

Further and detailed information will be presented in Curriculum Night presentation.
Wednesday, September 13
6:30 - 8:00

Lots of info found on our websites tool

Curriculum

Math: data displays & number systems, fraction operations & ratios, decimal operations & percent, algebraic expressions & equations, area & volume, variables & algebraic relationships

Social Studies: Mapping Skills, Ancient Civilizations of Latin America, Geography of Canada, United States, Latin America, Europe, Russia, Antarctica and Oceania

Science: Investigating & modeling body systems, chemical processes in digestion, what plants need to grow, the water cycle, AWIM

Reading: Social Issues Book Clubs, Tapping the Power of Nonfiction, Fantasy Book Clubs

Writing: Personal Narratives, Creative Narratives, Literary Essay, Research-Based Informational Writing

Grammar/Word Study: Punctuation, Sentences, Nouns, Verbs, Pronouns, Greek and Latin Roots

FLEX time: Executive Functioning Skills, Organization, Independent Practice, Self-Assessment, Goal Setting, Identifying Key Learning, Enrichment and/or Remediation Activities

Daily Schedule

	Robertson Homeroom	Worthing Homeroom
8:50-12:15	Math & Science Block Encore 9:56 - 10:56	Language Arts & Social Studies Block Encore 9:56 - 10:56
12:15-12:45	STAR/FLEX	
12:45-1:20	C LUNCH	
2:25-2:57	Language Arts & Social Studies Block	Math & Science Block

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Welcome to



Mrs. Worthing's & Mrs. Robertson's

Homerooms at

Maltby Intermediate School

Beginning sixth grade is an exciting step forward in your child's education. We will do our best to help them transition as the days and weeks progress.

We've tried to include some of the most important information about our procedures in this brochure. We will be going over all this and more with your children over the next several weeks.

Please feel free to call or email with any questions.



Homeroom: Your child will spend more than half of every day with their homeroom teacher. While your child will participate in both whole team and cross-classroom activities this year, on most days they will travel exclusively with their homeroom. You should feel free to contact either of your child's teachers with content specific questions or concerns, but your child's homeroom teacher will be the one who handles general issues.

Classroom Supplies: While everything that your child needs to learn will be provided for them, a list of suggested supplies and needed donations was available at registration. Let us know if you didn't get one. Students will be required to store their personal supplies in their lockers, as our desks in 6th grade are not designed for storage, and this practice helps them to prepare for 7th grade. A white board outside each classroom will list what they will need to bring to class each day.

Daily Snacks/Water Bottles: Please have your child pack a water bottle every day. We will have a time designated for a morning snack every day. Please try to pack something healthy and avoid snacks containing nuts to keep those with allergies safe. We do not allow candy, pop, juice, Gatorade, etc.

Planners: Planners are used on a daily basis and are a vital organization tool for students. Assignments are posted in the classrooms and on the classroom websites. Students are expected to copy assignments and due dates in their planners every day. We encourage you to check your student's planner, although we do not require daily parent signatures, as required in many 5th grade classrooms, unless organization/homework completion becomes an issue for your child.

Websites: Check teacher websites frequently for important announcements, useful links, homework help, classroom handouts and a daily assignment calendar.

Google Classroom: Google Classroom will be used for delivery of some assignments and digital activities. Also, in the event that any student is absent for any length of time, it will be the main way that work will be delivered to your child.

Parent Connect: We highly recommend you check parent connect, the online grading program, weekly to keep track of your child's progress in their classes. You can sign up to have updates auto-sent to your email address.

REMIND.COM: Text @MaltbyWR to the number 81010 to receive text message reminders about important happenings on the Worthing/Robertson team.

Email: E-mail is our preferred means of communication. We check our email as often as instruction allows, and always at least once a day. However, please be aware that communication that is especially time sensitive, like changes in bussing or pick-up procedures, must go through the office.

Planning Time: This year Mrs. Robertson and Mrs. Worthing have a planning hour from 9:56 – 10:56. We are usually able to read emails or return phone calls during this time. We will always answer your questions and/or address any concerns as soon as possible.

MIS "DOGS tags": We will establish team rules and norms together with the students during the first few weeks of school. We also follow the Maltby "DOGS Tag" program to encourage daily positive behavior and good choices.

Conferencing: Because our top priority is to prepare and deliver quality instruction, we ask you to prearrange visits and conference times. This will ensure adequate time for your concerns to be addressed and allow us an opportunity to prepare for the meeting. We know how important your children are and are always willing to make arrangements to talk with you. Fall conferences usually occur in early November. Please look for information about how to schedule this conference in mid-October.

Attendance/Illness: We thank you in advance for being diligent about keeping your child home if they show any signs of illness. For absences of one or two days, please reference the website calendars and Google Classroom. For absences of more than two days due to illness, please also have your child email their teachers for more detailed instructions. Work will not be provided in advance of absences due to vacations, but will be posted daily on the website calendars and Google Classroom.

Encore Schedule: Encores will run on a quarterly schedule this year. On A Days students will rotate through Art, P.E., Spanish & STEM. On B Days, students will have their year long choice of Band, Orchestra, Music or Year-Long P.E.

