Renaissance Projects:

We have begun our study on the Renaissance briefly and will be doing some projects within the unit of study. In order to better understand this unit individually, each of you will be tackling one topic of study for the Renaissance (topics will be listed below). You will be expected to present that topic to the class on the day that we are learning about it, which I will let you know ahead of time. You will have class time to prepare your projects, but be aware that some projects will be presented very quickly, while others will not be presented for some time. Below is a list of things to do and explanation of what I would like to see from you for this project.

**Research and Background Info:**

* Notes on your topic.
* Bibliography

**Presentation/Project:**

* Interesting, engaging and creative presentation to the class.
* Bulletin Board Space in classroom (you will be given a space in the classroom or hallway that you need to decorate according to your topic).
* Handout (may include an activity, notes portion, questions, etc.)
* Christian Perspective (what does your topic have to do with God?)
* Relevance today (how can you relate your topic to our lives today?)
* Something visual for your presentation (powerpoint, prezi, animoto, poster, 3d object, etc.)
* Other ideas to add if you are interested in spicing up your presentation
  + Take the class somewhere in the school building on a mini field trip (must be approved by Mrs. Van Dorp first)
  + Do something active during your presentation (a game perhaps???)
  + Use a metaphor for something you are familiar with to help people relate to your topic (For example: The Medici Family is like a gaggle of geese…)

**Things to be turned in to Mrs. Van Dorp:**

* 2-3 Test questions based on the essential information for your topic with answers (electronically submit please!!!!)
* Notes and Bibliography
* Your visual (if it is something physical)

**How you will be marked:**

* Comprehensiveness of covering your topic
* Engaging Presentation/Handouts/Activities
* Notes and Bibliography (correct format and I can see that you took enough notes to cover your topic

**Topic Ideas that need to be covered (1 person per topic and we’ll pick using “stick pick”)**

1. Why did the Renaissance begin? Why Italy?
2. What effect did city-states have on the Renaissance?
3. What part did Florence play in the Renaissance?
4. What part did Venice play in the Renaissance?
5. The Medici Family
6. Petrarch
7. Humanism
8. Machiavelli
9. Renaissance Women: Dorotea Bucca, Christine de Pisan, Isabella d’Este, Marguerite the Duchess of Alencon
10. Difference between Renaissance Art and Medieval Art
11. Artists (not Leo da Vinci or Michelangelo)
12. Leonardo da Vinci
13. Michelangelo
14. Music of the Renaissance and its effect
15. Copernicus
16. Galileo
17. King Henry VIII
18. What was the Elizabethan Renaissance? / Queen Elizabeth / Elizabethan England
19. Gutenberg
20. Explorers (not Marco Polo or Columbus)
21. Marco Polo
22. Columbus
23. The Silk Road
24. Medieval Inventions / Chinese Inventions and their impact on Europe
25. Shakespeare
26. Dante
27. Erasmus
28. Thomas More