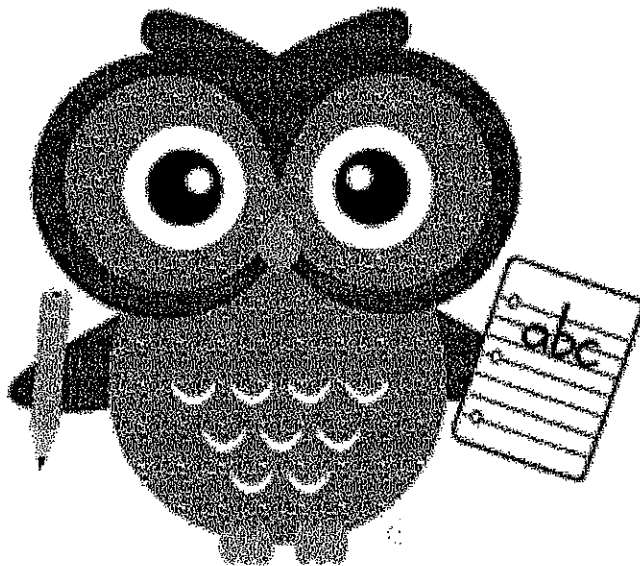


Welcome to 4th Grade!

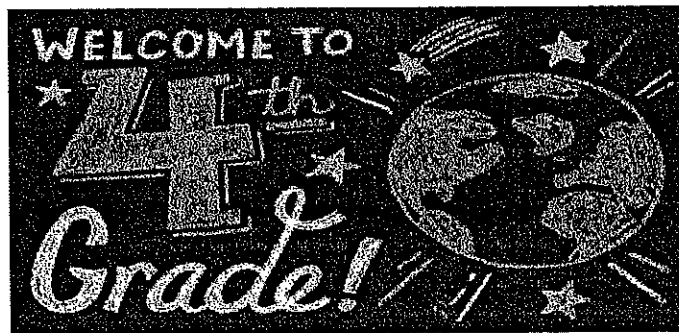


Fourth Grade Supply List

2022-2023

- 1 dozen #2 pencils, sharpened
- 1 package of 16 colored pencils, sharpened OR crayons
- 1 box of 12 color washable markers, fine tip
- 1 yellow highlighter, chisel tip
- 1 fabric pencil case
- 1 Elmer's Washable Purple Glue Stick (large size- 0.77 oz)
- 1 pair of scissors 5" pointed tip
- 2 Post-its, yellow 3"x3" 100 sheets
- 2 Sharpie ultra-fine point permanent markers (Black)
- 1 package of dry erase markers, 4 pack (Black)
- 1 dry-erase eraser (or an old sock will do!)
- 7 2-pocket folders (Literacy, Take Home, School, Word Study, Math, Science & Social Studies, French/Spanish)
- 3 marble notebooks, Wide Ruled (Literacy, Word Study, French/Spanish)
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 2 canisters of bleach free disinfecting wipes
- 1 box of sandwich size Ziplock baggies

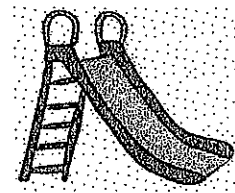
Please label all supplies with your child's name



Note: You must bring in a chapter book you have read over the summer by the end of the first week of school.

10 Ways to Prevent the “Summer Slide”

Did you know that children can lose up to three months of academic progress over the summer? Over 100 years of research continually shows this trend.



Here are ten things you can do to help your child avoid the summer slide.

1. Read EVERY day! Read non-fiction, fiction, e-books, poetry, newspapers and read out loud! Encourage your child to take advantage of every opportunity to read. Find them throughout the day:
 - Morning: The newspaper — even if it is just the comics or today's weather.
 - Daytime: Schedules, TV guides, magazines, online resources, etc. For example, if your daughter likes the food channel, help her look for a recipe on the network's Web site — then cook it together for more reading practice.
 - Evening: End the day by having your child read to you from the book he is currently reading (one of the six books, above). Have him rehearse a paragraph, page, or chapter before reading to you. Rereading will help him be more fluent — able to read at an appropriate speed, correctly, and with nice expression
2. Cook with your children. This is one of the best ways to integrate math, reading and following directions. Let your child design the menu too! Help your child put together their favorite recipes in a cookbook.
3. Plant a garden. Your child will gain responsibility and pride as they watch their plants grow and thrive.
4. Take a field trip to a museum, zoo or local park with walking trails. Keep a journal about your travels.
5. Learn a new word each week! Hang it on the fridge and see who can use it the most times throughout the week.
6. Enroll in a quality summer program that will provide your child with opportunities to build their critical thinking skills.
7. Play quick games with flashcards like Math War or Concentration to keep math skills sharp.
8. Listen to Audio Books during your road trip.
9. Take pictures and make a summer scrapbook.
10. Did I mention **READ?!** If your child does nothing else this summer make sure he/she is reading!
Your Goal: 6 Books- Research shows that reading just six books during the summer may keep a struggling reader from regressing. When choosing the six, be sure that they are just right — not too hard and not too easy. Take advantage of your local library. Ask for help selecting books that match your child's age, interests, and abilities. Libraries often run summer reading programs that motivate kids to read, so find out what's available in your area. Also, check our book list for recommendations (more can be found on our Schoology websites).

Just like with playing a sport, Reading and Math are skills that must be practiced. When a child spends hours a day hitting a baseball, swimming, shooting a basketball, they will progress. But say he then stops hitting balls for three months or takes a few months off from swimming. Will he hit a ball on the first swing? Will he swim as efficiently as before? No, but if he continues to practice a few times a week he should be able to maintain his skills. It is important to keep your child's mind engaged over the summer so they will not fall victim to the summer slide.

Suggested Summer Reading List for Students Entering 4th Grade

Informational/Biography/Nonfiction

Let It Begin Here! - Fradin, Dennis - In this rousing account of Paul Revere's ride and the Battles of Lexington and Concord, the details of the opening events of the Revolutionary War become clear and immediate. The excitement captured in the text is also expressed by the action packed illustrations.

Spiders - Rosing, Norbert - Did you know that spider web thread is a liquid that hardens? That it can be stronger than steel that is equally thick, that it can stretch two times its length, and can be thinner than human hair? Facts like these and spectacular close-up photographs make this a winner. A

Drop of Water - Wick, Walter- Art and science converge in photographs that make time stand still so that water's curious behavior can be recorded and explored. Notes on the experiments pictured suggest ways budding scientists can study droplets, bubbles, snowflakes, dew condensation, and other states of moisture.

Don't Know Much About the Fifty States - Davis, Kenneth. - Provides assorted facts about each of the fifty states in a fun question and answer format.

The World's Oceans - Green, Jen - An illustrated overview of the oceans, detailing why the tides are influenced by the moon, how underwater earthquakes shape the coastlines, the power of tsunamis, and more; and also discusses how global warming will impact ocean waters.

Owen & Mzee: The True Story of a Remarkable Friendship - Hatkoff, Isabella Illustrated text and full-color photographs tell the true story of the unusual relationship between Owen, a baby hippopotamus orphaned by the tsunami, and Mzee, a 130-year-old giant tortoise.

Earthquakes and Tsunamis - Jennings, Terry - An illustrated overview of earthquakes and tsunamis, detailing what causes them to occur and form and describes real-life events with photographs to show the devastation caused by these natural disasters.

DK Eyewitness Weather - Brian Cosgrove - straightforward and visually appealing mix of factual information about weather, plus interesting tidbits and loads of maps, photographs, illustrations, diagrams, and more. In kid-friendly language, the book covers all the basic weather topics, like forecasting, precipitation and clouds, thunder and lightning, frost and ice, etc.

Lincoln and His Boys- Rosemary Wells- An account of Abraham Lincoln as told by his two sons.

She Touched the World -Sally Hobart Alexander- This fascinating and moving biography shows how Laura Bridgman paved the way for future generations of children with disabilities, making possible important advances in the way they would be educated. As a blind person with some hearing loss, Sally Hobart Alexander lends a unique and intimate perspective to this inspiring account.

Top Secret: A Handbook of Codes, Ciphers, and Secret Writing - Paul B. Janeczko- A handbook for the budding cryptographer including codes and ciphers, invisible inks, concealment techniques, spy stories and some history.

Any biography by Jean Fritz

Literary-Historical Fiction

A Lion to Guard Us - Clyde Robert Bulla - Left on their own in seventeenth-century London, three impoverished children draw upon all their resources to stay together and make their way to the Virginia colony in search of their father.

Calico Bush - Rachel Field- Orphaned soon after her family's arrival in the New World, French immigrant Maggie must face a brutal winter in Maine, hostile Native Americans, and her own fears.

The Cabin Faced West - Jean Fritz - Ann Hamilton's family has moved to the western frontier of Pennsylvania, and she misses her old home in Gettysburg. There are no girls her age on Hamilton Hill, and life is hard. But when the Hamiltons survive a -year-old Ann overcomes loneliness and learns to appreciate the importance of her role in settling the wilderness of western Pennsylvania.

Series:

Little House on the Prairie- Laura Ingalls Wilder

Dear America -Various Authors

My America books- Various Authors

My Name is America- Various Authors

Literary-Realistic Fiction

Wonder -R. J. Palacio - The book that inspired the Choose Kind movement. August Pullman was born with a facial difference that, up until now, has prevented him from going to a mainstream school. Starting 5th grade at Beecher Prep, he wants nothing more than to be treated as an ordinary kid—but his new classmates can't get past Auggie's extraordinary face.

How to Eat Fried Worms - Thomas Rockwell - Because of a bet, Billy is in the uncomfortable position of having to eat fifteen worms in fifteen days. The worms are supplied by his opponent, whose motto is "The bigger and juicier, the better!" At first Billy's problem is whether or not he can swallow the worm placed before him, even with a choice of condiments from peanut butter to horseradish. But later it looks as if Billy will win, and the challenge becomes getting to the worm to eat it.

Lunch Money - Andrew Clements - When sixth-grader Greg Kenton decides to make money by selling his homemade comics, his principal has something to say about it. During his appeal to the School Committee, Greg discovers that business can be tough!

The River - Gary Paulsen - "We want you to do it again." These words, spoken to Brian Robeson, will change his life. Two years earlier, Brian was stranded alone in the wilderness for 54 days with nothing but a small hatchet. Yet he survived. Now the government wants him to go back into the wilderness so that astronauts and the military can learn the survival techniques that kept Brian alive. Soon the project backfires, though, leaving Brian with a wounded partner and a long river to navigate. His only hope is to build a raft and try to transport the injured man a hundred miles downstream to a trading post — if the map he has is accurate.

Maniac McGee - Jerry Spinelli - He wasn't born with the name Maniac Magee. He came into this world named Jeffrey Lionel Magee, but when his parents died and his life changed, so did his name. And Maniac Magee became a legend. But the thing Mania Magee is best known for is what he did for the kids from the East Side and those from the West Side.

Philip Hall Likes Me, I Reckon - Bette Greene -Sixth-grader Beth Lambert has the biggest crush on Philip Hall, the cutest, smartest boy in the class. Philip is so smart that he beats Beth at all of the things she's best at: schoolwork, coming up with crafty schemes, and even catching turkey thieves. Beth doesn't seem to mind at first, because it's all for fun — or is it? When Beth finally realizes that she's been letting Philip beat her at everything, she decides that it's time to be Number One again...no matter what it takes!

Fourth Grade Rats - Jerry Spinelli - Suds doesn't mind being in fourth grade, but he doesn't want to be a "rat." Ordinarily, this wouldn't be too much of a problem, except that his best friend, Joey, takes it very seriously. According to Joey, being a rat is the next step up to being a man. And if you're a rat, Joey explains, you can't cry or be afraid of things. You have to push little kids off swings.

Black Beauty - Anna Sewell, Written in the first person from the horse's perspective, this book reveals the plight of the workhorse in the 19th Century.

The Secret Garden – Frances Hodgson Burnett - After losing her parents, young Mary Lennox is sent from India to live in her uncle's gloomy mansion on the wild English moors. She is lonely and has no one to play with, but one day she learns of a secret garden somewhere in the grounds that no one is allowed to enter. Then Mary uncovers an old key in a flowerbed – and a gust of magic leads her to the hidden door. Slowly she turns the key and enters a world she could never have imagined.

Hoot - Carl Hiaasen– Everybody loves Mother Paula's pancakes. Everybody, that is, except the colony of cute but endangered owls that live on the building site of the new restaurant. Can the awkward new kid and his feral friend prank the pancake people out of town? Or is the owls' fate cemented in pancake batter?

My Side of the Mountain- Jean Craighead George- Sam Gibley is terribly unhappy living in New York City with his family, so he runs away to the Catskill Mountains to live in the woods—all by himself. With only a penknife, a ball of cord, forty dollars, and some flint and steel, he intends to survive on his own. Sam learns about courage, danger, and independence during his year in the wilderness, a year that changes his life forever.

Literary-Fantasy

George Washington's Socks - Elvira Woodruff - When five kids take a walk along Lake Levart late one night, a mysterious wooden rowboat beckons them aboard. As if in a trance, they all step inside. But what they don't realize is that this enchanted boat is headed backward in time, to the time of George Washington. And their neighborhood lake has been transformed into the icy Delaware River on the eve of the battle at Trenton. How will they ever find their way back to the safety of their familiar suburban homes? As Matthew, Quentin, Hooter, Tony, and Katie experience the American Revolution firsthand and learn the sobering realities of war, Elvira Woodruff spins a compelling historic fantasy that won't soon be forgotten.

Abel's Island - William Steig - Abel's place in his familiar mouse world has always been secure; he had an allowance from his mother, a comfortable home, and a lovely wife, Amanda. But one stormy August day, furious flood water carried him off and dumped him on an uninhabited island. Despite his determination and stubborn resourcefulness — he tried crossing the river with boats and ropes and even on stepping-stones — Abel can't find a way to get back home.

Sideways Stories from Wayside School - Louis Sachar - Wayside School was supposed to be 30 classrooms, one story high; but by mistake it was built straight up 30 stories. And that's not all that's funny here.

The Tale of Despereaux - Kate DiCamillo (2004 Newbery Winner). This is a great story for children. It is about a tiny mouse named Despereaux, a princess named Pea, a rat named Chiaroscuro, and a peasant girl named Miggery Sow. It is about bravery and love, hate and forgiveness, and mice.

Stuart Little - E.B. White "When Mrs. Frederick C. Little's second son arrived, everybody noticed that he was not much bigger than a mouse. The truth of the matter was, the baby looked very much like a mouse in every way." So begins E.B. White's tale of a sensitive, erudite mouse that is somehow born to a family of humans. Mr. and Mrs. Little name him Stuart and make him a tiny bed out of four clothespins and a cigarette box.

Literary Authors/ Series:

Judy Blume books

Beverly Cleary books

Matt Christopher (sports series)

Johanna Hurwitz books

39 Clues series—Various authors

The Lightning Thief series—Rick Riordan

Harry Potter series—J.K. Rowling

A Series of Unfortunate Events books—Lemony Snicket

The Spiderwick Chronicle series—Tony DiTerlizzi