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

## Hey everyone!

This week students worked really hard on our new math topic measurements and converting! We worked more in science with learning about waves and sound waves and how they are all around us. They also finished up their last week of our unit 5 in reading. We also had some free writing time and they were all very excited and creative in the stories that they made! This means that our writing research topic is officially done as well!

We are gearing up for the end of a couple units before we leave for spring break. We will test over math topic 13 later next week as well. They will test over our unit 5 reading and vocabulary early/mid next week. Next week is also our One School One Book and we have a TON of fun things planned for students and staff throughout the week.

Spelling - This week is an off week with unit testing!! =D

**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. <u>https://www.facebook.com/Mrs-Thiessens</u> <u>Classroom-621762431804873</u>

 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 13; Measurement: Find equivalence in Units of Measure.

**Reading:** We will be testing over our Unit 5 reading and vocabulary.

Writing/Grammar: Students will begin their work on journal writing.

**Science:** We will continue our investigation 4 with 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