

Dear Future Fourth Grade Families,

The fourth grade teachers have put together a summer packet to help students prepare for fourth grade. This packet will help students prepare and review skills that will be necessary for September. The fourth grade supply list is included (the list will also be available on the Northwood website). All supplies should be sent in with the student on the first day of school

Below is a list of titles that have chosen by the teachers. These books are readily available at local bookstores and libraries. Your child is expected to read one of the books below:

- *Frindle* by Andrew Clements
- *A Series of Unfortunate Events: A Bad Beginning* (book #1) by Lemony Snicket
- *Freckle Juice* by Judy Blume
- *Ben Franklin of Old Philadelphia* by Margaret Cousins
- *Shiloh* by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

After your child has read one of the above books they will need to complete two activities listed below. These activities are to be completed and shared with the class on the first day of school.

- ❖ **Activity #1** Create a 6 slide PowerPoint presentation summarizing the important events of the book.
 - On slide 1 please include book title, author, and genre.
 - On slides 2-5 please include one picture and 3 sentences on the major events in the story. You must include character names, setting, and plot.
 - On slide 6 please include the lesson you learned from the book.
- ❖ **Activity #2** Use Google Docs (**username/password**) or Word document to write an email from one character to another discussing their feelings about an major event in the book.
 - Must include opening and closing (Dear, Sincerely, etc)
 - Must be at least 2 paragraphs in length
 - Google Docs will save to the Google Drive
 - If writing a Word document, it must be printed and brought into school on the first day.
- ❖ **Activity #3** Create a book review using Google Docs or Word document.
 - Review should provide five positive and negative features of the book in sentence form.
 - Must have one paragraph for positive and one paragraph for negative features.

*A practice page of cursive writing is included in the packet. Each student is expected to be able to write and understand cursive writing upon entering fourth grade. Please have your child practice daily.

Fourth Grade Supply List

Please label all your child's supplies with their name and room number. Most of the items can be purchased at a local dollar store.

- Number 2 pencils (your child is expected to have 3 pencils each day)
- 4 black or blue pens (no gel pens)
- 3 boxes of tissues
- 2 packages of wide-ruled loose leaf paper
- 6 copybooks (black and white marble covers)
- 4 pocket folders
- 1 pack of markers
- pencil case
- 2 packs of Dry Erase markers
- 1 old sock
- 1 bottle of glue or glue stick
- 2 large Ziploc bags
- 1 package of construction paper
- 2 highlighters
- 1 roll of paper towels
- 2 packages of post-it notes
- 2 containers of Antibacterial wipes
- 1 set of earbuds to be used for technology

Math Topics to Practice for 4th grade

- Multiplication (make flash cards of all facts 1-10)
- Subtraction to the hundreds (regrouping)
- Addition to the hundreds (regrouping)
- Rounding up to the thousands place value
- Clock (hour, half-hour, quarter of, quarter past)

Math Websites

<https://www.khanacademy.org/commoncore/grade-4-G>

<http://pbskids.org/cyberchase/math-games/>

<http://www.ixl.com/math/grade-4>

<http://www.xpmath.com/forums/commonCoreStateStandardsByGrade.php#grade234>

<http://mrnussbaum.com/mathcode/>