



# 4TH GRADE NEWS

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## OFF TO A GREAT START

Welcome 4th Grade Survivors!!!

We are off to an outstanding start. Students are working hard and learning lots along the way. We have been impressed with the teamwork and cooperation that the students have shown.

This week the students are working hard to complete their web-sites. This has been a great activity

to introduce the students to the computers, and more importantly, to each other. We have started creating a class dictionary in conjunction with our work on dictionary skills.

In math we will continue working on place value, problem solving, ordering numbers, and rounding. **Our chapter 2 math test is Friday, Sept. 7.**

In writing we will soon launch our writer's notebooks. We recently

decorated our notebooks with pictures that inspire us. Soon we will use our notebooks to collect our writing ideas.

We are reading Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing. Students are working on various skills such as visualization, predictions, comprehension, and responding to literature. **If you have any extras, we're still collecting empty cereal boxes for a fun book project.**



## Classroom Mini Economy

Kids are working hard each week to "earn" tokens. Each Monday your child receives five tokens that represent five days of their "work". Throughout the week they can "earn" additional tokens for great behavior. However, they can also lose tokens as a consequence of inappropriate behavior. Be sure and ask your child each Friday how much "classroom cash" they earned for the week. A \$12+ dollar week is **OUTSTANDING**. A \$10 week is a **GOOD** week. A \$8 week is **OK**. If they earn less than \$8 they have some work to do in regards to their behavior. Students save their money for an auction **OR** they can save their money for a can of pop, candy bar, book, lunch with the teacher, or fun after school activity with the teacher. We can't wait to see how your child spends their money.

Thanks for sharing your child with us each day. We especially appreciate all of the extra items provided for our classrooms. Please feel free to call us or e-mail with any questions or concerns.

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## SURVIVOR CALENDAR

Check out the calendar on the back for a listing of all the upcoming events.

Welcome New Students  
to Willard North

Reid  
Jessica  
Mary Hannah  
Kole

Shelby  
Hannah  
Andrew  
Rachel



## READERS WANT TO KNOW...

**Radical Reader Forms**—Last week we sent home the "official" monthly at home reading chart entitled Radical Reader. This program is part of your child's reading grade each quarter. They are **required** to read a minimum of 320 minutes per month.

**Book Orders**—Please pay by check or order on-line. Do not send cash. Be sure and make the check out to the company not to the school.