



Mrs. Thiessen's 4th Grade Classroom

Hey everyone!

We have had a busy week Reading Across America AND Teacher and Staff appreciation week. Thank you all so much for the many gifts this week and kind words. This year has had its struggles, but I feel truly blessed with the group of kids that I have and you as parents. Thank YOU for the hard work that you are putting in this year to help make it successful as well.

I hope everyone is looking forward to (and enjoying) the amazing spring weather we are finally starting to have!! This week students worked on topic 12 in math which was decimals and fractions working together. We also learned more about Nebraska becoming a state! And had our Nebraska party on Monday.

Spelling - This week we will talk about r-controlled vowel syllables.

barber	odor	cheddar	collar	harbor	powder	elevator
zipper	enter	grocer	danger	polar	tanker	grader
daughter	anchor	popular	singer	victor	pepper	

Parent/Teacher Conferences - Scheduling times were sent home last week. Conferences are scheduled for Tuesday, March 9th from 3:30pm-7:30pm and Thursday, March 11th from 3:30pm-7:30pm. Conferences will be 15 minutes long as they were last time. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. I look forward to seeing everyone in person!

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. I will look at it and take it for a grade at the end of the month.

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 -We have now 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.



This Coming Week...

Math: We will be testing over 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 pioneer journaling section of writing.

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 6; Strangers in their own land

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

Mrs. T