

Dear Parents,

We look forward to having your child in fourth grade next school year. We, as a fourth-grade team, have some suggestions to help your child get off to a great start in this important year. Many students often 'lose' some of their skills over the summer so to retain what your child has already learned we have some suggestions. These suggestions are strongly encouraged and designed to help your student have a successful year.

### **Expectations by the beginning of Fourth Grade:**

Come to school on the first day prepared with gift card **or** school supplies.

Homework will be assigned Monday-Thursday and is a REQUIREMENT to enforce skills learned at school.

**Know all addition, subtraction, and multiplication facts by rote memory. If not, practice over the summer! *\*\*This is EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. You child will not be as successful as possible without this.***

Be able to read independently for 20 minutes on grade level.

Know that listening and following directions are particularly important to success.

Be familiar with cursive writing and able to write neatly in print.

**Writing is a vital part of our curriculum. Be able to write a paragraph which is indented, focused on one topic, has beginning capitalization, and end punctuation on each sentence with supporting details.**

Realize that good listeners make good learners.

Be capable of working independently, waiting their turn, respecting fellow students and teachers, and turning all work in on time.

**FRECKLE/ LexiaCore** is available to students all summer. Have your child practice for 20 minutes several times a week.

Have a happy summer. We look forward to seeing you in August.

The Fourth Grade Teachers