



# MRS. WAYNE'S CLASS NEWS



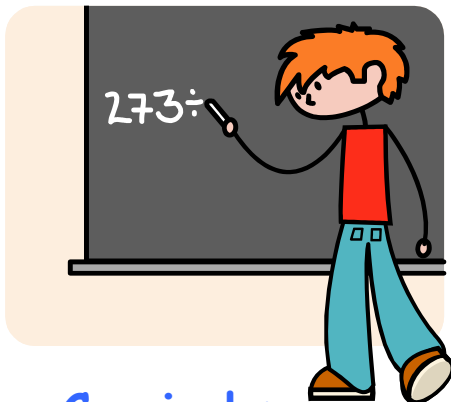
Sage Canyon  
Elementary

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## Welcome to Fourth Grade

### Welcome

Welcome to fourth grade! Becoming a part of the intermediate grades will make this an exciting year for your child. The fourth grade curriculum will challenge the students as they enjoy increased independence and responsibility. I have high expectations and am confident that working together with you, your child will have a rewarding year. I look forward to a fun and successful year with you and your fourth graders!



### The Curriculum

Reading, writing, and math skills and understandings will be enriched with breadth and depth this year. In science, the students will explore energy, ecosystems, fossils, and the solar system. Our social studies theme this year is Colorado. Areas of study include history, geography, economics, and civics.

### Volunteers

I truly appreciate volunteers! The following opportunities are available: correcting papers (may be done from home), working with students (reading, writing, and math) daily 2:45 - 3:30, Thursday folder preparation, and field trips. You may sign up at Back-to-School Night or on my website thereafter.

### Homework Expectations

Along with increased responsibility comes more homework. While I never want homework to feel like a burden to your family, your child is expected to always turn homework in on time.

With the exception of math homework and unfinished class work, homework will go home on Fridays and will be due the following Friday. You can expect about 50 minutes of homework per day. Generally, homework will consist of the following:

- \* Reading – 30 minutes per day, plus completion of a reading log
- \* Math – practice assigned daily
- \* Spelling – activities and review of words
- \* Unfinished class work
- \* Occasional projects (when projects are assigned all other homework is minimized)

### Keeping in Touch

I believe that maintaining strong lines of communication with parents is essential for student success. Look for weekly missing work reports and monthly newsletters in Thursday folders. I update my website weekly. Please try to access it at least once a week. I post class work, projects, homework, important dates, newscasts, and documents there. I use email to keep parents in-the-know. Please feel free to email or call me anytime with questions, concerns, or to share news about your child. My contact information is below.

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