



Dear Fourth Grade Families,

Welcome to the fourth grade! I am so excited to start the new school year and meet you all! It is going to be a fabulous year ahead, but first I hope everyone has a fun summer break! I know everyone has already learned so many important lessons this past year in third grade and we are going to continue to grow those skills in fourth grade. In order to retain what you have already learned, it is important to keep practicing, even over the summer. I want each of you to spend time this summer outside, with those you love, and making special memories. I can't wait to hear all about it when we return to the classroom. This summer there are a couple of things that I would like you to continue to work on at your convenience. I know that in third grade you have worked hard reading chapter books, mastering math facts and expanding your writing skills. This summer I would like you to continue practicing in these areas and beginning fourth grade will be a breeze!

I hope each of you have a wonderful summer break filled with special memories! I can't wait to meet you and begin having some fourth grade fun together! It is going to be a great year and I am so excited to be your teacher! See you soon!

Sincerely,

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- Reading: Please select two books of your choice to read this summer. Feel free to try a new book series, read in a fun place, and read to someone special. Make it fun! When we return Aug. 28th, please bring the title/author of the books you read and a brief reason you enjoyed or disliked each book. We will be making a peer book review board to share our ideas with each other! I have attached a list of some fourth grade summer reading books in case you need some new ideas! Click link to summer reading book ideas
- <u>Writing:</u> I can't wait to hear all about your summer memories! On the first day of school, I would like you to bring a special summer souvenir with you and a paragraph description of the item you selected. I would like to know what you chose, where it came from, and why it is special to you. You will be presenting this item to the class so depending on the item, feel free to bring in a photograph of your souvenir. Be creative!
- Math: In fourth grade we will be continuing to master our quick math facts. This summer it is so important to continue practicing your addition, subtraction, and multiplication facts as often as possible. Feel free to create your own flash cards, use flash card drill websites, or even quiz a family member while driving in the car! You won't need to hand in any written math work, but please continue reciting the answers as often as possible. Five minutes a day is all you need! It will make fourth grade math even easier for you! Here is a website where you can even practice your skills online.
 - https://www.factmonster.com/math/flashcards

(4) 2-pocket plastic folders (Take Home, Save for Later, Work in
Progress, and Spanish)
(4) spiral notebooks (math, science, social studies, Spanish)
(2) composition notebooks (daily writing journal, reading)
(1) pack of ballpoint pens (blue or black ink)
(1) box of sharpened pencils
Pencil sharpener with lid
Scissors
12 inch ruler with centimeters and inches
(8) glue sticks
Highlighters
Colored pencils and/or crayons
Pencil case
(2) reams of plain white computer paper
(1) roll of paper towels
(2) boxes of tissues
Headphones to use with the Chromebooks in the classroom in a
plastic freezer bag labeled with your child's name

Teacher wish list items not mandatory but greatly appreciated and accepted throughout the year:

- Ziploc sandwich and gallon size bags
- Clorox wipes
- Expo dry erase markers
- Colored printer paper

Please bring all supplies on the first day of school. Please label all student items.

Thank you!