

# Team D News

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## Mr. Wadsworth's Laboratory

Winter break is upon us and it's a wonderful opportunity to read, read, and read. If you have not gotten your sponsor sheet filled in as of yet, it is a wonderful time to make a couple of calls and send off a few emails.

In Math, we have finished our 7<sup>th</sup> chapter in both Pre-Algebra and Algebra I. We will be starting Chapter 8 when we return. Just a reminder that Pre-Algebra and Algebra I are both spiraling curricula. We are continuing to build on what we learned last month, last term and last year, etc. It will get increasingly more challenging. If your student is having difficulty with a particular skill or concept, please check out the online help that is available. The website and login information can be found in the front of the math textbook.

Enjoy your winter vacation and remember to...READ!



### Read-a-thon!

Read-a-thon will still be in full swing over the Winter Break! Keep reading and gathering sponsors! Fundraisers like the Read-a-thon help keep our Tuition low!



### OPEN HOUSE TONIGHT!!!!!!

If you are interested in talking with Faculty and Administration about how our curriculum works, please join us tonight at 7PM! (Adults Only)

## Mr. Shea's Two Cents

Students in seventh grade are reading through “The Adventures of Tom Sawyer” during the first part of Term 3 and will finish the Term by reading JRR Tolkien’s “The Hobbit.” Both books have significant value surrounding World War I. Twain’s ideas and philosophical progressions helped shape the mindset of those active in the war, as well as helping those returning remember the good for which they were fighting! “The Hobbit” helps illustrate the ways in which World War I soldiers passed the time and forgot their troubles. It even offers some insights into the dynamics and relationships between the soldiers of the war. Tolkien, having fought in World War I, is uniquely qualified to comment on life in the trenches.

Students are also finishing up the winter’s nutrition unit, and will be beginning to work on and plan our gardens. We hope to be able to begin planting outside at the start of Term 4!



## MR. HAYWARD'S CORNER

Mr. Hayward's Bible class is just finishing the book of Jonah, with a little help from the (old) Newsboys. After vacation we will dive into the writing prophets in earnest: Who are these guys? What are they talking about? How are we supposed to read and apply their words to 2020? GOOD QUESTIONS! We'll tackle them all. In history class we are just beginning to look at World War I - a serious wake up call 20 years after the happy "*Isn't everything wonderful*" glow of the Chicago World's Fair *and* the extraordinary completion of the Panama Canal in the same year the war begins in Europe begins. AND...we're a big "Go" for NYC April 15. A full bus! Reminders and details to follow in March.

