



Welcome to Fourth Grade!

Mrs. Finnerty is your homeroom teacher!

Hello Families of Future Fourth Graders!

We are excited and eager to welcome you to Fourth Grade!

First, let us thank you for all your support over this past unprecedented year. Think back to how we were all feeling last June. In the past year, we went from learning completely remotely, to dipping our toes back in with hybrid learning and now we are able to end the year all together. An amazing feat! We are making history as we survive this pandemic.

We are looking forward to getting things back to normal for the 21-22 school year. Just like we emphasized last year, we are in this together. We can't wait to get to know each student and every family as we move forward. Though we expect this coming year to be much smoother, our priority is to support students academically, socially, and emotionally.

Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions, or concerns by email (our main means of communication) and we will be happy to get back to you as soon as possible.

~Ms. Allen-Davis will be teaching English Language Arts and Social Studies. Her email address is: allendavisr@worcesterschools.net.

~Mrs. Finnerty will be teaching Math and Science. Her email address is: jfinnerty@worcesterschools.net.

Supplies

As we begin next year, here are some things that will help prepare your child for 4th grade. We are recommending the following items, as they will be utilized daily in addition to digital resources that can be accessed through Clever and our Google Classrooms.

English Language Arts and Social Studies:

1. A 3-ring binder (1 inch or 1 ½ inch is best)
2. Five dividers (prelabeled with the following: WRITING, READING, SOCIAL STUDIES, HANDBOOK HELPERS (or Handbook) and TESTS & QUIZZES (or T & Q).
3. A clipboard
4. A pack of sticky notes

*Paper dividers with erasable tabs work best...10 to a pack at Staples!

MATH AND SCIENCE:

1. A 3-ring binder (1 inch or 1 ½ inch is best)
2. Five dividers
3. Pencils and erasers (No pencils with colorful plastic coating- they ruin our sharpeners!)
4. Colored pens (any color but black)
5. A pack of sticky notes
6. Expo markers and a lonely sock (or small rag) for erasing slate work

Always gratefully appreciated additional helpful classroom items:

- Tissues
- Personal hand sanitizer
- Paper towels
- Filler paper (wide-ruled)
- Zippered pencil pouches (Boxes tend to explode when dropped. Zippered is better!)

Summer Reading

Please see the attached flier discussing West Tatnuck's Summer Reading. Make every effort to have your child read FOR PLEASURE! We want them to LOVE reading, not dread it. That being said, please hold off on any projects related to Summer Reading. Wait, what?! I'll say it again, NO PROJECTS! Don't worry, we WILL complete one the first week of school. Just read!

Math Practice

Please continue to sharpen your Math skills by using ST MATH over the summer! Students coming into fourth grade should know their multiplication facts fluently! Feel free to hop onto Commoncoresheets.com for extra standards-based math practice.

We hope you have a happy, relaxing and safe summer. We are looking forward to an exceptional year!

Best,
Your Fourth Grade Teachers ☺