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Hello St. Dennis families! My name is Ms. Alissa Kurek and I am the new 8<sup>th</sup> grade teacher. I have posted below our scheduled plans for this week. If you have any questions, please email me at [akurek@tds.net](mailto:akurek@tds.net). Thank you!

**Algebra:**

- 1.1. – variables
- 1.2 – Order of Operations
- 1.3 – Unit Rates and creating algebraic expressions from verbal phrases
- Quiz on 1.1-1.3 on Thursday

**Language Arts 8:**

- What makes a complete sentence
- Different types of sentences (review)
- Complete subject/predicate vs. Simple subject/predicate

**Language Arts 7:**

- Review Common and Proper Nouns and verbs
- What makes a complete sentence
- Complete Subject/predicate vs. Simple subject/predicate
- Sentence diagramming – simple subject/predicate only

**Social Studies 6:**

- Family Crest
- Discuss world influences on people
- Geography – 5 things geographers focus on
- Land, Water, Climate – research a natural disaster and how it affected the world when it happened and how it affects the world today

**7/8 Reading:**

- Discuss Science-fiction characteristics
- Each student was given a schedule for our first book, Flowers for Algernon – this schedule includes what their reading assignments are and what the homework is for the next several weeks.
- This week they will read Progress Reports (similar to chapters) 1 -11.

**Social Studies 8:**

- The First Americans – first to live in America, how they got here and survived
- Cities and Empires – The Maya, Aztec, and Inca
- North American People – the different Native American tribes and their culture