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Journalism, Period 1

5th Grade Paper

Good to Know

Humanities

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 Unlike seventh and eighth graders, sixth graders are required to take a Humanities block due to the absence of a foreign language class. Humanities block consists of three periods, two of English and one of Social Studies.

 Humanities helps sixth graders to adjust to the MBMS schedule of switching classes. Because they only have to switch classes 4 times instead of 6 times a day, switching classes is less stressful and easier on sixth graders. Also, they only have five teachers instead of seven, which amounts to less homework since three of their classes are combined.

 The first two periods of Humanities teaches the basics of writing, spelling, grammar, and literary analysis. Books covered during the year are “The Cay”, “Tuck Everlasting”, and “Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimh” are some of the books all sixth graders have read in the past. Other books, such as “Nothing But the Truth”, “The View from Saturday”, and “Legend of Sleepy Hollow”, are books that could be read due to the teacher’s choice. Essays are written throughout the year on multiple topics.

 The final period of Humanities covers ancient history. Students learn about ancient man, Mesopotamia, Egypt, Israel, India, China, Greece, Persia, and Rome.