



#### FOURTH GRADE NEWS:

### Important dates:

- 11/08 No school Election Day
- 11/11 No school –Veterans Day
- 11/23-25 No school- Thanksgiving!
- 12/1 Picture Retake Day
- 12/7-9 Parent Conferences

# Kudos & Reminders:

As we head toward the holidays we are so thankful for our Metacomet families. We encourage everyone to join in the annual food drive beginning November 17. Goods will be collected in the front foyer. ©

## Academics:

Academic Strategies: In our Reading and Math, please note that several skills are introduced and practiced repeatedly, as a spiral, as opposed to one skill being practiced, mastered and then moving on to the next. It results in deeper understanding and better long-term memory (because of that understanding). They will master all by the end!

**English Language Arts (ELA):** The focus is on fact & opinion, summarizing, biography and realistic fiction. Independent reading is essential, of course. In Writing we are focusing on opinion writing with transition phrases.

**Math:** We are working on elapsed time, ratio tables, and multiplication facts and concepts (especially as the inverse of division).

**Science/Social Studies:** We are learning about liquid and linear measurement as well as how we can serve our communities and world. Ask them about Louis Braille, Wangari Maathai and Nelson Mandela!

#### What you can be doing at home:

- Read nightly and discuss books with your child. Practice math facts every night!
- Complete any homework together.

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