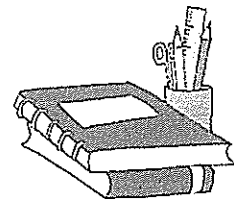


Welcome To Fourth Grade!



Dear Families and students,

Welcome! We are very excited to have you in our rooms. Our team will be working very closely to ensure it's a year of challenge, innovation, and FUN for your wonderful children. We are planning thematic units, chapter book studies, cultural activities, and creative projects to help our Superstars learn and grow in fourth grade. We know that your summer will be full of camps, vacations, and family time, but we hope that you will assist your Superstar with a few things to get ready for fourth grade. Please review the important information below.

Math Fact fluency

Math fact fluency is VERY important for your child's success in math. Please make sure that your child can state each fact 0-11 from memory by the fall. A few things that help you child with these are Xtramath.org is a math fluency site. Old fashion flashcards are also really great to practice. We have also have attached the 21 math facts that the students must memorize that do not contain a 0,1,2,5,or 10.

IXL

You will still have access to this account throughout the summer. We suggest having your child go through any lessons that they didn't complete during the school year. Ideally, your child should have completed ALL second grade skills before coming back to school. Please record your summer IXL work on the technology log attached.

Summer Reading

There are 1,440 minutes in each day. We would like to see our Superstars reading for at least 30 of those minutes. The goal is to read 2,300 minutes this summer. Your child will have access to Achieve3000 over the summer. These are short lessons that will increase their lexile levels if your child completes 2 articles a week.

Please encourage your child to broaden their interest by reading a variety of books over summer break, across all genres. Consider spending 30 minutes a week reading along with your child. Although they like to read independently, children can learn powerful lessons from hearing you read with expression, using pauses appropriately, and thinking aloud. Attached to this packet is a summer reading log. We would like the students to fill this out as they read this summer and bring it with them on the first day of school. We will recognize our voracious readers who complete this reading log during the first week of school. We have also attached a suggested list of books for third graders, but of course, this list is only the beginning.

Assessments

In September, students will be given assessments for placement in reading and math groups. Keeping up with their skills over the summer will help to ensure proper placements.

Supplies

Please see the attached supply list for the items your student will need in third grade.

More Information

Additional forms and a welcome packet will be sent home at the beginning of the school year. A few weeks later, we will meet you at Open House for more details and questions to be answered. At that time, we will also update you on website requirements and how you can monitor your child's progress on the sites from home. Finally, please sign up and use the CPS Parent Portal to track your student's grades throughout the school year.

Should you have any questions/concerns, the best form of communication for us is through email. Please feel free to contact us anytime during the year. We ask that you give us a time period of 24 hours to respond; however, we will usually be able to get back to you sooner. We will also update you frequently through email.

We are looking forward to a great third grade year with your children. Have a wonderful, relaxing summer!

Best regards,

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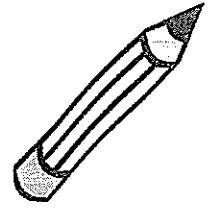
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4th GRADE REQUIRED SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS

Dear Parents,

This is a list of the supplies you will need for fourth grade. We understand it is detailed but these supplies are vital to your student being prepared for a successful year!



4th Grade individual Supplies

- 1 soft-sided pouch (No hard pencil boxes will be allowed)
- 1 pack of Blue or Black pens
- 3 boxes of pencils
- 1 Eraser (block style)
- 1 package of multi-colored highlighters
- 1 protractor
- 1 ruler-showing inches and centimeters
- 2 extra book covers

** These will be housed in your child's desk

- 1 pair of sturdy headphones or ear buds ****VERY IMPORTANT**** Labeled and in a zip lock bag

ALL Notebooks and folders for subjects should be color coded as following:

Red=Reading, Blue= Math, Green=science, Yellow= Social Studies, Purple= Writing (folder only)

Any other color= take home folder

- 3 Spiral Notebooks (Blue=math, Green= Science, Yellow= Social Studies)
- 2 composition notebooks (Reading and Writing)
- 6 heavy duty folders with two pockets (in the colors found above)

** Please write your students' name, room number, and grade on the front of each notebook and folder.

** In a separate gallon zip-lock bag labeled with your child's name, room number and grade. These will be held for classroom art activities and kept away from their desk.

- 1 pair of small scissors
- 1 pack of Glue Sticks
- 1 box of colored pencils
- 1 box of crayons
- 1 pack of washable markers

Other Classroom supplies:

- 2 bottles of hand sanitizer
- 2 boxes of Kleenex
- 1 container of Disinfectant Wipes
- 1 roll of paper towels
- 1 box of band-aides
- 1 ream of copy paper
- 1 box of zip lock bags (Boys=Gallon, Girls=sandwich)
- 1 package of solid color construction paper (Girls)
- 1 package of lined paper (Boys)

Classroom Supplies Donations:

These supplies are optional but they are used frequently. Any donations would be greatly appreciated!

- Staples
- Pencils
- Scotch tape refill rolls
- Band-Aids
- Quart-sized Ziplocs
- Post It notes (All sizes)
- 4 x 6 Index cards
- Hand sanitizer with pumps
- Black Dry Erase markers
- Adhesive address labels
- Pens (Blue or Black)
- Graph Paper
- White Construction paper (9x12) or (12x18)
- Sharpies
- Post -It Note chart Paper
- Ink for individuals teachers:
Mrs. Johnson- Brothers LC-61cl
Mrs. Rupp- Brothers LC-61cl
Mr. O'Brien-Brothers LC 101 or 103
- Any Novels you would like to add to the class library

**** Locker decorations are not permitted. Book bags must be soft to fit into lockers.
NO Binders will be permitted**

Thank you,
Mrs Johnson, Mr O'Brien, Mrs Rupp

Suggested Summer Reading List for Students Entering 4th Grade

Beverly Cleary books

Johanna Hurwitz books

Hoot by Carl Hiaasen

Because of Winn-Dixie by Kate DiCamillo

Friends: Making Them and Keeping Them by Patty Kelley Criswell

The 39 Clues series

The Lightening Thief series

Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin

Drita, My Homegirl by Jenny Lombard

The Winner's Walk by Nancy Ruth Patterson

Rickshaw Girl by Mitali Perkins

Tofu Quilt by Ching Yeung Russell

The Nina, the Pinta, and the Vanishing Treasure by Jill Santopolo (goes with our explorer unit)

Oggie Cooder by Sarah Weeks

Lincoln and His Boys by Rosemary Wells

Earthquake Terror by Peg Kehret (goes with our weather unit)

My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George

Baseball Saved Us by Ken Mochizuki

She Touched the World by Sally Hobart Alexander

Give me Liberty! The Story of the Declaration of Independence by Russell Freedman

Fourth Grade Celebrity, Gift Of The Pirate Queen, Girl Who Knew It All, Left-Handed Shortstop, Rat Teeth, Winter Worm Business, Nory Ryan's Song, Lily's Crossing, (and others) by Patricia Reilly Giff

Harry Potter books by J.K. Rowling

A Series of Unfortunate Events books by Lemony Snicket

Dear America books, *My America* books, and *My Name is America* (various authors)

The Spiderwick Chronicle series by Tony DiTerlizzi

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo

Math Curse by Jon Scieszka (a book for math phobics)

50 Simple Things Kids Can Do to Save the Earth by the EarthWorks Group

Natural Disasters by Claire Watts (goes with our weather unit)

Top Secret: A Handbook of Codes, Ciphers, and Secret Writing by Paul B. Janeczko (goes with our communication unit)

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