



# Mrs. Thiessen's 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom

Hey everyone!

We are officially done with our first semester of 4th grade!!!! WOOOHOOO!! All of the students have had an amazing first semester. We have all learned so much (including me!) not only in math, social studies and writing but in how to be kind towards others during this crazy time. Thank you so much for all of YOUR help as well. We could not have had an amazing first semester if it wasn't for all of the work you do with your kiddo at home.

Report cards will be sent out in January so be on the lookout for those. All tests and any work from the first semester has been sent home! I won't be sending out any newsletters or updating the Facebook page until our first week back. Enjoy your long break with family and I will see everyone next year! =D

**Spelling** - Students will get their spelling words for our first week back on Monday, January 4th!

**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.

**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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**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.

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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

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## Upon Return...

**Math:** We will be starting our next topic which is topic 9; Understanding addition and subtraction of fractions.

**Reading:** We will be starting our next unit on the theme of working together.

**Writing/Grammar:** We are going to start working on our personal and persuasive writing pieces.

**Science:** We will start our investigations into electricity.

**Nebraska History:** We will be starting Chapter 4; Go West!

I hope you all enjoy the break and have a wonderful holiday season with your families! I will see all your bright and shining faces in the new year!!

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