



Mrs. Thiessen's 4th Grade Classroom

Hey everyone!

This week has come and gone! Students were working hard on our Topic 8 fractions this week. They were finding equivalent fractions using 4 different methods. They've been studying early explorers in Nebraska history as well. And have completed 2 different writing pieces this week on top of that! The next two weeks will be flying by and we have a few tests to complete in that time. Please keep a look out for their Ch. 3 social studies review sheet that was sent home today. Along with a unit 3 vocabulary sheet coming next week.


Toy Drive - We will once again be collecting toys to be distributed to children within Sarpy County. We are asking for families to donate **NEW UNWRAPPED** toys, hats, and gloves. Collection bins will be by the front office. We will be collecting toys until **December 8th.**

Spelling - We are working on soft c and g next week.

arrange	glance	wedge	bridge	once
badge	cement	strange	orange	spice
circus	center	germs	ounce	sponge
certain	scene	ginger	police	village

10-days of Christmas - I have posted a sign up genius and the 10-days of christmas list on facebook and under important notes. This is something that we will be doing in the classroom starting Monday, December 7th. Any help is greatly appreciated. I will make sure to post pictures of kids enjoying their 10-day activities!! =D

Italian Friends - We are continuing our weekly penpal project with our Italy Friends. This allows students to interact with other students their age whose school and life experience is different than theirs.





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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.

Weather - Just as a reminder.... With the possibility of inclement weather upon us, students need to have winter boots and coats with them. If they do not have boots they will most likely only be allowed to stand on the sidewalk as we have rotating recess spots with other classes.

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 be continuing our Topic 8 next week; Extend Understanding of Fractions Equivalence and Ordering.

Reading: We will be continuing our work in Unit 3. And spelling words will be soft c and g.

Writing/Grammar: We will take a much needed brain break from writing and be working with Ms. Housing for new things in tech class.

Science: We will start our investigations into electricity.

Nebraska History: We will be continuing our Chapter 3 study on Lewis and Clark. And starting our chapter project.

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

Mrs. T