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

## Hey everyone!

Happy Springtime! This week students have been hard at work getting back into the swing of things. This week we did our topic 14 analyzing and generating patterns and students did so well. We've been working hard on getting ready for state testing this month as well. Students will have their first round of testing this coming Monday the 12th and Tuesday the 13th. It will be first thing in the morning, so please help ensure that students are ready to tackle it!

## Spelling - This week we are working with homophones

root	tale	wade	tail	prince	dough	doe
moose	prints	we've	weave	whose	who's	mousse
route	boulder	bolder	weighed	patience	patients	

**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.



**Math:** We will be starting topic 15; Geometric Measurement: Understand Concepts of Angles and Angle Measurement.

**Reading:** We will be continuing our unit 6 studies and talking about analyzing story structures and sequencing.

**Writing/Grammar:** Students will continue their work on their pioneer journal writing.

**Science:** We will continue our investigations with investigation 6; Environmental Factors.

**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