

# Fourth Grade News

December 2021

Hello Families!

It was a pleasure to visit with all of you during conferences. As I mentioned to most of you then, I am really trying to push the students toward independence; it's going to be a long and at times difficult task, but it's one that I believe will be worth the effort.

In our Math classes, we will begin to work on comparing fractions, and we will dive into decimals as well. The unit after will have us practicing multi-digit multiplication and division again; most students seem to prefer "good old fashioned" methods for those computations, and I must say that I agree with them, but I will continue to teach other methods as well. (More tools in the toolbox.)

In Language Arts we are practicing "close reading" various kinds of texts such as informational and multiple kinds of fiction. I explain to the students that close reading will be an important skill to master not only for school, but for many other aspects of life.

I'm looking forward to seeing you again at the Christmas Program on the 9th at 6:00 in the Central Auditorium. The students have been working very hard, and it should be a fantastic experience!

Yours in Christ,  
Mr. Dahle