

Good morning Sarasota Middle School Today is Monday, January 14, 2019



A few words of wisdom to start your day-

Everyone has times he or she struggles to understand something, whether it's a classroom lesson, a job that needs to be done, or a choice that has to be made. Struggle seems to be a part of life. When we are struggling, we are usually trying as hard as we know how to work through some difficulty. That sounds like it's a bad thing, doesn't it? Actually, there's a good side to any struggle.

Now listen to these words from Frederick Douglass:

If there is no struggle, there is no progress.

In other words, a struggle is an opportunity to move forward in life, to break through a barrier, to turn a stumbling block into a stepping stone. If you're struggling with something, remember, you don't have to struggle alone. Believe it or not, your teacher and counselors have had some experience with struggling. Talk to them (us). They (We) want to help.

Attention students-the SMS FBLA will be hosting a fundraiser today at Panera. Join us from 4-8 at Panera on Bee Ridge and Cattleman today to help us raise money for our events. See any FBLA member or Mrs. Moriarty for a flier.

Calling all Panther Fans-Your Sarasota Middle School Panthers will be facing Booker Middle School tonight right here at SMS! Games start at 6pm. And remember-students will not be permitted to bring backpacks into the gym.

Attention students-come and join us for the next book club meeting on Wednesday, January 16. The book club meets in Ms. Boyle's room #601 at 8:15. Hope to see you there!

Web Leaders will have a meeting during lunch on tomorrow, January 15th in the Café Lounge. We will be discussing volunteer opportunities coming up in January. Students who attend the meeting will be given priority for the volunteer opportunities.

Sarasota Middle School will host our Geography Bee on Friday, January 18th.

Congratulations to the top 10 scorers on today's qualifying quiz:

<u>STUDENT</u>	<u>TEACHER</u>
Suyash Mishra	Smisor
Nicolas Cortes	Morrison
Alexander Olson	Jaso
Eileen Ni	Kaiser
Morgan Watkins	Forbes
John Ehlers	Bertelson
Jake Walker	Holmes
Pierre Michel W	Teal
Trent Ford	Fauvel
Ben Moyal	Schimek

The wonderful alternates are all 6th graders:

Morgan Martin	Sams
Silas Powers	Tateosian
Kaden Christenson	Kitson

They are invited to attend the Geo Bee as Alternates, and they will still receive certificates for their accomplishment of winning their classroom GeoBee.

All busses have arrived on time and all students should be in their 1st period class at this time.

Students, remember our Panther Pact: be Polite, Prepared, Productive and Safe!

Have an amazing Monday!