



Mrs. Thiessen's 4th Grade Classroom

Hi Everyone,

We made it through our first week of 4th grade and your students are rock stars!! This week in class we focused on procedures throughout the school and the new things that we have implemented from years past. We went over our social distancing procedures as a class and what we will be doing to keep everyone safe. We also went over a few classroom procedures and worked on our new day-to-day scheduling. We have a new classroom pet as well. I would ask your student about him! :)

We did individual first day pictures that will be sent home (digitally) via email.

We also did an about me page for their locker and they had the option of bringing a picture from home of themselves or drawing one. Some students have a note already in their agenda from me about bringing a picture as a reminder for themselves and you.

Planner - I introduced your child's planner to them. In each subject will be the lesson that I have taught. Homework will be highlighted in each subject. If there is nothing highlighted then there is NO homework. I am asking that your child read for at least 15 minutes Monday-Thursday and at least 1 - 15-minute chunk of time Friday-Sunday. Your child should bring their planner to you once they have completed all their homework for you to sign at the bottom. The planner should come home every night and go back to school each morning.

Dragon Folder - Will come home every night. Homework is on the LEFT. Do NOT throw any work away that is on the left. The work should be completed that night and returned to school the next day. Graded work and parent information will be on the right. Anything on the right can be taken out and kept at home.



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This week we went over how we will tech in the classroom as well. In the front of your students planner is their username and password. This is how they will log into our google classroom to do projects and/or homework throughout the year. And it is the same place that we will continue learning should we go to a distance learning school year.

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: Place value - Students will learn about place value understanding, rounding whole numbers, and comparing whole numbers. We will take a test on topic 1 on Tuesday, August 25th.

Reading: We will be reading the novel "Because of Winn Dixie". We will be working on identifying main characters, problem-solution, character analysis, and cause/effect.

Writing/Grammar: We will be learning the four types of sentences: declarative, imperative, interrogative, and exclamatory. We will also work on writing each type of sentence with capital letters and punctuation.

Science: We will begin talking about soils. Students will investigate different types of soils and what environment these soils can be found in.

Nebraska History: What is history? We will be discussing the topic history.

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

Mrs. T

