

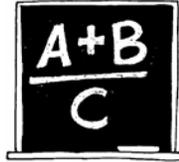
Integrated Language Arts

How does language help me communicate ideas to others? How can I learn by listening? How does reading help me learn about the world? How do we understand what we read? How do we use the English language appropriately to speak and write? How do we write, speak, and present effectively? This year in language arts, Ms. Nobilio and Ms. Burdacki's classes will explore these essential questions in our daily class work, with projects, discussions, essays, and readings. Students will be reading fiction and non-fiction, poetry, short stories, and essays. The standing homework assignment for language arts classes is 20-30 minutes of independent reading, nightly. Reading rocks!



Math

In all math classes we will explore 7 different units over the course of the school year. Some topics include verbal and algebraic expressions, coordinate planes, numerical and proportional reasoning, probability, patterns, geometry and data. Exciting math games and activities will help us move from the concrete to the abstract. Math Marvels!



Science

Our little scientists will experience energy, work and power as we relate to the world of simple machines. We also explore the many systems of the human body. Finally, we discover the geology of our own state of Connecticut, as well as plate tectonics, earthquakes, and volcanoes. Science rules!



Social Studies

This year in 7th grade social studies we will hone our map skills with our initial unit studying general world geography. During the course of the year we will take a tour of the world focusing on the Eastern hemisphere with units on Africa, Middle East, Russia, India, China and Japan. We also will be incorporating current events into these units. Social Studies soars!



Notes:



Fun Dartmouth College Facts:

- Founded in 1769 by a Connecticut resident
- 9th oldest college in the US
- Has its own ski area
- Graduates earn higher median salaries
- Dr. Seuss graduated in 1925
- Mission statement: Educates the most promising students and prepares them for a lifetime of learning and responsible leadership.

Welcome!

Team Dartmouth 2013-2014



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Do Not Duplicate

IC Period-Illing Connections
Small group activities including

- *Team Building*
- *Student Success Plans*
- *Guided Work*
- *Positive Behavior Activities*
- *SSR(Silent Sustained Reading)*

Student Responsibilities:

In order to ensure the highest achievement possible and the best educational experience possible, it is expected that students will demonstrate the Illing STARS's...

Scholarly

Truthful

Aware

Respectful

Safe

Most of all...Ready to Learn!



Homework Club

The teachers voluntarily provide assistance every Thursday afternoon from dismissal time to approximately 3:45 pm. A late bus is available at that time. At least two academic teachers are available to help during these times. If you would like to prearrange additional assistance from a specific teacher please feel free to do so and please contact that teacher directly.

Welcome Dartmouth!
Go, BIG Green!

Welcome to Dartmouth! We are looking forward to an exciting and positive start this year.

The students will be provided with an agenda/planner, which will be a critical tool in keeping our middle schoolers organized and successful. This is a tool for recording homework everyday for every subject.

We will be rewarding responsible students with planner points on Fridays if they obtain a parent/guardian signature. These points can be applied to assignments in all academic areas. Please check the planner regularly to see what's going on in your child's classes.

Feel free to communicate with us through notes in the planner, by phone in the main office, or the provided e-mails. Your child can look forward to an academically challenging and fun school year.

Some field trips we are planning for this year are: Gay City State Park, and Lake Compounce.



Introducing our Professional Team

Integrated Language Arts

Ms. Sarah Burdacki

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Ms. Burdacki loves to travel

&

Ms. Valerie Nobilio

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Ms. Nobilio is a nature lover and lion tamer!

Math

Ms. Michelle Levenduski

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Ms. Levenduski loves Italian Dunkers!

Science

Mr. Matt Schardt

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Mr. Schardt has a cat named Sebastian!

Social Studies/Team Leader

Mrs. Noelle Avakian

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Mrs. Avakian loves coaching sports!

Co-Teacher/Special Education

Mrs. Tina Klopfer

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Mrs. Klopfer is a shopping queen!

Paraprofessional

Mrs. Maria McCarthy

Loves to spend time with her grandchildren!

