

THE FOURTH GRADE

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 26th, 2018

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Book Fair Is Coming!

Dear Parents and Families:

Did you know? Reading just 20 minutes a day exposes your child to about **1.8 million words** per year. Reading helps students develop a stronger vocabulary, and in addition, students who read for pleasure average higher grades in English, mathematics, science, and history!

Mark your calendar to join us for a celebration of reading!

Book Fair dates/times:

November 26 - November 29 7:10-2:30 each day

Online Shopping

November 10 – November 30 <https://bit.ly/2D4dFBj>

Field Trip Friday, November 30th to the Nutcracker

Changes in transportation

If your child has a change in transportation please be sure to send in a written note. **Please make sure you include your child's last name, your child's teacher's name and how they normally go home.** We are not allowed to accept email transportation changes. All transportation changes must have a parent signature.

Friday Folders

Friday folders have been hole punched and are in your child's binder. Please check for important papers. **If your child has any graded papers, please be sure to sign and return on Monday.**

Headphones

Please make sure your child's headphones are in their backpack. Students will need these in school to work on iReady.

MATH

Ms. Arnold

On Level

We will continue working on creating equivalent fractions using visual models.

Accelerated

We will continue working on multiplying decimals using concrete models.

Mrs. Hayes

On Level

We will continue with Equivalent Fractions and Comparing Fractions in Unit 3.

Advanced

Unit 6 is turning out to be a fun unit for us. We're using art to make angles, lines, and 2D figures. Students are working together in small groups to discuss similarities and differences with polygons, quadrilaterals and triangles.

SCIENCE and Social Studies

This week we discovered the Earth's axis and the axis' effect. We modeled the tilt of the Earth's axis and when combined with its rotation, how the tilt effects the length of day and night. We also discussed how the tilt of the axis combined with the Earth's revolution around the sun, effects what season we are in. Next week we get to explore the star lab, as well as learning about the phases of the moon.

Reading and Language Arts

Reading:

We will continue Unit 3 - Reading History: The American Revolution. Students are learning about how to become great researchers. We are using the American Revolution as our topic. The work that students do in Reading will benefit them in Writing.

Writing:

We will continue Unit 3-Bringing History to Life. Students will be writing a book about the American Revolution. The book will have 4 chapters. All About the Revolution (an introduction to help explain their focus topic), All about the Focus Topic, The Story of a Big Moment (Narrative Writing), and Why This Focus Topic is Important (Persuasive Writing). This week students will be working on a narrative story about their topic and some will move on to opinion essays about their topic.