



Mrs. Thiessen's 4th Grade Classroom

Hello Everyone!!

This week in class students worked on a lot. We had our first social studies test, a spelling test and a weekly reading test. But they are troopers and produced outstanding work! We also are continuing our work with multiplication by multiplying 2x2 digit numbers. They also started working on narrative writing skills. They will soon be writing their own narrative writing piece as well!

I can't believe we are already at 9 weeks of school!!! This upcoming week is our first parent/teacher conferences and I'm so excited to see and meet everyone! With the end of first quarter and the start of second quarter students will have more homework assigned than just math. I will go over this new addition with everyone during conferences.

Spelling - Students do not have spelling words in their planners this week, as it is a short week and I will not be testing them. We will however, be working on words with prefixes and understanding how those create new words and new meanings.

Planners - 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 should also be reading 10-15 minutes a day as part of their homework as well.

Tech - We are using both computers and ipads here in the classroom. Students should know what their login and password is. I encourage them to read through epic! or do math work on Prodigy or Sumdog. These are all things that we use in the classroom weekly. Students will also be working with Ms. Husing on their grade level tech project starting this week. Don't forget to ask your student what their project is and the different things they are using to create it.



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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 continue our Topic 4 study on; Use strategies and Properties to multiply by 2 digit numbers.

*You will see homework for this coming home this week. If students are struggling with it at home please don't feel that they have to finish it. This can be a rough topic and I will not penalize them for it not being done. As long as you communicate that with me.

Reading: We will be on Week 2 of Unit 2 short stories. And will continue our talk on author's purpose and looking at different poetry styles.

Writing/Grammar: We will continue to work on personal narrative writing pieces. Later in the week students will start to work on their own piece of narrative writing.

Science: We will continue our investigation about different soils and weathering along with erosion and how everything works together.

Nebraska History: We will be starting Chapter 2; First Peoples of America.

I can't wait to see what all of your young minds learn and experience this upcoming week!

Mrs. T