Dear Class,

Welcome to 4th grade! I look forward to getting to know each and every one of you! I am thrilled to be your teacher and to learn about your families and pets, your favorite activities to do outside of school, your favorite subjects in school (besides PE and art), and the unique qualities that make you so very special. I want to be sure that you know all of these things about me, too.

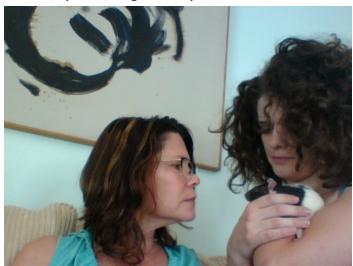
I live with my husband, Scott, and our two children. My mother and grandmother live across the street at Brookdale Assisted Living. That's a place for old folks. My children are Whitney and Casey. Scott is an electrical engineer and designs cool electronic gizmos at Apple. My children are teenagers, now, yikes! Whitney is 22 and attends Cabrillo College and is majoring in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math). She will work with Mrs. Dudley, Ms. Martin, Ms. Libby and Ms. Treen's classes again this year and help with science and the garden. Say hi if you see her!



Casey is 20 and is working at Jamba Juice. He is now enrolled at Cabrillo and starts college August 27th. My mother is 81 and is a fine artist. She paints large paintings like the one in the background here. My grandmother is a retired nurse and is 108--OMG! My family has some interesting pets. We have a cat, 2 crested geckos, a Martinique tree spider, a frog and many beautiful fresh and salt water fish.



My favorite activities outside of school are taking walks in the redwoods, reading great books, fixing up my house, and gardening. My favorite subjects in school are reading, math, writing, science and the arts--pretty much everything! I love school and I love learning things! I can't wait to teach you things this year.



One of the unique qualities that makes me so special is that I love to teach kids. I hope you have enjoyed learning about me. I look forward to learning all about you and what makes you so very special.

Yours truly, Mrs. Young