Week of Jan 13th

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Learning together • Working hard • Having fun • Developing character

"Watch your thoughts; for they become words. Watch your words' for they become actions. Watch your actions; for they become habits. Watch your habits; for they become character. Watch your character for it will become your destiny." Frank Outlaw A few years ago I signed up to receive a quote a day from the website "Pass It On", a great site that focus on character and just being a good human being. I thought I would start each weekly note with one of the 5 quotes I received throughout the week. We are constantly working on developing good character at GMS and in my classroom, so these quotes are often very fitting. Have a good weekend and stay warm and safe during the

winter storm on Saturday and Sunday. Karen

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Math

Over the past week we finished our measurement unit test on Monday and then had a brain break and did some math games on Tuesday. On Thursday we started our "Language of Geometry" note and will jump in to that unit with both feet starting on Tuesday next week. Looking ahead ... on we will continue with the language of geometry a and work through the proper notation and descriptions of lines. Later in the week I hope to review angles and the use of a protractor. It is my intention to have all Math tests marked and handed back by the end of next week. Some students will need to meet with me at recesses and review measurement and complete extra practice before rewriting the measurement test to show me that they have a clear understanding of the difference between area and perimeter.

## Music (EMF7B)

This week students were handed their first band piece! I expect that you will begin hearing it at home (it is similar to something you might hear at a hockey game). Looking ahead... we will continue to work through the notation and "musical road map" to play through the song. <u>PLEASE remind</u> <u>students to bring their instruments on TUESDAYS -</u> <u>many are still forgetting.</u>

English

**Over the past week** students continued to do research for their culminating assignment called Top Stories of the Decade. They are excited about this assignment (phew!) and some are already finished! There is really no right or wrong answer but students will have to convince me of their choices by using some well thought out reasoning. The assignment is in Google Classroom and students will be giving a 4-5 minute oral presentation (marked just like a TUSC presentation) during the last week of January. The presentation dates are also listed in Google Classroom. **Looking ahead...** students will have one more class to work on their top story, they will be working on some current news issues and we will be discussing genres of literature.

On my website this week you will find: • TUSC roles for January 22 & 29th On Google Classroom this week you will find: • Top Stories of the Decade - Presentation Dates

• Top Stories of the Decade - DUE: week of Jan 27th

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