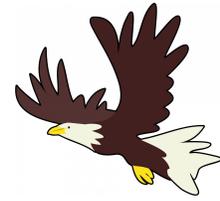


4th Grade Flyer

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Here we go! Off on a new month. With the month comes a number of changes. The weather is getting cooler and the leaves are starting to change color.

October is typically a very busy month. We will have Red Ribbon Week, Fire Safety and Prevention Week, Parent/Teacher Conferences, Fall parties, and much more! I sent home a calendar yesterday that gives some of the highlights of the month for 4th grade.-



We are about finished with our first Unit in Math and we will have a post assessment this - week. Our number corner portion of our math day is changing, too. Check it out when you visit at Open House and I'll try to take a photo to send out as we get underway.

They have been pretty interesting.

Math: Homework. The math homework is in a book called "Homework Connections". This is optional and should not be graded and is not expected to be returned to the teacher
"The purpose is a communication tool for families to better understand the learning that is occurring in the classroom. Bridges uses Home Connections to communicate the "what and how" we're learning in math and offers additional practice for the child. Often times this includes opportunities to play games at home as part of the practice."

I will assign work from the HC Book as it pertains to our lessons. Students will write this assignment in their assignment notebooks.

Physical Education Notes: You might want to have extra socks in case you wear flip flops and need to change to gym shoes. Girls may want shorts or pants to change into in case they forget and wear a dress or skirt on PE days. If you can buy gym shoes to leave at school to change into on PE days, that is preferred. It will help to save scratches from our new gym floor.

Just a reminder again about our fourth grade trip to **Madison, April 10, 2019**. Please put this date on your calendar. Each student can have one parent come on the trip on our coach buses. We'll have a tour of the capitol and then you are on your own to go to several museums in the area and take your child to lunch. We will have some fundraising to help defer the cost to you but without that the cost would be around \$25.00 per child. Our first fundraiser is a Fall dance on October 19 at the Grafton High School with Woodview Elementary. The food sale from this event will help defray our costs on our trip.

Room Parent: I'm looking for one or two parents to serve as Room Parents for my homeroom. Your job would be to organize our Fall Party on October 31 from 2 to 3:15, and to organize our

class party in December and for Valentine's Day. Organizing means getting other parents involved to donate food items for snacks, or to join the class party to run a game or a craft. Please contact me as soon as possible if you can be my "contact" person.

Reading and Writing: Students are finishing up Unit 1 in each of these areas. The reading unit involved learning about realistic fiction, character development and theme in a story. Our writing work involved writing a personal narrative. We'll be doing a post assessment and turning in our written stories. We will finish reading The Tiger Rising by Kate DeCamillo this week. We enjoyed this story and the many underlying messages it contained.



Our next unit in reading is called Reading The Weather, Reading The World. Students will learn how to read a nonfiction book and they'll do some research writing.

Word Work is going to start next week. We gave all students a spelling inventory test to be able to determine which word lists each child should work on. Then we sorted students out into these groups and have planned how to teach and test each group of students,

THANK YOU SO MUCH for purchasing chair pockets for our room. They look great and work great! I have all I need except for two more!

Last week we experienced a "**PD45**" Day. On these days, we run a different schedule because the fourth grade teachers in the district have a meeting from 7:45 to 9:15. Students start their day with an extra specials class. You'll note the next day coming up on the calendar I sent home. We actually run a different schedule for two days during the fourth grade day and the fifth grade day to accommodate our math students that we share. We also had our first PBIS assembly and talked about respect and empathy. These topics were further emphasized in the classroom with our Second Step curriculum. We will focus on bullying in the coming weeks.

Fall MAP testing is completed for reading, writing and math.

Please continue to make sure your child has a snack daily. We are always happy when it's time for 12:30 lunch!

NO SCHOOL OCTOBER 5. Teachers will be in professional development all day.

