Mrs. Thiessen's 4th Grade Classroom

This week flew by!! Student's were hard at work on biography lapbooks this week and learning about influential people in our history. They also have been working hard on our new math topic which is division! We also welcomed our new students Lily this week.

Lot's of big things are happening here in 4th grade!

Halloween - Our Halloween parade and party look different this year sadly. Our parade will be outside around the perimeter of the building (I will send a map out at a later date). Parents are welcome to come and watch the parade, but will be required to adhere to wearing a mask while on school grounds. Students' costumes must be work over clothing, and a mask must still be worn. This means that if they have a face mask as part of their costume that it goes over the mask they wear covering their nose/mouth. After our parade we will be coming back to our room and enjoying pizza provided by the PTO and other treats!

Spelling - Students do not have spelling words in their planners for next week, as it is a short week and I will not be testing them.

Planners/Homework - Planners should be filled out and reflect what we do during the day. Homework should be highlighted, however it can also be bubbled (as this is what we do on our white board in the room). Students' new monthly reading log should be with them and filled out for the prior week on Monday morning. This is when I will check it and take their grade on that portion of homework.

Tech - We are using both computers and ipads here in the classroom. Students should know what their login and password is. I encourage them to read through epic! (this is a class code found on google classroom) or do math work on Prodigy or Sumdog. These are all things that we use in the classroom weekly.

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Class communication is very important and I have set up multiple ways for you to not only communicate with myself but see what your student is doing through the day.

1) Our class website will always have a weekly newsletter letting you know what we did that week. It will also have important information for upcoming things in the district, school and our room.

http://mrst-classroom.weebly.com/

2) Our class facebook page is another quick way for you to see what we are doing throughout the day as well. This is a fun way of keeping extended family involved as well.

https://www.facebook.com/Mrs-Thiessens Classroom-621762431804873

3) Remind is a quick form of communication where I can push reminders out to you or where you can "text" me.
Our class code is: 9b6ba8

Please do not feel that you need to use every form of communication. The most important one will be our class website where it will have all of the information that you need, I will NOT be sending weekly newsletters via email.

This coming week...

Math: We will continue our Topic 5 study on; Using strategies and properties to divide by 1-digit numbers.

*You will see homework for this topic coming home this next week. If students are struggling with it at home <u>please don't feel</u> that they have to finish it. This can be a rough topic and I will not penalize them for it not being done. <u>As long as you communicate</u> that with me.

Reading: We will be on Week 4 of Unit 2 short stories. We will be working on main ideas, supporting details and cause and effect.

Writing/Grammar: We will continue to work on personal narrative writing pieces. Students will be starting the editing process this week.

Science: We will continue our investigation about different soils and weathering along with erosion and how everything works together. As well as how fossils are formed and how we define them.

Nebraska History: We will be continuing our Chapter 2; First Peoples of America.

I can't wait to see what all of your young minds learn and experience this upcoming week!

Mrs. T