



Dear Fourth Grade Families,

Welcome to fourth grade! Get ready for a fun and exciting year full of experiences and learning. We will be learning about California history in Social Studies. We have the chance to explore Native American Indians, Explorers, California Missions, and most exciting of all.... The Gold Rush! Since we are located close to most historical events, we are privileged to visit Gold Bug Park in Placerville where gold was discovered, and spend a day as Pioneers. Science allows us to explore waves of sound, the birth of rocks, and the human machine.

Fourth graders develop as writers and learn how to write narratives, informational reports, and opinion writing. The novels we read are exciting and relate to the themes we teach in school. Get ready to read Fourth Grade Rats, Island of the Blue Dolphins, By the Great Horn Spoon, Patty Reed's Doll, and other favorites. In fourth grade we will be using Everyday Math learning about multidigit addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, geometry, place value, fractions, decimals, and measurement. Memorizing your addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division math facts now will **absolutely** help you in 4th grade math!

The following is a list of items your child can bring on the first day of school. We send this letter early to give you plenty of time to pick up sales or buy a little at a time. If there is a financial hardship, please let us know.

We will collect some of these items on the first day of school and use them throughout the school year. Most of the items will be kept in your child's desk for them to use.

Throughout the year, your child may need to replenish their supplies especially dry erase markers, pencils, and erasers!! Enjoy your summer and we look forward to seeing you Thursday, August 15th at 8:30am on the back playground!! Students will be lining up on either dot #16 for Mrs. Chaffee or #17 for Mrs. Wade!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Chaffee kchaffee@loomisk8.org and Mrs. Wade twade@loomisk8.org

List of supplies for your child to place in their own desk:

- 2 composition books
- 1 red plastic pocket folder with their name on it (plastic lasts all year)
- 1 pocket plastic folder of your choice with their name on it (plastic lasts all year)
- Personal pair of earbuds or headphones labeled with your child's name

2 Pencil pouches:

- 1st pencil pouch filled with: 1 package of 12 colored pencils, a pen, at least 5 sharpened pencils, pencil sharpener with pencil shaving container, 1 pink or white pencil eraser, and a highlighter
- 2nd pencil pouch filled with: 1 pair of scissors labeled with their name, 1 glue stick, 3-6 dry erase black whiteboard markers (no colored please, as they stain), whiteboard dry eraser

To be Collected:

- 1 tub of antibacterial wipes or a bottle of hand sanitizers

- 1 glue bottle
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 box of 12-24 crayons (twistable crayons suggested)
- 1 package of 8 markers
- Extra pencils, glue sticks that you would like to donate

Supplies requested by Mrs. Weston to bring on the first day of Spanish: (your child will not need to bring on the first day of school)

- 1 Sharpened Pencils 24pk
- Composition books (4th and 5th)
- 3 pk pink erasers
- 4pk giant glue sticks