



Our class News

August 2022

Mr. Olson's 4th Grade



I will be using REMIND.COM to send out reminders of things going on in our class.

1. If you have a smartphone, get push notifications: Open your web browser and go to the following link: rmd.at/olson22-23 Follow instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.
2. If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications: Text the message: @olson22-23 to the number 81010

I have created a web page for our class where your child's stories will be posted for you to read. Please be sure to check out all the information on our site. This site will be updated monthly so be sure to check it often! Web address is listed at the bottom of this page.

You can also scan this QR Code that will take you right to our class Remind



Welcome new 4th graders

I want to take this opportunity to welcome each and everyone of you to our classroom. This is your place to learn and grow in many new ways this year. We are going to be a community of learners that will help each other in every way possible so that everyone will feel welcome in this class. I encourage you to do your best and promise you that you will learn a lot this year!!!!

Set your calendar

– Aug. 25th –Back to School Night (5:30 – 6:30pm)

-Aug. 19th –Please have all school forms returned

-Sept. 5th – Memorial Day (NO SCHOOL)

-Sept. 19th –Minimum Day –Dismiss 12:37

-Sept. 24rd –Monthly Awards Assembly



VISIT OUR CLASS WEBSITE FOR OUR YEAR CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Information cards

Several notes were sent home this week. If you haven't yet, please read, fill out and return as soon as possible. The Current Health Information card is the most important. This is needed in case of emergencies. Please make sure you have a second or third contact person in case we can't reach you.

CHICKEN FARM

A city slicker moves to the country and decides he's going to take up farming. He heads to the local co-op and tells the man, "Give me 100 baby chickens." The co-op man complies. A week later the man returns and says, "Give me 200 baby chickens." The co-op man complies. Again, a week later the man returns. This time he says, "Give me 500 baby chickens." "Wow!" the co-op man replies. "You must really be doing well!" "Naw," said the man with a sigh. "I'm either planting them too deep or to far apart!"

The Key to success

This year promises a lot of learning. With your help at home (*reading each night with your child*) your child will show great improvements this coming year. With an extra 15 minutes a night reading or writing (above their normal homework time) you **WILL** see a difference.




Several times this year I will be sending home book club orders. This is a great way to build up a home library of books they are interested in reading (and a cheap way to do it.) There are always books that cost less than \$2.50 each. Your child also has the opportunity to check out classroom library books to read at home. Please make sure



these are returned by the end of each month.

Please feel free to call me at school between 7:30am-4:00pm if you ever have any questions. 730-7798 I will return your call as soon as I can. You can also e-mail me anytime at: solson@vusd.org

WHY READ 20 MINUTES AT HOME?

Student A Reads	Student B Reads	Student C Reads
❖ 20 minutes per day.	❖ 5 minutes per day.	❖ 1 minute per day
❖ 3,600 minutes per school year.	❖ 900 minutes per school year.	❖ 180 minutes per school year.
❖ 1,800,000 words per year.	❖ 282,000 words per year.	❖ 8,000 words per year.
		
❖ Scores in the 90 th percentile on standardized tests.	❖ Scores in the 50 th percentile on standardized tests.	❖ Scores in the 10 th percentile on standardized tests.

If they start reading for 20 minutes per night in Kindergarten, by the end of 6th grade, Student A will have read for the equivalent of 60 school days, Student B will have read for 12 schooldays, and Student C will have read for 3.

(Nagy and Berwick, 1987)

WANT TO BE A BETTER READER? SIMPLY READ.

KINDNESS CALENDAR

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Donate back to school items to students in need	2 Read a story to a younger relative	3 Hold the door open for someone	4 Thank someone for being them	5 Write a family member a nice note	6 Make your bed and help serve breakfast
7 Help make dinner	8 Make someone laugh	9 Wash the dishes	10 Draw someone a funny picture	11 Do something helpful around the house	12 Help your parents with the laundry	13 Write a thank you note to a health care worker
14 Give yourself a compliment	15 Tell someone they are awesome	16 Think about what makes you special	17 Offer to help a relative that lives with you	18 Give out 5 compliments	19 Tell a family member 3 things you love about them	20 Help make lunch
21 Write a thank you note to a first responder	22 Smile at as many people as you can	23 Write a gratitude list with a family member	24 Tell a sibling or relative 3 things you like about them	25 Go on a walk with a trusted adult and wave to at least 3 people	26 Write a thank you note to a teacher	27 Enjoy family time
28 Make every bed in your house	29 Do a favor without expecting anything in return	30 Pick up trash around your neighborhood	31 Call or Facetime a relative you haven't spoken to in a while	<div style="background-color: #FF69B4; padding: 10px; text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;"> Always be a little kinder than necessary. </div>		