



Our class News

August 2025

Mr. Olson's 4th Grade



ClassDojo

I will be using Class DoJo to send out reminders of things going on in our class. Download the app and get connected

—Please use this link to connect to our classroom:

<https://www.classdojo.com/ul/p/addKid?target=class&class=CFXGJ2Q>

—You can also scan the QR code to take you directly to our class login page.

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.



WELCOME NEW 4TH GRADERS

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 Scholastic Book 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

Set your calendar

-Aug. 22nd -Please have all school forms returned -or completed online

- Aug. 26th -Back to School Night (5:30 – 6:30pm)

-Sept. 1st – Memorial Day (NO SCHOOL)

-Sept. 15th -Minimum Day -Dismiss 12:30



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!!!!

VISIT OUR CLASS WEBSITE FOR OUR YEAR CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Information cards

Several notes were sent home this week or mailed to you at home. If you haven't yet, please read, fill out and return as soon as possible or update the information online using the information sent to you in the mail. The Emergency card is the most

important. We want to be sure to have the most current information on who to contact in case of emergencies.

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!"





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
3 Help make dinner	4 Make someone laugh	5 Wash the dishes	6 Draw someone a funny picture	7 Do something helpful around the house	8 Help your family with the laundry	9 Write a thank you note to a health care worker
10 Give yourself a compliment	11 Tell someone they are awesome	12 Think about what makes you special	13 Offer to help a relative that lives with you	14 Give out 5 compliments	15 Tell a family member 3 things you love about them	16 Write a family member a nice note
17 Write a thank you note to a first responder	18 Smile at as many people as you can	19 Write a gratitude list with a family member	20 Tell a sibling or relative 3 things you like about them	21 Go on a walk with a trusted adult and wave to at least 3 people	22 Write a thank you note to a teacher	23 Enjoy family time
24 Make every bed in your house	25 Do a favor without expecting anything in return	26 Pick up trash around your neighborhood	27 Call or FaceTime a relative you haven't spoken to in a while	28 Hold the door open for someone	29 Thank someone for being them	30 Read a story to a younger relative
31 Help make lunch						

Kindness matters!