



# Class Notes

From Mr. Johnston

Hello 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Families!

I enjoyed meeting you at Open House and I have enjoyed getting to know your child. We have had a busy first week of school. We have built new routines, reviewed the behavior expectations called "Fernbrook 5", shared information about ourselves with each other, and started building a new community through several mini lessons and creative activities. It HAS been a GREAT week! Next week we will continue to build structure through daily procedures, and we will gradually begin our studies. I will use this newsletter to share information that I think you will find useful. If there are specific topics you would like me to comment on, please contact me. Thank you!

One question that was recently asked was: "What should I look for in the assignment notebook before signing each day?" At the end of each day I will show students what to write in their planner. We may write notes about what we studied, we may write assignments that are due, we may write reminders to study for tests. Please ask your child to explain something to you if you don't understand what is written.

## Daily Schedule

8:40 First bell  
8:50 Opening  
9:00 Spelling, Handwriting  
9:20 Reading Instruction  
10:15 Math Instruction  
11:15 Lunch followed by recess  
12:15 Language, Writing  
1:00 Music or Phy ed.  
1:30 Snack Break  
1:40 Homeroom - varies daily between:  
Social Studies, Science, Health, Art  
3:00 Organizational time - Assignment  
Notebooks  
3:20 Dismissal

## Tid-bits

- \* Spelling introduced on **Monday**, test on **Friday**
- \* Water bottles are allowed, but water only
- \* Snacks = Quick, Quality, Quiet
- \* Please return Wed. envelopes by following Friday
- \* 4<sup>th</sup> grade Parent Information Packet coming soon
- \* Book orders periodically throughout the year
- \* Class population currently at 30 students

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