with staff. Please encourage your child to do their work.

## STEAM Projects

Our STEAM projects were a huge success. Our farmhouse star project was a huge success. Students have learned a lot about woodworking over the past 9 weeks. They have experienced the full realm of the engineering process: designing, researching, planning, creating, testing, and improving. Although we have finished the actual products, next week, we will finish our technical writing critiques. A big thank you to Danny Carrico and David Carrico for their help in this process.

## Social Studies

Students have finished reading the novel Steal Away Home. The novel is currently centered around a main character who is a Quaker and is taught to practice non-violence. That said, He is struggling with the moral obligation to fight and/or support fighting to help abolish slavery. Conversations are centering around "is there a time for war? Is there a time to fight?" In class, we have started our Geography unit as well.

## Science

7th Grade will be wrapping up the chapter on how cells function sometime next week. This includes chemical reactions that take place in the cell, photosynthesis, cellular respiration, osmosis and diffusion. We are also working on getting the Tower Garden up and running. The students have chosen their fruit or vegetable they want to grow, so in about two weeks we should have seedlings ready to transplant to the garden.

## Language Arts & Reading

We are continuing to review various types of nouns and verbs. These are very important foundational grammar skills that are imperative that students have a firm grasp on.