Welcome to the Fourth Grade!
All teachers will teach social studies to their homeroom. Students will have two switch classes (math/science and reading*)

Reading/Language Arts teachers:
- Crystal Jones
- Alli Lohman
- Kristina Rodriguez
- Brittany Taraba/Laura Leven
- Derek Zerber

Math/Science teachers:
- Katie King
- Emily Moen
- Mollie Musgrove
- Kristina Rodriguez
- Brittany Westerman
ATTENDANCE AND TARDIES

- 7:30am: First Bell
- 7:40am: Tardy Bell
- If your child enters the building anytime from 7:40-9:30am, they will be counted tardy.
- We report attendance at 9:30am.
Absences

- If your child is absent, please send their absence note within three days. After three days, the absence becomes unexcused.
- Please email all absence notes to your child’s homeroom teacher.
- When your child returns to school, they will be given their missing assignments along with the due dates.
- Any missed quizzes or tests must be completed at school.
- Homework and classwork may be completed at home.
MONDAY FOLDERS

• The Monday Folders will include flyers from the office and PTO.
• It will come home with your child on Monday.
• Please make sure to review the materials and return the folder by Wednesday.
Graded Work Folders

- The students will take home an orange folder containing graded work and a weekly conduct sheet every Friday.
- ALL work needs to be returned in the folder by the following Tuesday. The weekly conduct sheet must be signed and returned. Parents should also sign all assignments with a grade below a 70.
- All graded work will be returned at the end of each six week grading period.
**HOMEWORK**

- Homework will be assigned on week nights and will be written in their agendas.
- Throughout the year, the student will have a variety of daily assignments, studying for tests/quizzes, and projects as their homework.
• Students are expected to bring their agenda to class every day and home every night.
• Students are responsible for writing down all homework, tests, and major project dates in their agenda.
• The agenda serves as a communication tool for students and parents to know their homework.
• We do not have a newsletter in fourth grade!
Grades

- Grades are given by the homeroom teacher and switch class teachers.
- Grades will consist of various assignments, quizzes, tests, and projects.
- 10 points will be taken off the first day an assignment is late. 5 points will be taken off for every day thereafter. If the assignment is turned in after a week, the highest grade the student can earn is a 50.
- ZERO evidence of work = a ZERO in the gradebook
- If the student does not put their first and last name on the paper, 5 points will be taken off.
Conduct

- Students will have a conduct calendar in their agenda.
  Teachers will make behavior comments if necessary for communication with parents.
- Also, parents will be contacted via email or phone for behavior concerns.
Schedule

7:30 – 8:00: Homeroom
8:05 – 9:40: 1st Switch
9:50 – 10:40: Ancillary
10:50 – 11:40: 2nd Switch A
11:45 – 12:15: Lunch
12:20 – 1:15: 2nd Switch B
1:20 – 2:15: Homeroom
2:20 – 3:00: Recess
Parent Conferences

- Conference period: 9:50-10:40am
- Conferences will be held on an as needed basis.
- All of your child's teachers will be in attendance at every conference.
Your child's homeroom teacher will teach them Texas History.

Grades will consist of:
- In class assignments
- Quizzes
- Tests
- Projects
- Enrichment activities
Math

- Our units of study consist of:
  - Place Value
  - Decimals/Fractions
  - Multiplication/Division
  - Geometry
  - Problem Solving
  - Basic Facts
  - Concept Development

- Grades will consist of:
  - In class assignments
  - Quizzes
  - Tests
  - Projects
  - Enrichment activities

Materials to bring:
- Math Journal
- Green Math folder

*Please make sure that you are constantly practicing multiplication facts with your child.*

STAAR Math Test:
April/May 2024
Our units of study consist of:
- Physical Science
- Earth Science
- Life Science

Grades will consist of:
- In class assignments
- Home Labs
- Quizzes
- Tests
- Projects
- Science Journals

Materials to bring:
- Science Journal
- Purple Science folder
Reading/Language Arts

- Our units of study consist of:
  - Grammar
  - Spelling
  - Writing
  - Novel studies
  - Vocabulary Development
  - Literacy skills
- Grades will consist of:
  - In class assignments
  - Quizzes
  - Tests
  - Projects
  - Wordly Wise/Enrichment activities

Materials to bring:
- Journal
- Yellow Folder
- Wordly Wise
- Novel

STAAR Reading Test:
April/May 2024
Electronic Devices

- All smart watches and cell phones must be turned OFF and stored in backpack/locker during the school day.
- School mode is not an exception to the rule.
- Students are not allowed to wear any communication devices in class or use them during school hours.
**Miscellaneous Items**

- **Birthdays**
  - Treats need to be served or wrapped individually—cakes are not allowed!
  - Birthday treats will be served at recess ONLY
  - Please be mindful of food allergies

- **Snack**
  - Every teacher has set aside time for a snack
  - Please pack a healthy snack!

- **VIPS**
  - Please do not forget to update your VIPS status with the front office.
  - Do not assume you’re still in good standing!
We are excited for a great year!