



The fourth grade teachers would like to welcome all fourth grade students and families to the new school year. There are lots of great things in store for you, and we are very excited to get the year started! In fourth grade, students will review and build upon many of the concepts they have learned in past years, as well as learn many new ones. One main difference students will experience is BYOD (Bring Your Own Device). Students in fourth and fifth grade are permitted to bring their personal laptops and tablets as part of our BYOD program. Teachers will be sharing information about this program at **Meet the Teacher on August 22nd from 4-6.** Please bring your child's device to Meet the Teacher in order to log it onto our network. You will be given a contract for you and your child to sign. You can read more about the [BYOD program on our school website](#). Students cannot bring a device to school without a signed contract. Cell phones and iPod touches are not permitted. Also, some homework will be required to be completed online; more information about that will be provided at the beginning of the school year. This year we will also have curriculum-related field trips that will provide each student with a fun, educational, and meaningful experience. We encourage all of you to sign up to be a volunteer at Meet the Teacher.

Curriculum Snap-Shot:

Reading: Students will work on building reading stamina, fluency, and comprehension. They will work on many skills, including making connections and predictions, determining point-of-view, and locating information in informational text.

Math: Students will continue to develop their multiplication and division skills as we move into multi-digit multiplication and long division. Students will also be exposed to deeper fraction concepts, as well as introduced to decimals. It is imperative that students come in to 4th grade with a mastery of multiplication facts from 0 - 12.

Writing: Students will write a variety of pieces ranging from narratives to poetry. They will also be required to write two North Carolina content-area writing pieces throughout the year.

Science: Students will participate in various science units throughout the year, including Earth Materials, Magnetism and Electricity, and Animal Studies. These kits will allow students time to complete hands-on investigation and experiments.

Social Studies: Students will be immersed in North Carolina's culture, people, economy, and regions.

The fourth grade teachers are looking forward to getting to know your child and family. We know that the school year is going to be great!

See you in August!

The Fourth Grade Team