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4th Grade Bradley International School Newsletter Fall 2018

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



Classroom Curriculum

- **Literacy (Reading and Writing):** Fourth grade students will focus on non-fiction and informational text to gather information in both reading and writing. We are continuing to use the Ready Writing curriculum which will help students learn to use evidence from text when supporting their writing. The use of non-fiction text features and the knowledge of cause and effect will allow students to research information to increase their understanding of writing an expository essay. We also continue to use the Ready Reading curriculum with which students practice comprehension and reading skills. Students have shown a positive response to the Accelerated Reader program with many students already striving to meet their point goals.
- **Math:** In the second trimester, we will focus on math fluency with basic addition, subtraction, multiplication and division facts. It is imperative that students learn these facts so *please continue to work on these facts nightly at home.* We are continuing to use Ready Common Core Math which will better prepare students for real world math situations.
- **PYP/Social Studies/Science:** Our first unit of inquiry for the year, *Where We Are In Place and Time (Immigration)*, was a fantastic learning experience for the students to discover why different cultural groups have immigrated into and out of Colorado. Our next unit of inquiry, *Sharing the Planet (Ecosystems)*, will challenge our students to think about the different ecosystems in Colorado and how plants and animals adapt to their surrounding ecosystem.



How to Support At Home:

- Please continue to check your child's homework to make sure that it is completed. Thank you for supporting **the 40 minutes of nightly reading.** This is essential to improving your child's reading level!
- Please encourage your child to pay attention to detail as they complete their homework, focusing on neatness and correct spelling.
- Please continue to work on multiplication facts nightly at home.



Other Announcements

- A special thanks to the many parents who attended Back to School Night and Math Night. Your continued concern and support of your child's educational progress is outstanding!



Dates to Remember for 4th Grade

- November 19-23rd - THANKSGIVING BREAK – NO SCHOOL
- December 7th - Early Dismissal – 12:45 pm
- December 13th - PTO meeting
- January 15th – Feb. 15th - DPS School of Choice Enrollment
- December 17th - Last week of 2nd Enrichment
- December 24-January 4th - Winter Break – NO SCHOOL
- January 10th – PTO Meeting
- January 21st – Martin Luther King Jr. Day – NO SCHOOL
- February 1st – Teacher Planning Day – NO SCHOOL
- February 8th – PTO Spelling Challenge
- February 12th – PTO Meeting
- February 18th – President’s Day – NO SCHOOL
- February 22nd - End of 2nd Trimester