

The ABC's of 4th Grade

Welcome to 4th grade! We are thrilled to have you and your child as a part of our 4th grade family! Below, you will find important information and procedures that we will use this year! Please read these carefully and discuss them with your child. Keep this as a helpful reminder throughout the year. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns!

Absences

Students are encouraged to be in school every day. Much of what we do each day is hands-on, completed with a partner, or can only be done after a specific lesson. Therefore, it is difficult to send "make-up" work home in many cases. If your child is absent, please contact your child's teacher right away!

Clothing

Except for periods of extreme weather, our class will go outside for physical activity each day. Please have students wear **safe** shoes (rubber soles, no flip flops please) so that they may actively participate in all activities.

Communication

We are happy to speak with you about any concern you may have. 4th grade planning is from 10:50- 11:40 each day. That would be when teachers are available to meet with you if needed. Please also be sure to read the 4th grade newsletter, which is sent out on Friday afternoons.

Email

The best way to communicate with teachers is through email. Email will be checked daily. Teachers will do their best to respond within 24 hours.

Field Trips

Our grade level will schedule field trips to extend and enrich our curriculum. We would like to include parent chaperones. However, you must be approved by CMS to go on the trip.

Guests

All volunteers must be registered and sign in using Lobby Guard in the front office.

Homework

We encourage students to read every evening. We will also send home a math worksheet every Monday. This sheet will contain one question per evening that reflects the concept/skill taught that day. HW is OPTIONAL. We will review it for notes and/or demonstration of understanding, but we will NOT be tracking for completion.

Instructional Time

Please try to schedule any doctor's appointments during our specials time (10:50-11:40)

Lunch

Class lunch times:

Laird/Bryant- 12:50- 1:20

Kramer- 12:52- 1:22

Plano- 12:54- 1:24

Preece- 12:56- 1:26

Holtzaple 12:58- 1:28

Money

All fees are to be paid online this year. This includes lunch. You can monitor your child's lunch account by going to www.paypams.com. If you need help with this process you can e-mail questions to paypams@cms.k12.nc.us.

Nuts:

There are several students in our school with peanut/tree nut allergies. Students who have these allergies will use the allergy table in the cafeteria during lunch time. Your teacher will reach out if there are specific allergies in your classroom this school year.

Parent Conferences

Parent conferences will be scheduled at the end of the first quarter. We will discuss the specific time you will meet with me at a later date. Parents may ask for additional conferences as needed. I am happy to talk with you about any concerns you have at any time of the year as long as it does not interrupt instructional time. I may also contact you for a meeting if I feel it is necessary to benefit your child.

PTA.

Our PTA does a tremendous job of supporting our teachers and students. Our class goal is 100% membership!

Special Area Schedule

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Tech	Kramer	Preece	Plano	Holtzapple	Long	
Art		Kramer	Preece	Plano	Holtzapple	Laird
Music	Laird		Kramer	Preece	Plano	Holtzapple
P.E	Holtzapple	Laird		Kramer	Preece	Plano
Media	Plano	Holtzapple	Laird		Kramer	Preece
Science	Preece	Plano	Holtzapple	Laird		Kramer

Snacks

Students may bring a small, healthy snack to have during our morning snack time this school year. Please avoid packing a snack containing nuts.

Transportation

Changes in afternoon transportation **must** be sent in writing to the front office by 11 am. Students are NOT allowed to ride home with a friend on their school bus.

Weekly Folders

Weekly Folders will be sent home on Wednesdays with important information and student work. Please return items placed in the "Return" side and keep items placed in the "Keep" side. Folders should be returned on Thursday.

ZZZs

We work hard in fourth grade. Please be sure that your child gets lots of rest by going to bed at a reasonable hour each night so he/she is prepared each morning.

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THE BOTTOM PORTION ONLY

I have read and discussed the expectations with my child.

Parent's signature _____ Date _____

I have read and discussed the expectations with my parent/guardian.

Student's signature _____ Date _____