

Mr. Riley's October Class Update

Grade 7



What a spooky and productive month we've had!

In language arts

We read about many world issues like recycling, biofuel, and advancements in computer technology. We experienced a new and interesting world learning about the gangs of New York during the nineteen-fifties while reading *The Outsiders*. Everyone seems to be making great improvements in their speaking and reading abilities!

In science

We learned about the wonderful world of evolution. Animals and habitats evolve in such brilliant and interesting ways in response to their environments. We also learned about economics and the effects of different businesses on the environment. Many were surprised to learn about what really happens when plastic is recycled.

In social studies

We learned about how important it is to respect local customs and traditions when you visit another country. Learning about the world gives us many exciting opportunities to expand our vocabulary!

In mathematics

We learned about multiples and factors, as well as cartesian coordinates. We played a game of Battleship (a game where coordinates are used to sink the opponent's ship), and had a great deal of fun using new knowledge. Learning how to use English to describe high level mathematical concepts makes students feel smarter and more confident in their language abilities.

In conclusion

We had a great October! I hope that everyone has a wonderful November and learns a lot of new vocabulary!

