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Dear Parents,

I'm so pleased to be your child's teacher this year. As the first year in upper elementary, fourth grade is an exciting experience during which children take on more responsibility and learn many new subjects.



Wednesday, August 22nd, is Visitation Day. If you're available, please stop by Room D-14 with your child between 11:00 a.m. and noon. Sign-up sheets will be available for volunteer opportunities and for scheduling your October parent/teacher conference. (Sign-ups will also be available at Back to School Night on Thursday, September 6th.)

I invite you to learn more about 4th grade by visiting our class web page at <http://www.dixieschool.com/grade4/4th-grade>. Currently posted is the Back to School Night packet and a variety of other information. Also, for easy communication, please give me your email address by sending me a message at mrecht@marin.k12.ca.us. If email doesn't work for you, just let me know.

It's helpful for your child to begin school with the supplies listed below. Please do not send in many extra supplies because they tend to become distractions or make it hard for your child to stay organized. Be sure to label supplies with your child's name. Please: No post-it notes or binders.

- An expandable file with one, or more, sections
- Two wide-ruled single-subject spiral notebooks
- A pair of scissors
- One wide-tipped highlighter, any color
- One set of fine-point colored markers
- One set of colored pencils
- Sharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- A very small (must fit inside desk) pencil box, or a pencil bag
- Two extra fine-point Sharpies - black
- One dry erase board eraser (or a clean sock works well)
- A sturdy reusable water bottle
- One or more boxes of Kleenex to share with the class
- A set of multiplication and division flashcards for home

Please let me know if you have questions, or if there is anything you'd like me to know about your child, before school starts. See you soon!

Ms. Mary Ann Rechtfertig

