

August 2025

Dear 4th Grader,



Welcome to fourth grade at Holland Brook School! I have been teaching in Readington Township since 2001, and this is my seventh year at H.B.S. I am thrilled to be here, and I am looking forward to helping you make the transition to your new school. You will be meeting new friends and exploring many different topics with them. During the year, you will learn how to increase your reading stamina and develop your comprehension, and you will write with more detail while exploring different genres. You will solve more complicated math problems with your partners and experiment with energy and Earth materials. One of my goals is to make your learning experience fun and exciting, and you will have some time to explore your own interests as well.

I hope that you are enjoying your last days of summer. This summer I visited many places. During my trip to Ventnor, NJ I saw dolphins swimming right next to my boat. In Wildwood, NJ, I was able to visit the beach and watch my daughter dance in the Nationals Competition. Also, we visited Newport, Rhode Island and Boston, Massachusetts for a quick weekend trip. Finally, I participated in hiking, gardening, bike-riding, swimming, reading, and paddle boarding at Round Valley.

I can't wait to hear about your summer experiences. Please have 1 or 2 pictures to share on the first day of school. Pictures may include fun family events, vacations, sports, local places visited etc. Make sure to bring a favorite book to share with a friend as well. Remember to bring all of your school supplies to class. The supply list link is on my webpage. Here is what you need:

6 Composition Books - Wide Ruled - Black Marble (100 count)

Folders - Plastic & Pocket (No Holes) in the Following Colors:

1 Blue, 1 Green, 1 Orange, 1 Purple, 1 Red, 1 Yellow

1 Colored Pencils - Crayola - 8 count

4 Black Dry Erase Markers - Expo - Black - Chisel

1 Eraser - Pink Pearl - Papermate - Large - 1Pk  
3 Pencil boxes - Ticonderoga -Pre-Sharpened - No. 2 - 12 Pack  
1 Sharpie Black Marker  
1 set of Markers (Pack)  
1 Tape roll  
1 Ruler  
1 pair of Scissors  
4 Glue Sticks  
1 Pencil Case

Headphones with a microphone/earbuds

Looking forward to meeting you soon.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Higdon