



Tuesday, January 31...

Today's issue of the class newsletter, **Mr. P's Note Home**, will be online only. Any student who is unable to access it, please let Mr. P know so you may obtain a paper copy. There are also several quizzes being returned in the Tuesday Folder today. Students need to make corrections to improve any grade below a 75. Please check Infinite Campus for the latest grades and also check the Tuesday Signature sheet for this nine week's effort grades. The next retake date is Wednesday, February 8.

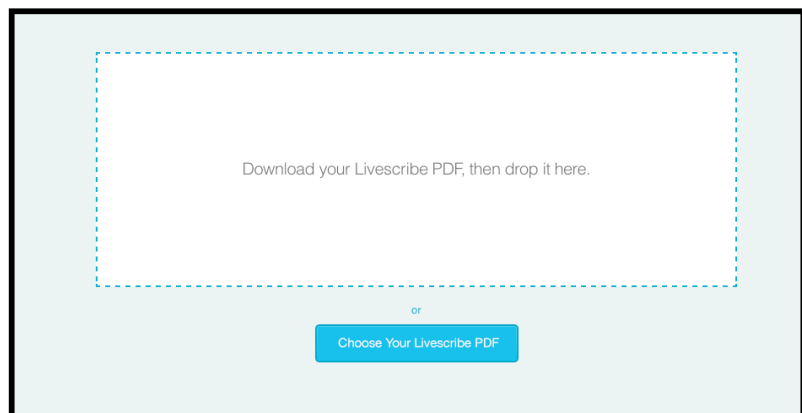
4-H Poster Contest Class Contest...

Mr. P's class presented art posters at the January 4-H meeting. Congrats to the following first place winners: Erin Arizala, Ben Frey, Lilli Hall, and Veronica Rodriguez. Each of these winning posters will travel on to the county 4-H art poster contest. Congrats to second place winners Kiana Gilkes and Francesco Messina. Placing third in the contest are Edvin Covic, Rachel Herron, and Gretchen Walker. Thanks to all students in our class for participating!

Parsons' Pencasts...

Mr. P's pencasts give you a great opportunity to listen and learn after class is over or if you miss class! LiveScribe has a new way of saving pencasts. To listen to a pencast from Mr. P, you may either install the LiveScribe+ app on your device or go to the online LiveScribe Player at www.livescribe.com/player. Be sure your Internet browser is up to date to use the LiveScribe player. To watch, simply download the pencast you want to hear from

<http://pencasts.weebly.com>
and then drag it into the box on the LiveScribe Player webpage. NOTE: If you click on the LiveScribe Player link and the webpage doesn't have a box, your browser is out of date and needs updating. Notice the snapshot of what the LiveScribe Player webpage looks like online.



Sign Up to Help Out!

Our class is need of a little help. We are still in need of snacks for our daily snack box. Sign up for snacks at: <http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0A4FAEAF29A31-snack>

From Mr. P...

1. **TOP TYPISTS:** Both Edvin Covic and JaVaughn Perry are our top typists at 71 wpm this week. Edvin Covic completed 165 exercises last week- the most in our class! JaVaughn was in second place in typing exercises. THANKS!
2. **TYPINGWEB:** A big congrats to Mr. P's class for making 100% this week! Every student in our class met the weekly requirements for TypingWeb! Our class has made that milestone sixteen weeks so far this year.
3. **THANKS! Mrs. Rodriguez and Mrs. Hall:** Your volunteer work in the classroom is greatly appreciated! We could not do it without your help!
4. **GRADES:** Look for grades to be updated as of January 31 at 7PM.
5. **DUE: SCHOLASTIC READING CLUB ONLINE ORDERING:**
 - (1) **REGISTER/SIGN-IN** at scholastic.com/readingclub
 - (2) **ENTER** the one-time class activation code: **GLW2M** (for Mr. P's class)
6. **DUE DATES:** The weather and the supermarket due dates have been extended by one week.
7. **PHOTOS:** Check out the latest photos from our class. To view the class photos, go to the website and click on "galleries." Inside there, click on 2016-2017.

Mr. P's Student of the Week!

January 30- February 3, 2017: **Virginia Huddleston**

Next week's student of the week. . . **Brianna Keating- Rendon**

Items to Bring!

- Red Tuesday Folder Signature Chart...
- NEEDED! General Store + snack items...

Mr. P's Class Calendar Up Close!

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| 02.01.17 | Enrichment Wednesday... |
| 02.03.17 | Wear class shirts... |
| 02.03.17 | DUE: TypingWeb (by the end of the day)... |
| 02.03.17 | GENERAL STORE (8:00AM) |
| 02.06.17 | DUE: MobyMax & IXL/ALEKS sheets... |
| 02.06.17 | SPELLING TEST #13 & VOCABULARY TEST #13... |
| 02.06.17 | DUE: Groovy Greeks... |
| 02.08.17 | PROGRESS REPORTS... |
| 02.08.17 | GREAT + Enrichment Wednesday... |
| 02.10.17 | DUE: Weathercast (DUE DATE EXTENDED)... |
| 02.17.17 | DUE: Supermarket Challenge (DUE DATE EXTENDED)... |
| 02.24.17 | DUE: Propaganda activities... |
| 03.03.17 | DUE: Persuasive essay... |

\$5 Meigs Moolah Secret Word & Additional Info:

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

WEBSITE EXTRAS!

This Week's SECRET WORD (January 31):

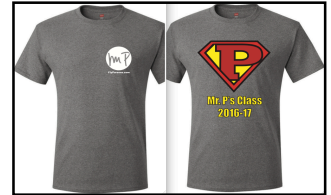
NOTE HOME SECRET WORD = "ANCIENT GREECE"

Mr. P's Class Motto:

"I CAN AND I WILL!"

TEAM SHIRTS...

Our class will wear our super-cool class shirts on Friday, February 3. Be stylin' that day! We will wear them again the following Friday, Feb. 10. Class shirts show just how cool our class really is!



[INFINITE CAMPUS]: REMINDERS...

UPDATE! Infinite Campus grades will update by 7PM, Jan. 31. The updates will reflect the past week. Late work has been recorded as of Jan. 31. Notice any missing assignments? Please submit them each week with the Tuesday Folder Sheet.

LiveSchool Class Points:

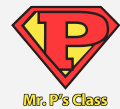
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A Special Coupon...

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 Infinite Campus.

COUPON



Student's Name _____

Parent's Signature _____

Date: _____ Secret Word: _____

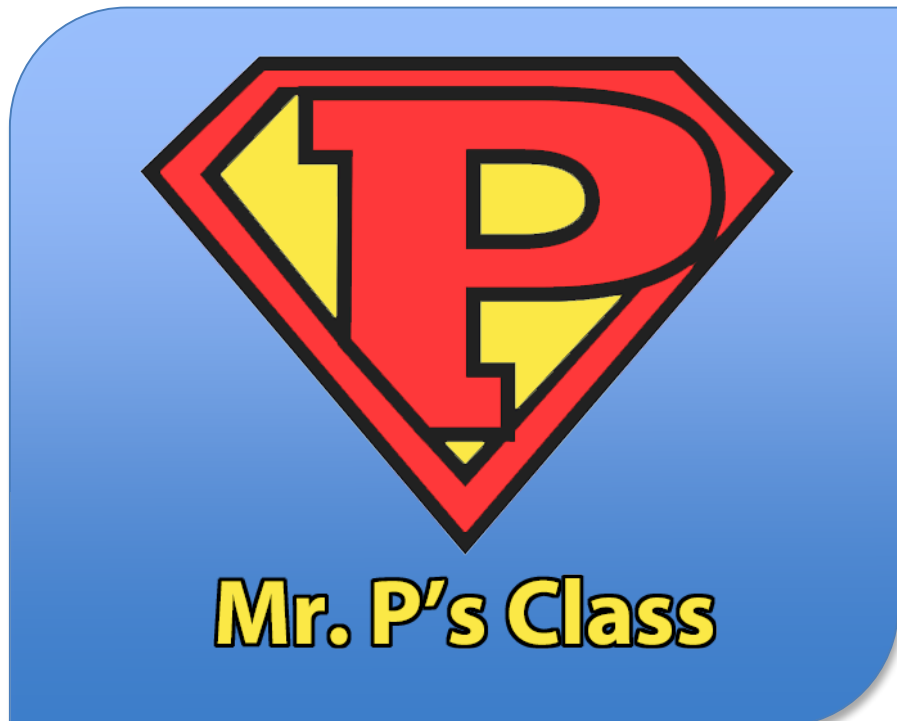
Reminders ...

Classroom participation and effort is important to academic success. All class procedures fit under our three norms of being respectful, responsible and resourceful! Thank you to all of the students who faithfully follow directions and strive for excellence. The following list is a reminder of some expectations outlined in August.

- Listen to ALL directions the first time given...
- Be sure to refrain from off-task talking...
- Devices: stay on task or lose it for the day...
- Food and trash make messes...
- Be responsive and respectful in hallway lines...
- Reflections must be completed daily...
- Pencil + Paper cost \$5 class cash...
- Make sure devices & ear buds in class everyday...
- Go to the restroom at breaks- don't waste class time unnecessarily...
- Be ready to start the day at 7:55AM...

DUE ON TIME:

- Reflections
- Agenda
- TypingWeb
- IXL/ALEKS/MOBY sheets due Monday AM completed!
- Tuesday Sheet
- HW
- Tech Task



DID YOU KNOW?

Infinite Campus...

Students now have access to Infinite Campus. By going to <https://campus.mnps.org>, and using the MNPS username + P/W, students have access to grades, attendance, records, etc. A reminder of login information is below.

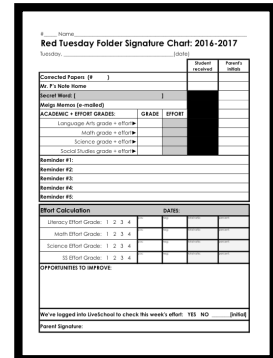
USERNAME: (Full First Name, First Letter of Last Name, Last 5 Digits of ID number).

Example: Username for John Q. Public
ID number 190012345

Username: JohnP12345

Password: 190012345

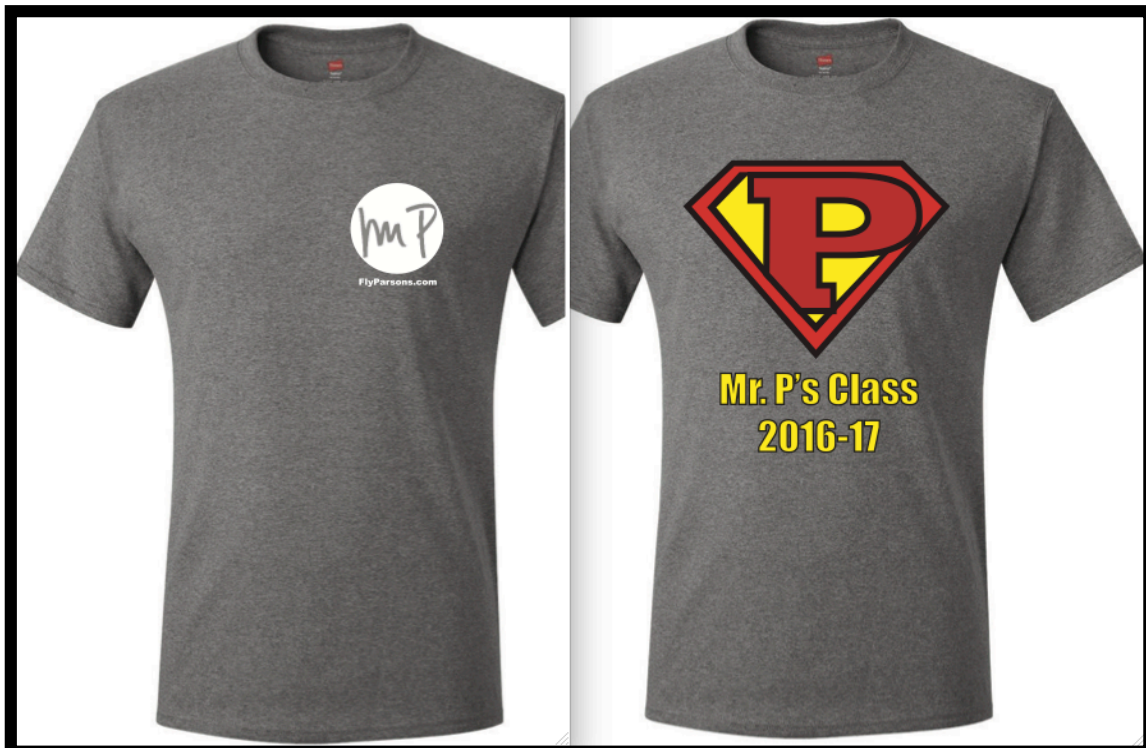
There is an app for Infinite Campus as well. The code is: **XYPFWS**.



The image shows a 'Red Tuesday Folder Signature Chart: 2014-2017'. It is a grid with columns for 'Parent', 'Student', and 'Teacher'. The rows are organized by semester: Semester I, Semester II, Semester III, and Semester IV. Each semester has a section for 'ACADEMIC + EFFORT GRADES' with sub-rows for 'Language Arts grade + effort', 'Math grade + effort', 'Science grade + effort', and 'Social Studies grade + effort'. Below this is an 'Effort Calculation' table with columns for 'DATE' and rows for 'History Effort Grade: 1 2 3 4', 'Math Effort Grade: 1 2 3 4', 'Science Effort Grade: 1 2 3 4', and 'SS Effort Grade: 1 2 3 4'. At the bottom, there is a section for 'APPROPRIATE TO SIGNATURE' and a footer that says 'We've logged into LiveSchool to check this week's effort! YES NO (initials)' and 'Parent Signature'.

Tuesdays...

Students should fill out the Tuesday Signature Sheet (pink) and review it with parents every Tuesday evening. Students are to go to <https://campus.mnps.org> to view grades and then go to LiveSchool to check out assignment behaviors. Those behaviors make up the effort grade. Mr. P is guiding students on how to figure out the assignment ratio, which makes up each effort grade. On the Tuesday sheet, there is a space to record both grades and effort. The Tuesday sheet has a place to plan for retakes, re-dos, and missing assignments. All Tuesday sheets are to be returned on Wednesdays.



Retakes in Mr. P's Class...

Students may fill out the back of the Tuesday sheet each week as a way of planning for any retakes he/she might want to do. Retake days are on enrichment Wednesdays. To re-take a test, students are to attach the original test to the item analysis form and the intervention that's been used to correct the un-mastered assessed skills. A parent's signature is also needed. The retake forms are found in a vertical file in the classroom. Each particular form is color coded for easy access. Literacy retake forms are yellow; math retake forms are white; science retake forms are green; and SS retake forms are blue. To see the forms go to <http://www.flyparsons.org/retakes.html>. **FYI:** quizzes are found at the class assessment website. Go to parsonsassessments.weebly.com.

There are some "retakes" that do not require the retake form since the purpose of retakes is to master 6th grade skills, not correct poor habits of study and perseverance with assignments.

1. To revisit a low grade on Scholastic News and TFK, students are to write a paragraph for each missed question stating the correct answer and support it with the text.
2. To get a retake grade on a low spelling test, students are to write each missed word correctly 10-15 times to help reinforce the correct spelling of the word.
3. To get a retake grade on a low vocab test, students are to write the full dictionary.com definition to each missed word 5 times each. Hopefully this will motivate students to be diligent in preparation for weekly tests. Mr. P has Quizlet available for the entire week leading up to these tests. Students who do not procrastinate and utilize the Quizlet resources throughout the week typically score significantly higher compared to waiting until the night before the test.



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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