

Welcome 4E Families!

I am thrilled and excited to be your 4th grade teacher for the 2026-2027 school year! My name is Ms. El-Lakkis and I will be teaching you through our fun-filled fourth-grade journey! I have been teaching in Wellesley for 14 years. This is my 9th year teaching fourth grade!



This summer, I spent a lot of time with my family, friends, and my two dogs. I went to the beach, took a lot of walks, completed some house projects, and read/listened to a lot of great books. I worked at my family's businesses as well as grew tomatoes and basil in my garden. You will hear me talk about two things a lot this year! One thing is my eight nieces and nephews, soon to be nine in December. I saw them SO much this summer! We went to parks, museums, ate A TON of ice cream, and went to the beach. Second, you will hear a lot about Olive and Basil! They are my two female Shih Zhus who like to see their neighborhood friends on our walks and lay out their toys EVERYWHERE! When I am not with my family and friends, I like to cook and bake, read, write in my journal, complete word searches, and take pictures. I can't wait to hear about your summer and the things you like to do!

Fourth grade is an adventure! We will become better writers, strengthen our math skills, travel (by research) to different regions of the United States, and dive into science topics on plants, mammals, energy, and weathering. We will become well-rounded readers, exploring both fiction and nonfiction texts. We will become masters in using different iPad tools too! Our year will be busy and sometimes challenging, but it will be fun and engaging. Are you ready?

For the first day of school, please bring your own pencil case (I also have some) AND a picture of you doing something you love or enjoy. The picture will become part of our class family wall! [Click here to see what other materials you can buy for this school year](#). Most materials from this list will become part of our community class supply. Also, please make sure to fill out [PickUp Patrol information](#) by the first day of school. In addition to filling out PickUp Patrol, please fill out this [Google Form](#) as soon as you can, to help me better know your child and family.

I hope you are just as excited about the first day of school as I am! If you have any questions during the first few days don't hesitate to ask. I'm looking forward to being your teacher, getting to know you, and building a strong classroom community together! **I'll see you on Wednesday, September 2nd!**

Warmly,
Ms. El-Lakkis