

SIXTH GRADE NEWS #5

October 7, 2005

DATES TO REMEMBER

Timeline for Wax Museum	October 6
Starry Night	October 7
Ten to fifteen adjectives/ nouns/ quotes for Wax Museum	October 10
Three to five graphics for Wax Museum	October 14
ECO Overnight	October 12, 13, & 14
Three –paragraph report for Wax Museum	October 24
Costumes, props, and display boards due	October 27
Living History Wax Museum	October 28

Wax Museum Costumes: If your child is borrowing a costume from the Costume Closet at Traut, please make sure you return the complete costume, after the event, in a bag with your child's name on the bag. Also, if the costume became soiled, please check with Pat Bagley about washing or having it cleaned.

Starry Night (8:30-10:00 p.m., Friday, October 7th) is our annual astronomy evening event at the Observatory Village telescope led by FRCC astronomer Mike Smith. Mike provides wonderful background knowledge and commentary while allowing us to view many celestial objects such as: binary stars, galaxies, star clusters, nebulae, and planets. Join us with your sixth grader and other children if you can for this evening. It's a fun and fascinating way to tie together much of our astronomy unit content. See our website link if you need directions to Observatory Village.

The Sixth Grade ECO Trip (Wednesday-Friday, October 12th-14th) is coming right up! On Wednesday, October 12th, please bring your child to school at the regular time with all the supplies listed below. This is the same list sent out before, but we've added a flashlight to the list. Please also make sure that your child has good, sturdy, mountain-worthy shoes or boots that have been tested for comfort ahead of time to avoid blisters and other discomfort on the hike. We've seen excellent shoes and other mountain clothing at the thrift stores around town, so you don't have to spend a fortune on these useful supplies.

Medications for ECO: Make sure you send the necessary medications in a baggie with the child's name and directions. The nurse on duty at Pingree Park will be administering these medications unless you have spoken to the staff, or you have worked out some other arrangement. These medications need to be turned in to our Health Tech, Jana Frei. Mrs. Frei will collect the medications on the morning we leave for Pingree down by our sixth grade classrooms.

This is the *THINGS TO BRING ON THE ECO TRIP* note distributed two weeks ago with the addition of one new item: A FLASHLIGHT!!

Pack all overnight items in a small overnight bag or duffel bag.

ECO packet (to be supplied at school)

Pens (only 2)

Closed toe shoes or boots (good, sturdy, comfortable)

Layered clothing including long pants (No shorts!)

Sack lunch for Wednesday, Oct. 12

Daypack (comfortable, not a roller type) with 2 full water bottles, sunscreen, rain gear, jacket, large plastic bag, and healthy snacks to cover 3 days

Pillowcase

Toiletries, towel, washcloth

Sleeping bag

Flashlight

Also---If your child has them, bring small binoculars and a standard orienteering compass

Have a good weekend,
Your Sixth Grade Team