

Fourth Grade Learning Objectives

The students in fourth grade are guided and encouraged to become independent learners. Taking on the challenge of managing their homework, projects and classroom assignments is important for them to develop their self confidence and the love of learning.

Organizational skills are taught with personal calendars and homework binders. Many reading genres are introduced to help the fourth graders find “good fit books” that will inspire the love of reading. We use the daily five in reading; read to self, listen to reading, work on vocabulary, partner reading, and work on writing. Our four main reading goals are comprehension, accuracy, fluency and expanding our vocabulary. The Macmillian/McGraw-Hill, Treasures series aides us in teaching basic reading, grammar and spelling skills.

We learn and use D’Nealian cursive writing.

We focus on Oregon history, geography, government and current community, state, and national news in social studies.

In science we use the instructional text published by Scott Foresman to aide us in learning about God’s creation with a science focus.

Math skills are assessed and students are placed in appropriate levels to help them function at a successful and challenging rate. Our text is Math Connects published by Macmillian/McGraw-Hill.

Religion is integrated in all parts of our day. We have a school wide monthly themed integrity program. The students have weekly memory verses to learn and we have weekly chapel. Religion is a taught subject with the aide of Concordia Publishing House; One in Christ.

Religion:

- Old Testament
- New Testament
- Law vs. Grace
- Birth of Jesus
- The Life and death of Jesus
- The Lord’s Prayer
- The Fruits of the Spirit
- The Armor of God
- The Great Commission
- Daily devotions
- Weekly scripture verses
- School wide integrity ladder
- Daily Prayer
- The seasons of Advent and Lent

Language Arts / Reading:

- Spelling
- Vocabulary

- Grammar
- Reading skills
- Read to self
- Read out loud
- Listen to reading
- Work on writing
- Monthly book reports
- Setting personal reading goals:
- Comprehension, accuracy, fluency, and expanding vocabulary

Math:

- Daily math fact time tests
- Daily problem solving activities on the math board
- Place Value
- Addition and subtraction
- Organize, display and interpret data
- Multiplication and division facts
- Algebraic patterns
- Multiply and divide by one digit numbers
- Multiply by two digit numbers
- Identify geometric figures
- Understand and develop spatial reasoning
- Measure length, area, perimeter, and temperature
- Measure capacity, weight, and volume
- Describe and compare fractions
- Use place value to represent decimals
- Add and subtract decimals

Science:

- Life science
 - Plant structure and function
 - Animal structure and function
 - Energy in ecosystems
 - Surviving in the environment
 - Physical science;
 - Measuring matter
 - Force and motion
 - Electricity and magnetism
 - Light and sound
- Earth science
 - Measuring weather
 - The makeup of the earth
 - Exploring the oceans movements in the solar system

- Human body
 - Digestive, circulatory and nervous systems
 - Keeping your body and systems healthy

Social Studies:

- Native Americans
- Early Oregon history
- Early explorers
- Fur trappers and traders
- Missionaries
- The Oregon Trail
- Oregon Trail Play (drama)
- Regions of Oregon
- Oregon geography
- Oregon Government
- Mock Oregon government classroom simulation
- Oregon Today current news and business
- Oregon reports at the end of the year

Spanish:

- Alphabet
- Calendar
- Numbers 0-199 and Usage
- Greetings
- Classroom Objects
- Plurals of nouns
- Seasons
- Gender of nouns
- Definite Articles
- Commands and Expressions
- Colors
- Possessive Adjectives
- The Body
- Family
- House
- Diminutives
- Foods and Mealtime
- Capital Letters
- Holidays
- Weather
- Direction words

Music

All Music classes will cover the following: music theory, performance, composition, improvisation, listening and music history. Fourth grade music will highlight:

- Composers: Copland, Schubert, Haydn
- Instruments: Woodwind
- Multicultural: Middle East
- Musical Stories: Appalachian Spring/Billy the Kid/Rodeo
- Students will continue playing the Recorder

Technology:

- Microsoft Word skills
- Microsoft Publisher skills
- Keyboarding
- Search tools
- Math facts quiz games
- Oregon Trail simulation game
- Research skills

Field Trips and Special Events and Projects:

- ABC Life science research book
- Electricity Project
- Monthly book reports
- Oregon State Report
- Field trip to state capitol; Salem
- Recorder recital
- Christmas Play
- Oregon Trail Play
- Pioneer day
- Grandparents' Day
- Theme k-5th days
- Reading buddies
- Friday writers' workshop
- Field day
- Classroom holiday parties