



Fourth Grade Newsletter

January 2017

4th Grade Classes

4-401: Ms. Kim

4-402: Ms. Goldenberg

4-403: Mr. Suh / Mr. Wilson

Important Reminders!

- Homework is assigned daily, therefore please make sure to check your child's homework and sign their reading log.
- Your child should wear his/her school uniform every day.
- Make sure your child gets a restful night's sleep every night to perform to the best of his/her ability.
- Attendance is very important! Please make sure your child gets to school on time. Class begins at 8:20. Your child should bring in a letter for any absences.

Important Dates To Remember!

December 26 – January 2: Winter Recess (schools closed)

January 3: School resumes

January 16: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day (schools closed)

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope you had a happy holiday! It's already January and we are excited to see the continuous great work your child has shown in class. In order to help your fourth grader at home, we ask that you:

- Continue to read informational and narrative texts with your child and ask them questions during and after reading. To ensure that your child is reading at home, please remember to check and sign your child's reading log every night.
- Have your child repeatedly study and write down the multiplication facts.
- Encourage your child to keep a journal at home. This is a great way to strengthen their writing and to prepare for the state exam.

What We Are Learning This Month!

ELA: We will begin an author study on Gary Paulsen. Students will put themselves in the character's shoes as they read the anchor text, Hatchet.

Math: Students have learned to use estimation, models and the Distributive Property to find the quotient, and to divide tens, hundred, and thousands by whole numbers to 10. Students will continue to learn various strategies to divide by 1-digit numbers such as using repeated subtraction, partial products. Also, they will practice breaking apart multistep division word problems.

Science: Students will continue to study the characteristics, properties, and relationship of electricity and magnesium.

Social Studies: Students will study Native American groups and how they inhabited the region that became New York. They will also see how unique cultures have been developed.