2026-2027 School Year

Hello 4th Grade Parents,

My name is Tiffany Willey and I will be your child's 4th grade teacher! This is my 21st year teaching. I have two children and we live here in Woolwich. Makenna is in 7th grade at Kingsway Middle School and Jaxon is in fourth grade right here at Harker. My favorite things are my kids, coffee, reading, holidays and the beach! I can't wait to learn more about your child's favorites.

Below is some helpful information for our classroom:

Folders: Your child has been given a folder at school, which will be sent home every day. Please check it on a daily basis. All correspondence from the office or from me will be included in it. If you need to write a note to either the office or to me, please include it in the folder.

Assignment Book: Just a reminder to review your child's assignment book each night. He/She will be responsible for completing all assigned work. It is not required of you to sign the agenda book each night.

Contacting me: Email is the best way to reach me, especially during the school day when calls go to voicemail. My email address is twilley@swsdk6.com.

Assessments: Assessments will be sent home for you to review periodically in an assessment folder. We are using a letter grading system this year. There will also be a sheet for you to sign off saying you reviewed all assessments. This sheet should be returned to school in the folder. There will be more information in the folder informing you which assessments, if any, need to be returned to school.

Snack: Our lunch is early this year, 10:40am. Therefore, we have a scheduled snack in the afternoon. Please make sure snacks are tree nut and peanut free. Please also make sure snacks are healthy and easy to eat while students continue to work (nothing that requires dipping or utensils).Please stress to your child not to eat all their snacks during lunch.

Water bottles: Water bottles will be kept in cubbies during the day. There will be certain times during the day when students are permitted to get a drink. Please make sure water bottles have a flip top lid to avoid spills (no stanleys with visible straws or screw top caps that are removed for drinking).

Specials: This year we are following a 6 day rotation schedule. Our special schedule is as follows.

DAY A: PE

DAY B: STEAM

DAY C: PE

DAY D: Music

DAY E: World Cultures

Day F: Art

Each day students will write which special they have the following day in their assignment books. Remind your children to wear sneakers for PE days.

Class Dojo: Class Dojo will be used for reminders, updates and pictures. Per school policy, Class Dojo won't be used for one to one messaging. Every Friday an update will be posted with information for the following week including gym days, special events, assessments, as well as a brief description of what we are doing in each subject.

Behavior Policy: Students start the day with three stars on their desks. Students who keep three stars will receive a punch on their punch card and a ticket in the Comet Cash Collection bin. Once a punch card is full (twelve punches), students will scratch off their mystery sticker to reveal their prize. There are also opportunities for whole class rewards. Each day agendas will be stamped showing how many stars your child kept.

Secret Student: Each day I randomly select a secret student. I watch that person all day for exceptional behavior, especially in the hallway when walking to and from our room. If at the end of the day, the student made good choices, I will announce the secret student to the class. They receive a pencil and another ticket for the Comet Case bin.

Hopefully I have given you a little insight into how things work in our classroom. I look forward to working with you throughout the school year!

Thank you,

Tiffany Willey