Mrs. Thiessen's 4th Grade Classroom

Hey everyone!

I hope everyone enjoyed their extended weekend with our cold day!! This week students worked hard in math and finished their topic 11 over Determining Data on Line Plots. We will have their topic 11 math test next week. They also started learning about energy and the different types of energy we have and how it all works together. We started our next reading unit as well, learning about how to find details and context clues from reading.

Spelling - This week we will continue to talk about closed-syllables.

river	finish	cider	level	famous	limit	diver
stolen	never	spoken	promise	talent	habit	bison
cabin	razor	radar	wiper	pity	easel	

Parent/Teacher Conferences - Forms went out for sign up times for conferences on Thursday. Those are due back Monday the 22nd. I'll be sending out your final day/time later next week. I look forward to meeting more of you in person!

Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week- Letters will be going home with students today from PTO on the events that will be taking place over teacher and staff appreciation week. If you have any questions please feel free to ask myself or the ladies in the office. =)

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 & Recess - Just as a reminder.... Students have to winter boots and coats with them. If they do not have boots they will only be allowed to stand on the sidewalk or play in the blacktop area only.

We have also been allowed to relax our recess rules on students inter mixing with other classes. Students are now allowed to be in all areas of the playground 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 testing over topic 11;Represent and Interpret Data on Line Plots. Then starting our new topic 12; Understand and Compare Decimals

Reading: We will be continuing our work in Unit 5 working on themes and summarizing.

Writing/Grammar: Students will start their first Research Paper!

Science: We will continue our investigations with electricity and energy and how our world around us works together.

Nebraska History: We will be starting chapter 5; Becoming a State

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

Mrs. T