September 2021

Welcome to Ms. Ervin's Grade 4!

Dear Families,

I would like to welcome your child to the fourth grade. I have been teaching at the elementary level for over 20 years and LOVING it! I have taught a variety of grades levels and subjects. I particularly thrive on growing great readers, technology integration and passion projects. I have worked with students and teachers in Canada, the USA, and abroad while giving summer workshops for teachers. I love teaching and feel fortunate to do what I do for a living!

I am looking forward to getting to know you and your children. I will help your children become critical thinkers, problem solvers and help them to set goals to achieve academic and personal growth. My hope is that they leave Grade 4 seeing themselves as capable learners with greater self-confidence and improved social skills. I will count on your support to make this happen!

Important Information

<u>Routines & Procedures</u> These will be more important this year than ever and practiced frequently to ensure we can focus on academics and fun activities. It will be important for students to follow directions, wash their hands frequently and wear their mask when outside our classroom.

<u>Classroom Climate Expectations</u> -In order for our classroom to be a learning environment where children are comfortable taking risks in the company of their peers, we will establish expectations regarding conduct, behaviours, routines and attitudes.

<u>Notices</u> -There will be several important notices and forms coming home over the next few weeks. Please complete and return these **ASAP**.

<u>Health Forms</u> - All children who have allergies or use an inhaler at school are required to fill out a special procedures form (Policy 704). *Please alert me if your child requires a form.

<u>Timetable</u> Please make every effort to ensure that your child arrives at school on time:)

8:05 - Arrival Bell ~ 8:15 - Classes Begin ~ 2:45 - Dismissal Bell



<u>Homework</u>

Homework will be given for the purposes of allowing children to share what they have learned and to reinforce concepts learned.

Please make an effort to establish homework routines and expectations at home early on in September. If your child is focused and working hard but struggling with completing their homework in a timely manner, please inform me.

Beginning soon, students will be given **weekly** homework assignments in Language Arts & Math. These assignments will generally be due on Friday. They may also be required to joint complete any incomplete class work, do special projects, or review for assessments.

*** Reading must occur daily for desired achievement.***

Grade 4 Parent Communication

Good communication between parents, teacher & student is important for your child's personal and academic growth. The children will use homework binders with a plastic communication sleeve in the front marked for notices sent **home** & returned to **school**.

Students will be responsible for:

- Bringing notices to your attention and getting items signed and filled out.
- Ensuring that they bring any notes from parents to my attention.



Let's Stay Connected!

In addition to student binders & folder, our class website will be the Hub for our communication. The website is **www.lhs4e.weebly.com.**It contains student pages and a parent info page. Read below to learn more!

WEBSITE CONTENTS:

<u>Home Page</u> – This landing page is designed to give families a glimpse into our classroom. It will contain links to photos & updates about our classroom activities.

<u>Math</u>– This page will contain links to learning games & activities used in Math class.

<u>Learning Links</u> – This will have subscription links & reading resources.

<u>Tech Zone</u> – This will have any extra info related to technology.

<u>Contact Info</u> – This will provide email and phone # as well as quick & easy access to the teacher using the CONTACT ME button.



Email I will send emails sharing & requesting information. Be sure that I always have all guardians' updated email addresses. I encourage you to contact me via phone or email with any questions or concerns. If I am teaching, simply leave a message at 658.5348 and I will do my best to reach you in a timely manner.

*For communication that **does not** require an urgent response, I can be contacted by email at *anne.ervin@nbed.nb.ca* and I will often return an email with a phone call as I prefer to discuss some concerns in person.

*Please do not rely on email to change your child's after-school plans as I most often do not have time to check my email during the school day.

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I look forward to working with all of you in an effort to help your children succeed!

Hs. Anne Ervin