Mrs. Thiessen's 4th Grade Classroom

Hey everyone!

We are on the downhill slide with our school year! This week students took their first round of state testing for ELA. They have been troopers with the studying and changes to our typical schedule. State math testing won't happen for a few more weeks. We have started our topic 15 Geometric Measurement: Understand Concepts of Angles and Angle Measurement. Next week students will have a spelling test, a social studies test (study guides went home this week) as well as a TDA.

Spelling - This week we are working with different suffixes.

spotless	sunny	furry	really	hairy	barely	breathless
tasteless	handful	lifeless	illness	hopefully	happiness	certainly
goodness	sorrowful	gently	sickness	joyfully	aimless	

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 continuing topic 15; Geometric Measurement: Understand Concepts of Angles and Angle Measurement and starting topic 16; Lines, Angles and Shapes.

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 and have tech.

Science: We will continue our investigations with investigation on Freshwater Environments.

Nebraska History: We will be continuing our Chapter 6; Strangers in their own land. And start Chapter 7; Our Growing Changing State.

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

Mrs. T