

<u>Parent Update</u> 4th Grade January 21, 2020

WHAT'S NEW!

- PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, DO NOT remove papers from your child's folder, with the exception of those in the very back, Leave at Home pocket. Several students do not have materials they need in class when packets or worksheets we are in the progress of completing are removed.
- Both Think Central (the reading book) and ConnectEd(math book) are online now.
- Infinite Campus is ready to accept fieldtrip fees. We are planning our first fieldtrip, so please be sure to log in so we have sufficient funds. Thank you for your assistance with this.

What's Happening in our classes?

Reading: Students will read and analyze the story in the Journeys textbook, **Ecology For Kids** They will be focusing on Main Idea and Details Author's Word Choice

This week's reading objectives are:

- Text and Graphic Features
- Analyze and Argument
- Monitor and Clarify

Vocabulary:

organisms	directly	affect
traces	vast	habitats
variety	spices	banned
radiation		

Language Arts: Grammar- Irregular Verbs

Spelling: Change final y to i

Spelling week # 23					
tiniest	hobbies	copied	countries	pitied	
easier	laziest	families	spied	happiest	
ladies	friendlier	studied	busier	breezier	
prettiest	noisier	healthier	butterflies	funniest	
Challenge words					
heaviest	categories	communities	multiplied	qualities	

Math: In math students are learning about fractions. They are learning how to add, subtract do mixed number and improper fractions.

Social Sciences: We will be working on our AZ studies unit. We will be learning about AZ becoming a state and our state government. This unit will take us up to AZ birthday on February 14!

How to sign up for E-ALERTS http://www.chandler.k12.az.us/register (be sure to subscribe to Fourth Grade Team)

Please note: When you are trying to access our teacher pages on the Haley website for information, you may need to scroll down the page.

Coming Events:

January 23	Mother Son night at top golf
January 28	food night at Wildflower cafe
January 30	Student-Led Conference sign up emailed at 3:30
February 12/13	Early Release 11:30 Conference
February 14	Jump Rope For Heart
February 17	No School Presidents Day

Class Room Donations Needed:

Community supply of healthy snacks. NO NUTS for snacks in the 4th grade, please! We have several students with severe allergies. Please help us maintain a safe environment for all of our students! Thank you!

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A note from the principal~

PARENTS wanting to eat lunch with your child during the school year:

Children love to have their parents bring them a special lunch from time to time. Unfortunately, our current challenge is seating space during our busy lunch schedule. We are asking for your support this year to help us with our seating challenge during lunch.

Some alternatives to consider:

- 1) You are welcome to check your child out for lunch- remember they only have 40 minutes for their lunch period. 20 minutes on the playground and 20 minutes in the cafeteria.
- 2) You are welcome to drop off your child a special lunch or stay and stand behind or to the side of the lunch table.

Unfortunately, we will not have a guest table this year. All tables will be used this year due to having additional sections of 3rd and 5th grade. We sure do appreciate your understanding and cooperation! Once the new school opens next year, we should see some of space freed up so parent visits at lunchtime would be back in full swing.

Birthdays

Birthday parties are an important part of each child's life. However, student birthday parties are not held at school. This policy helps to ensure that instructional time is protected and that all children are treated equally.

The school and teacher have a variety of ways for recognizing students' birthdays that do not interfere with instruction and that do not create inequities for children.

Food is often a part of school celebrations. When planning snacks for school celebrations, remember that state law requires that <u>no home-cooked food</u> be distributed to students during school hours. This practice is intended to protect students from the spread of communicable disease. Additionally, students will not be permitted to deliver treats, etc., to other classrooms to minimize disruptions. Thank you for your understanding and support.