

## Fourth Grade's November News!

We are closing in on our first quarter of learning this school year. Students are enjoying earning tickets for following RFES Pride and showing kindness to their classmates.

Our focus in reading has shifted to non-fiction. Students have the opportunity to skim and scan a variety of non-fiction texts before choosing a book to dive in to. Later in the month, students will be put into research groups to research different forms of extreme weather. They will be creating weather pendants to show off what they learn!

In writing, we started our opinion unit called Boxes and Bullets. Students are developing thesis statements about topics they care deeply about and coming up with reasons and evidence to support their thesis.

In November, we will work on Topics 4 and 5 in mathematics. Students will multiply two-digit numbers by 2–3-digit numbers using the same strategies they learned in Topic 3. These multiplication facts continue to be necessary for success! Topic 5 begins our lessons on division. They will need to know those basic division facts as well. PLEASE help your child know them quickly and accurately.

During our science lessons, students have been participating in weathering and erosion labs (a bit messy, but fun)! In the coming weeks, they will explore topography maps and landforms on the ocean floor. Students will be amazed at the information we see as we explore and interpret earthquake and volcano data.

As the weather gets cooler, we will continue to go outside when possible, so have your child keep a sweatshirt or jacket in their backpack. **Also, please continue to keep the Chromebooks charged each night.**

Our 4th graders will continue to show RFES Pride by being responsible, friendly, engaged, and safe every day.

### Upcoming events:

**Band/Orchestra ensemble begin this month. Stay tuned for more information from Ms. Queale.**