



4th Grade Family Newsletter

January 2026

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

Character Skill: Perseverance - doing something even if it's difficult in achieving success.

Events

- 1/5 - Welcome Back from Winter Break! As the weather is getting cooler please send your children to school with warmer clothing (coats, gloves, hats)
- 1/14 - Field Trip to Clark Planetarium from 9 am - 2 pm.
- 1/16 - End of Semester 1 (or Quarter 2)
- 1/19 - NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
- 1/20 - NO SCHOOL - Grade Transmittal Day

Additional Information

- Student Planners: please initial reading minutes each day they read at home (20-30 min)

Math

Focus:

I can represent, read, and write multi-digit whole numbers within 1,000,000, including in expanded form.

Example:

1,325

1 thousand, 3 hundreds, 2 tens, 5 ones

$1,000 + 300 + 20 + 5$

Reading

Focus: I can determine the meaning of a word or phrase using context clues.

Example:

What does the word *reinforce* mean in the sentence below?

The teacher had the children complete an activity to reinforce what they had just learned.

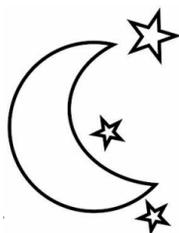
- A. extend
- B. lengthen
- C. strengthen
- D. weaken



Science

Focus: Earth & Sun -

I can observe the moon over a period of time and identify patterns.



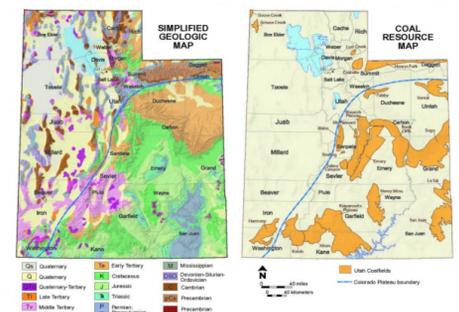
Example: Go out at night, and look for the moon. Record your observations. Can you see the moon at night? Where is it in the sky? What does it look like? In your observations, draw what the moon looks like each night. Do this at the same time every night for the next four weeks. Look for patterns in your observations. Describe the pattern to your family. Can you predict what the moon will look like tomorrow night? Next week? Next month?

Social Studies

Focus: I can classify the distribution and use of natural resources in Utah.

Example:

Why are natural resources, such as coal, found in some places but not in others?



Using the map, observe how coal is more abundant in certain areas of Utah and not others based on geological processes and timing of events that have occurred in different parts of Utah.