**For the week of March 10-14, 2014**

Middle School News at Imagine West

**This Week:**

**Monday**

Welcome Back!

Progress Reports Distributed

**Tuesday**

ISTEP+ Math

**Wednesday**

ISTEP+ Language Arts

**Thursday**

ISTEP+ Language Arts

Signed Progress Reports Due

**Friday**

The weekend is here!!!

**Class Websites:**

<http://imaginemath.weebly.com/>

**Phone Extensions:**

Hall – 140

Harpold – 201

Hamilton – 227

This week your child will be taking the ISTEP+ Applied Skills tests, so it is very important that they get plenty of rest and arrive to school on time. We have stressed the importance of these tests, and have advised everyone to do their best!

**\*\*\*UNIFORM Reminder\*\*\*** - The school uniform is black or khaki pants with a gold, white, or purple polo shirt. A **solid** sweatshirt **without a hood** can be worn over a uniform shirt. Students are not allowed to wear scarves, hats, or other clothing accessories.

***English Language Arts (Mrs. Harpold) –***

Students have been preparing for ISTEP+ testing by completing their writing prompt each Thursday. They are practicing how to organize their work on ISTEP+ by using a graphic organizer for each type of writing strategy. In addition, students have written character essays for the Imagine Schools, Inc. contest. In the next few weeks, we will be learning about famous diaries, journalism, and publishing your own work.

***Math (Mrs. Hamilton) –***

Students have been working hard in Math in preparation for ISTEP, and all classes are working in our ALEKS program. ALEKS is a large part of your child’s math grade and can be accessed anywhere with an internet connection. Over the next few weeks we will work on putting important Math concepts in tune to selected instrumental music in the form of videos. Stay tuned for the final products!!!!

***Character Education (Mr. Hall) –***

Students have been learning about several character traits this quarter. Some of those traits include trustworthiness, respect, and teamwork.

As always, please feel free to reach out to us with any questions, comments, or concerns.

**Have a wonderful week!**

**Mrs. Harpold, Mrs. Hamilton, & Mr. Hall**

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