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

## Hey everyone!

I hope everyone enjoyed their extended weekend with our snow days!! This week we made up a lot of work and reviewed math to get ready for our new topic next week. Students worked hard on our investigation of electromagnets. They also started to work on their persuasive ad that they are creating from scratch. They worked on author's purpose and drawing conclusions.

Spelling - This week we will be talking about vowel patterns; o, aw, au, alk, alt, & all.

small	laws	caller	false	thought
bald	squall	talking	drawn	caught
halt	half	walker	fought	straw
stalk	shawl	awe	chalk	strawberry

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.

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.



**Math:** We will be starting our new topic 10; Extend Multiplication Concept to Fractions

**Reading:** We will be continuing our work in Unit 4 working on the author's purpose.

**Writing/Grammar:** Students will continue to work on their persuasive ad.

**Science:** We will continue our investigations with electricity. And also start our investigation into magnets.

Nebraska History: We will be continuing chapter 4; Go West!

I hope our week continues to be as wonderful as all of you are!!!

Mrs. T