



PBL Expo...

The Meigs Sixth Grade PBL Expo will be the week of February 9-13. All sixth grade students are participating in this grade level PBL (project based learning) unit by responding to a driving question. The driving question for 2015's PBL is: "Nashville was given the moniker 'Athens of the South' in the 19th Century. How do we promote Nashville as the 'Athens of the South' in the 21st Century?" As the month-long study continues, students will learn all about the legacies of Ancient Greece (Athens), learn about propaganda techniques, continue learning how to state a claim and support it, learn about scale and the golden ratio among many other connected topics. Students' challenge of creating a print ad or video PSA will be included in their 2-minute presentation the week of February 9. Along with this challenge, students will be presented with a high-level overview of some ways they could approach the question and rubrics of how they will be assessed on the learning process and final product. More details are on Mr. P's PBL webpage. Students will keep all information and documentation in their PBL binder in the appropriate section. Mrs. Parks has created a working LibGuide that has all rubrics and details needed.

To access that site, visit <http://www.flyparsons.org/PBL.html>

PBL Binder Guidelines:	PBL Calendar:
Binder is to have six section dividers	1/23: Cornell notes due (graded)
Research	1/26: Begin essay writing (in class)
Social studies	1/30: Essay (rough draft) due
Literacy	2/02: Storyboards (check-in)
Math	2/04: Storyboards due
Rubrics	2/09: Essay due
Reflection	2/10: Presentation & Project due
	2/17: Begin math scale drawing project
	3/03: Scale drawing project due

Pizza Party...

Students will be able to earn points to a pizza party Friday, January 30. Each evening students showing their diligence to their IXL practice through Edmodo will earn a point per subject (math and literacy). Students who earn 15 points by Friday, January 30 will eat pizza! A special thanks to LiveSchool who will be providing the incentive pizza!



From Mr. P...

1. **HFA TUTORING:** Wednesday, January 21 from 3:30pm-4:30pm
2. **TOP TYPISTS:** Emmanuela Ekwo is currently our top typist at 77 wpm. Kelsey Amberson completed 46 exercises last week- the most in our class!

3. **TUTORING:** Using IXL data, Mr. P will be asking small student groups to stay after school for re-teaching and review to make sure everyone is prepared for TCAP in April. Be on the look-out for those notices starting the week of January 26.
4. **MEIGSGREEKS:** Students, when you see an example of Ancient Greek influence in Nashville, take a quick photo if possible. Tweet that photo with the hashtag #MeigsGreeks. At the same time, post it on Edmodo for those who might not be able to access Twitter!

Due Dates...

Details for all of these activities are being discussed in class this week. More information may be found on the class HW page. Check the Project Planner for specific details.

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| 1. DUE: 01.23.15 | Supermarket Prices Challenge |
| 2. DUE: 01.27.15 | 4-H posters |
| 3. DUE: 02.09.15 | PBL |
| 4. DUE: 02.23.15 | Groovy Greeks Glogster |
| 5. DUE: 03.03.15 | PBL Building/Park Scale Drawings |

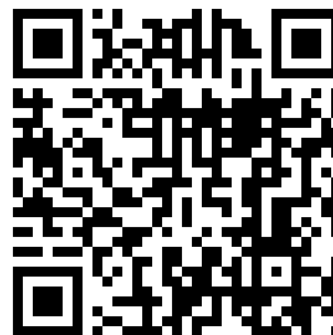
Mr. P's Student of the Week!

January 21-23, 2015: **Samavathey Nhon**

Next week's student of the week. . . **Viggo Pile**

Mr. P's Class Calendar Up Close!

01.23.15	Supermarket Challenge DUE...
01.26.15	Astonnie's Birthday!
01.26.15	Spelling & Vocab Tests #14
01.26.15	Drew's Birthday!
01.27.15	4H posters...
01.28.15	Sam's Birthday!
01.30.15	GENERAL STORE...
01.30.15	PIZZA PARTY...
01.30.15	Essay (rough draft) DUE...
02.02.15	Retake Forms DUE...
02.04.15	Enrichment Wednesday...
02.04.15	Storyboards DUE...
02.09.15	PBL DUE...
02.23.15	Groovy Greeks Glogster DUE...



\$10 Meigs Moolah Secret Word & Additional Info:

<http://www.flyparsons.org/notehome.html>

WEBSITE EXTRAS!

This Week's SECRET WORD (January 20):

\$10MM: NOTE HOME SECRET WORD = "GREECE"

Mr. P's SECRET INFORMATION LEAK:

WWW.FLYPARSONS.ORG/EVERYBODYSOMEBODY.HTML

TEAM SHIRTS...

Our class will wear our super-cool class shirts on Friday, January 23. Be stylin' that day! We will wear them again the following Friday, January 30. The class shirts show just how cool our class really is!



[GRADESPEED]: REMINDERS...

UPDATE! Gradespeed.com will update by 7PM, January 21. The updates will reflect the past week. Late work has been recorded as of January 21. Notice any missing assignments? Please submit them each week with the Tuesday Folder Sheet.

A Special Coupon...

Print and clip this coupon below for a special **REWARD**. To get the reward, please obtain a parent's signature that states your parent has checked gradespeed.com.

COUPON

Student's Name _____

Parent's Signature _____

Date: _____ Secret Word: _____

MEIGS' MISSION STATEMENT...

We are an academic middle school for 5th to 8th grade students. Our mission is to provide a liberal arts curriculum that will allow our capable learners to perform at high standards of academic and social development.

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