



August 8th, 2017

Dear Parents,

I am very excited about this year of school, as well as the opportunity to teach and get to know your student. I hope to meet you all at “Back to School Night” on August 10th. Please mark your calendar, as this is a great time to ask questions, and learn more about what your student is expected to learn in the 4th or 5th grade this year.

Both Fourth and Fifth grade are great years! Your student will enjoy reading the wonderful stories in our Treasures reading series, and spend time writing, evaluating what the authors are trying to convey to us through the story, and establishing the main idea of these stories.

We will also be continuing our adventure through the Common Core Math series, Go Math. There is an online aspect to this program which I will give more detail to at Back to School Night.

This is also a great year for our History class as well. As we study the history of our great state in fourth grade, and our wonderful country, the United States of America, and the Revolutionary War in fifth grade.

Fourth and Fifth Grade are both an important year in the area of **RESPONSIBILITY**.

Part of that responsibility is being prepared. This includes not only completing all of their daily work, but also having any material they need to do the work. I have supplied them with a pencil box, crayons, pencils, eraser, journals, and a glue stick.

Your student will need the following items:

- A supply of pencils, mechanicals are okay, but they will be sent home if they play with them.
- A red pen or pencil
- Ruler
- A ream of copy paper for the class. (donation)
- Markers (optional)
- Children’s scissors
- Dry erase pen, black or blue, an eraser, or a clean old sock for an eraser
- Ear buds

Your student will need these things on an ongoing basis. Their supply in August will not last all year. So please, check with your student often to see if they need more supplies. It will be their job to be prepared with the materials and books needed every day. **PLEASE NO BIG BINDERS...** They are too big for their desk with all of their books. If your student does have a large binder, I simply ask that the binder stays in their backpack. I also ask that your student only have one pencil box at their desk.

I often have very generous parents who donate materials to the classroom. Any of the above items would be greatly appreciated, as well as...

copy paper (colored paper or white), cardstock, Kleenex, Clorox wipes, paper towel, construction paper, classroom reading books, golf equipment, anything Raiders or Giants, coffee, milk chocolate, etc.

Thanks,

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