



# Fourth Grade Flash

## What We Are Learning

### Math -

Students have been studying addition and subtraction using mental math, rounding and estimation. Math is differentiated by using advanced centers and games as well as complex problem solving. Remember, student textbooks can now be accessed on line at [www.pearsonsuccessnet.com](http://www.pearsonsuccessnet.com). For specific usernames and passwords, contact your classroom teacher.

### Language Arts -

During the first twenty days, our students have been guided through various aspects of literacy as we learn together how others select, read, and think about books and how each student approaches writing. This whole-group approach allows learners at all levels to experience literacy on their own terms, as well as collaborate in their thinking—a vital 21st century skill! We are finishing up our benchmark assessments and we are in the process of beginning guided reading.

### Science -

Our science unit for the start of the year has been animals and adaptations. Students are observing and describing how all living and nonliving things affect the life of other animals. By studying adaptations, we recognize that humans can understand themselves better by learning about other animals.

### Social Studies-

4th graders are learning about North Carolina's geography and where North Carolina is located in the world. Students are learning how to read various types of maps and identify locations on a map using longitude and latitude. We are also learning about North Carolina's three regions. Creating salt and flour maps has been a fun way to study geographical formations.

### Thank You !!

We would like to thank you for your generous donations to our 4th grade field trip fund. Our team is working very hard to plan as many

exciting and enriching opportunities that our state has to offer! If you would like to contribute and have not yet done so, please make your checks payable to Estes Hills Elementary School. All contributions are greatly appreciated.

### Eagles Eye Memo

This year's Eagles Eye will be distributed on line. Simply go to the Estes Hills homepage and click on PTA and current newsletter. To subscribe to the newsletter click on the tiny blue icon at the bottom of the page. Subscribing means that you will be contacted by email whenever a new newsletter is posted. If you do not have access to technology, a hard copy can be sent home with your child.

## The New Faces of Fourth Grade

In addition to welcoming new students to our grade level, we also welcome new faculty as well! Stefanie Janke has joined our team from Philadelphia and Gina Pace, formerly an Estes Hills 2nd and 3rd grade teacher, has also joined our team this year.

She is thrilled about her promotion. We are fortunate to have Corissa Gamble and Jessica Booker join our team as our classroom assistants! Liz Coleman and Anne Maitland both return for another year at this level, and have already generously shared their experience and knowledge

as we employ the PLC (Professional Learning Community) model in our collaborative planning. Doing so allows us to unify instruction across the grade level and give our students the best experiences possible.

### Important Dates:

PTA meeting 7pm (Estes Hills Media Center)	10/12
Delayed Opening	10/15
Hispanic Heritage Month 4th grade celebration	10/15
Estes Hills SIT meeting 6:30pm	10/20
NC State Fair field trip	10/21
Teacher Workday	10/23

### Attention Volunteers:

*We have lots of great field trips and volunteer opportunities coming up including, but not limited to:*

- The State Fair
- Museum of Natural Science (Raleigh)
- Downtown Raleigh

*Don't forget to help out at the PTA Thrift Shop! Contact your child's teacher for info.*

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You can also profile new employees or top customers or vendors.

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# Organization

## ESTES HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Primary Business Address  
Your Address Line 2  
Your Address Line 3  
Your Address Line 4

Phone: 555-555-5555  
Fax: 555-555-5555  
E-mail: someone@example.com

***Your business tag line here.***

*This would be a good place to insert a short paragraph about your organization. It might include the purpose of the organization, its mission, founding date, and a brief history. You could also include a brief list of the types of products, services, or programs your organization offers, the geographic area covered (for example, western U.S. or European markets), and a profile of the types of customers or members served.*

*It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.*

**We're on the Web!**  
**example.microsoft.com**

## Back Page Story Headline

This story can fit 175-225 words.

If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organization is small, you may want to list the names of all employees.

If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to

any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind readers to mark their calendars for a regular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the

month, or a biannual charity auction.

If space is available, this is a good place to insert a clip art image or some other graphic.



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