

Dear Parents and Students,

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce ourselves and welcome you to sixth grade at Stetson Hills. We are pleased and honored to be teaching your children in the sixth grade, and we have many plans for guiding your children on their sixth grade learning journey.

The sixth grade teachers will be using emails to communicate with students and parents of important dates: tests, field trips, conferences, pictures... **Please check your emails regularly, and be sure that your correct email is in PowerSchools.** You can make corrections with the Front Office.

In Mr. Velie's Social Studies class, we study the Ancient World Civilizations and the political, economic, social, and cultural characteristics, and often tie it into our own civilization.

Ms. Harmon's math curriculum challenges our students to go beyond basic skills and apply these skills to problem solving activities in real-world situations.

In Mrs. Duran's Language Arts class, her goal is helping students to be more critical readers as they move through a variety of genres. Students will have ample opportunities to read and discuss fiction as well as non-fiction text tied to the curriculum.

If you enjoy science, Mrs. Russell's classroom is the place to be! You will be learning about physical sciences, space, constellations, Earth-Moon-Sun relationships, and ecosystems with hands-on investigations using Engineering and Technology Practices.

Sixth grade is an exciting time as students emerge as "middle school students" with unique social, emotional, and academic characteristics. We look forward to working together with you to prepare for the transition to middle school!

Smiles,

The Sixth Grade Team