



AN ISLAND EXPLORATION

DEAR PARENTS, TEACHERS, AND PEAKERS,

Last week at PEAK students did some great research on the focus areas for their islands. Each teammate has selected two areas they are focusing on and together teams will create a story of their island. I presented my story about the island of Corsica (an island I've visited and have family history there!) to give students an idea of what their island presentation might look like. I gave my presentation "live" where they will be narrating their story as audio recordings onto the PowerPoint slides.

Student teams also prepped for our 3D island build by finding their island on Google Maps and then tracing the island onto an 18"x18" piece of paper! They glued their ocean onto cardboard for a sturdy base. Next week we will be making our saltwater dough and building our island using a different digital map that show elevation.

At the end of the day, island teams began their PowerPoint. I showed them how to find and place images onto their slides. Most teams only had time to create a title page for their presentation, but we will be working more on the PowerPoint next week too!

Next week still has some SBAC changes so please see the calendar below. As far as I know, only Warren and Four Georgians are modified with afternoon half days for each.

Students will be making their saltwater dough next week and using the material to build their 3D representation of their island. They will be referencing online elevation maps so they can recreate their island as accurately as possible! So, no ball gowns or tuxedos. No \$900 Nike Air Jordans. It will probably get mucky and floury and messy. Where something appropriate for the day! Thanks. Students will be painting their islands the following week, so this clothing rule will remain in effect! Thanks.

Island building will take most of the morning. In the afternoon, students will continue researching their island focus areas so they can tell as complete and rich a story as possible. They will also be working with their partner(s) to begin their PowerPoint. They need the words first before they can find the images to help tell the story!

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES: (APR. 29 - MAY 3)

<p>Creativity: Product Development – I can utilize proper design choices with research and/or expert help and explain the choices I have made.</p>	<p>Let's Build! – Students teams will make saltwater dough from an easy-to-follow recipe and then begin creating their island in 3D using an online maps that depicts elevation to assist them.</p>
<p>Technology: Software – I can effectively use various software applications to create content for an activity or project with teacher guidance.</p>	<p>Our Island Presentation! - Students teams will start developing their PowerPoint presentation for their island. Based on the research they have conducted and in conversation with teammates, they will determine how their island story will be told.</p>

BRINGING THE ISLANDS TO US!

MR. CURRIER

PEAK CALENDAR - SPRING 2024

29 Jefferson Rossiter Warren PM – arrive at noon	30 Jim Darcy Kessler Central	MAY 1 Four Georgians PM – Arrive at 12:15pm Hawthorne	2 Broadwater Bryant Smith	3
6 Jefferson Rossiter Warren	7 Jim Darcy Kessler Central	8 Four Georgians Hawthorne	9 Broadwater Bryant Smith	10
13 Jefferson Rossiter Warren	14 Jim Darcy Kessler Central	15 Four Georgians Hawthorne	16 Broadwater Bryant Smith	17
20 ½ Day Morning Jefferson Rossiter Warren Leave at 11:15am No Lunch at PEAK ½ Day Afternoon YES LUNCH! Four Georgians Hawthorne Leave at 1:45pm	21 ½ Day Morning Jim Darcy Kessler Central Leave at 11:15am No Lunch at PEAK ½ Day Afternoon YES LUNCH! Broadwater Bryant Smith Leave at 2pm	22	23	24
27 Memorial Day – No School!	28 All PEAK Leadership Conference! 8:00am – 2:30pm Location: Capital Building	29	30	31
JUN 3	4	5	6 Last Day of School! Have a great summer!	7

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Competition – in
Idaho!