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# September Science

## Dates To Remember:

Back-To School Night	9/16
No School— Labor Day!	9/7-8
ITBS Testing	9/22-9/25
1st Trimester Progress Repts.	10/9
Parent Conferences	10/13-10/15
Minimum Days	
End 1st Trimester	11/13
Report Cards Home	11/20

## Science Excites Students!

### 6th Grade

We started the year by taking some time to review our "Emotional Life". The students collected data on themselves, and then graphed it on a line graph. Not only did they review the important key ideas about graphing, but they were able to share a little about their lives as well.

They will also be using the results of their Multiple Intelligence Test to see their learning style as well as practice making bar graphs.

From here they will be moving into the scientific method and different ways of mapping. 6th Grade Science rocks!

### 7th Grade

The seventh graders also are reviewing key points on graphing using the Emotional Life and Multiple Intelligence data. Next they will learn how to make a scatter plot in a unit called "Scatter Matters." In this unit, the students collect class data, present it in different forms, and draw conclusions from their graphs.

From here they will be reviewing scientific method and lab skills as we begin to delve into the mysteries of the cell!

### 8th Grade

They, too, are reviewing the collecting of data and

graphing it in different forms to find trends and draw conclusions. Along with line, bar, and scatter plots, 8th graders add pie charts and multiple component graphs to their repertoire. They will also be reviewing scientific method by designing their own experiments to complete a simple task.



**Life Lab!**  
Our garden beds are being built and we will begin installation soon!

**Recycling**  
Our school-wide recycling program is awaiting our containers.

**SCIENCE FAIR!**

- Start thinking of science fair ideas!
- Use the Santa Cruz County Office of Education website to help!

[science.santacruz.k12.ca.us/links](http://science.santacruz.k12.ca.us/links)