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4th Grade Bradley International School Newsletter Spring 2019

4th Grade Classroom Teachers: Mrs. Butcher, Mrs. Leier and Mrs. Sanchez



Classroom Curriculum

- **Literacy:** Strategies and skills to increase reading comprehension (specifically informational comprehension) will continue to be the focus for the remainder of the year. This includes summarizing stories and responding to literature through writing. Students have been following the i-Ready Common Core State Standards Curriculum for reading which helps strengthen these skills. This also helps to build mastery for upcoming assessments and Star Testing. We are so proud to continue the Accelerated Reading Program at Bradley this year.
- **Writing:** Students have been following the i-Ready Curriculum for writing which includes descriptive narratives, opinions and informational pieces. Students are required to write a five paragraph essay which consists of an introduction paragraph, three body paragraphs and a conclusion paragraph.
- **Math:** We are continuing our units on fraction and decimals. We continue to use the i-Ready math curriculum in trimester three. After fractions, we will focus on volume, weight, capacity of an object and geometry. We will also continue our emphasis on multiplication, division, multi-step math problems and explaining our thinking.
- **PYP/Social Studies/Science:** We just completed a unit on *How We Organize Ourselves (Economy)* and created regional monopoly games to better understand a region's economy. In our current unit of inquiry, *How We Express Ourselves (Colorado)*, we will explore Colorado's geography, government, history and how it relates to the world.
- **How to Support At Home:** CMAS testing may be a mentally exhausting time for your child. Please ensure that your child gets plenty of rest, nutritious meals (especially breakfast) and lots of positive reinforcement so that they will feel confident in their abilities during the assessments. Please encourage your student to take this test seriously and try their hardest every day. **Attendance, as well as prompt arrival during this time, is extremely important.** Please do not schedule any appointments—doctors, dentists, etc.—during this time period.



Dates to Remember for 4th Grade

- Monday, March 4th- No School (teacher planning)
- Wednesday, March 13th- IB Science and Social Studies Family Night 5-7pm
- Friday, March 15th- Lifetouch Class & Individual Pictures
- CMAS tests – March 21st-22nd; April 9th-10th; April 16th-17th
- March 25th – 29th – Spring Break
- Friday, April 5th – Early Release (12:45pm)
- Saturday, April 27th – PTO Casino Night DTC Maggiano's
- Monday, April 29th- No school (teacher planning)
- Friday, May 3rd – Early Release (12:45pm)

- Thursday, May 9th – Colorado Day
- Monday, May 27th – No school (Memorial Day)
- Wednesday, May 29th – Field Day
- Thursday, May 31st – Last Day of School Dismissal 12:45pm