



# 4th Grade Family Newsletter

**Mission:** Elk Meadows Falcons are growing to be resilient, lifelong learners.

**Golden Gate:** "I will be in charge of my own happiness."

**Date:** Monday, January 3, 2022

## Grade-Level Events

- Welcome back to school! We hope everyone had a safe and fun winter break. We will be spending time in class reviewing procedures and expectations as we get back into our regular school routine again.
- As the temperatures are now colder, please ensure you send your child to school with warm clothing (coats, hats, gloves, etc.)!
- No School on January 17th & 18th

## Math

**Focus:** In Unit 4, 4th graders begin learning about Algebra by working on equations, mathematical comparisons, and word problems.

**Examples:**

Addition Comparison

Angela is 14 years old. She is 4 years older than Damarcus. How old is Damarcus?

Multiplication Comparison

Shawn colored 5 pages in a coloring book. Anja colored 4 times as many pages as Shawn colored. How many pages did Anja color?

## Language Arts

**Focus:** I can provide a verbal or written response that refers to specific details in the text to describe a character, setting, or event that shows thorough understanding.

**Example:** As your child reads independently or to a younger sibling this month, please ask them to describe the character, setting, and events of the plot to you. Being able to accurately describe these details from the story shows your child is developing comprehension skills. You can help your child think more deeply about what they read by asking what the theme/message of the story is or why a character made that choice, etc.

## Science

**Focus:** I can create a model that represents the flow of energy in an electric circuit in my home.

**Example:** Wires are hidden inside the walls of your home. We connect our electric lights and appliances to the electric power in the walls by plugging them into electric sockets. How do you think plugging a lamp into a socket completes a circuit to light the lamp? Draw a picture to show how you think it might work.

## Social Studies

**Focus:** Students will understand the relationship between the physical geography in Utah and human life.

**Example:** Utah has 3 unique geographical regions with different resources and landscapes that affect how we survive in the land.

Please watch this video to learn more about the 3 regions of Utah.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QGp\\_GNd3fZE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QGp_GNd3fZE)

## Family Connections / Additional Information

- **Reading Daily:** Please help your child to make and keep a goal of reading 20-30 minutes every day!
- **Multiplication Facts:** Please help your child work on mastering their multiplication facts to help them become more fluent as they progress through their mathematics learning. This can be done quickly, on the go, by skip counting or making a game of it throughout the day.