

Newsletter for Ms. Rechtfertig's 4th Grade

August 31, 2012



A. What Has the Class Been Doing?

The children began a story in their reader about the Alaskan Iditarod race. In Math they are reviewing basic math facts and working with a variety of new geometry concepts and tools.

In Science, the children are learning to imagine abstract concepts in physical science - such as atoms and static electricity. In Social Studies they are collaborating in a variety of team activities to learn about the California regions. In written composition, the children have begun a narrative about ancient Californians. The children are learning to become organized fourth graders. A challenge math group has been established, and they've begun working together.

B. Back to School Night

I look forward to seeing everyone on Thursday, 6:30pm-8:00pm. If you like, you can preview the various handouts, which are posted on the class homepage. There will also be a Coloma orientation, and the opportunity to volunteer to be a parent chaperone. There will be sign-up sheets for volunteers, conferences, and contact information.

C. NEW VOLUNTEER GUIDELINES

The school has adopted a new set of Volunteer Guidelines, which teachers are introducing and discussing at BTSN. As a heads-up, I've attached a copy. If you have any questions, please let me know.

D. Class Wishlist Items

Thank you so much for the donations. The class is loving the new pencil sharpener, markers, and everything.

E. Dates to Remember

1. Lunch Service begins: September 4th
2. Music Program begins: September 6th

Thanks, and I am really enjoying working with your children,

Ms. Mary Ann Rechtfertig

