## DECEMBER

The International School



A Recap...

Hello and welcome to the New Year everyone! I trust and hope that everyone enjoyed a relaxing and memorable break filled with plenty of family time. Though a New Year has begun, looking back at the year so far, so much has been accomplished! As the New Year, and new semester commences, let's take a quick look back at what was completed in December. In English, we finished The Outsiders and worked with our Keystone books on the topic of "Explorers and Exploration". Focusing mainly on Greek stories from antiquity, the unit builds upon core language and grammatical skills. For me, the Keystone units focus on core skills, while novels are intended to be a further application of the skills. In the New Year, we will be finishing this unit, and continuing with Keystone for another unit before the Winter Break. In Science, we began our understanding of structures and the forces that affect a way that a structure is made. We looked at some structures in nature, and compared them with man made structures, analyzing the types of shapes that can be designed to manage forces affectively. In math, we began to wrap up our unit on percentages, and will be finishing this unit into the New Year. In Social Studies, we learned about the American War of Independence in great depth and detail, and will be continuing this topic into the New Year. Thank you all once again for a wonderful first semester, I look forward to working with you all into the New Year

Mr. John Marchione



UPCOMING EVENTS & IMPORTANT DATES

Parent-Teacher End of Semester

Meetings

15/01/20

English KeyStone Unit Test 16/01/20

Math Unit Test 23/01/20