

September Fourth Grade News

Hello from the fourth-grade team! We hope you are excited about the new school year. We are establishing routines and expectations in each class. Students have organized their desks and materials are labeled. We are focusing on being responsible and organized 4th graders. Please remember to check your child's planner and take-home folder daily. Students will have math homework Mondays- Thursdays and are expected to read at least 20 minutes each evening.

This month in reading we will be interpreting characters. Students will select books from our new reading libraries, the media center, and students' personal books to enjoy and create a positive reading environment. We will focus on building reading stamina and tracking our reading this month. Students will identify story elements and character traits in the books they are reading and support their thinking with text evidence.

In our first writing unit, we will focus on narrative writing. We will identify characteristics of realistic fiction and write fiction stories. Students will use a narrative checklist to set goals and improve their writing.

We will begin the year working on Topics 1 and 2 in math. In Topic 1, students will read, write, and compare whole numbers to the millions place. Then we will add and subtract multi-digit numbers and estimate sums and differences in topic 2. Please review basic addition and subtraction facts at home.

We will be studying social studies in September. We will explore how where you live influences the way you view the world. Students will be using background knowledge and critical thinking skills as they learn how economic wants and needs drive exploration and promote change.

We will begin science at the beginning of October, so stay tuned for more information next month!

We will continue to show RFES Pride by being responsible, friendly, engaged, and safe every day.

Upcoming Events:

September 13th: First day of Chorus

September 17th Constitution Day