**RE: SCIENCE FAIR PROJECT**

Jan 27th 2014

**Dear Parent / Guardian,**

The Orange Team grade 7’s will begin work on Science Fair Projects Mon Feb. 3rd. A Science Fair Project will be counted toward the students’ Science Grade for Term 3. The school Science Fair will be held March 19th 2014 with the District Fair being held March 27th. Students will have the opportunity to go on to the Provincial and National Fairs from there.

We will begin discussing topics this week and what is expected of the students**. I am strongly encouraging students, that IF they choose to work with a partner, both must be organized, reliable and cooperative. Both students must at all times have access to the project (even if one is absent).  *Both students will receive the same mark so choose a partner that will contribute equally to the project*.**

Beyond the project itself, students will be marked on their in-class work as well. A copy of the rubric used to score the project is attached (used by the classroom teacher, school & district judges).

Students will be receiving a copy of the judging rubric, proper ‘Scientific Method’ and some project ideas as well as the rubric for the journal & in-class work. They will also have to submit a proposal of their project idea before beginning any work. **The Project will tentatively be due March 7th.**

As always, we encourage parents to offer some guidance to their child when working on their project. ***The majority of their work must be completed at school (as they are also marked on HOW they work).***

**Thank you very much for your support in this project. Please sign this letter and have your child return it to show that you are aware of the upcoming project.**

Sincerely,

Mrs. Hamilton

(Orange Team Grade 7 Science Teacher)

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