

Weekly Gazette

~Room 17 Chooses Kind~



Welcome Back Grizzlies!

Thank you families for making the first three days of school the best ever! Our first "week" back was full of ice-breaker activities, community building, and learning about classroom routines and expectations. Our 4th graders are enthusiastic, happy, and eager to begin what I know is going to be one of the best years ever! Yay!

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M, T, TH, F SCHEDULE

School Day: 8:15-3:05

Drop Off: 8:00-8:15

Pick Up: 3:05-3:20

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WEDNESDAY

School Day: 8:15-1:30

Drop Off: 8:00-8:15

Pick Up: 1:30-1:45

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DAY CARE

Our daycare is up and running! Please contact the office if you need more info!



Please make sure to send in a family photo for me to display in our classroom window if you haven't already done so!



Back to School Night for 4th grade is Thursday, September 7th from 5-6 pm



Do you have the Parent Square App? If not, download today to receive messages, photos and more from me!

Band/Chorus

Band/Choir is being offered to students in the fourth grade! We ask that whatever choice students make, they stick with it for the duration of the 2023-2024 school year. For students participating in band, Mr. Pulley will confirm instrument selections shortly! For questions, don't hesitate to contact him. His email is: npulley@gusdschools.org

Band/Choir Schedule:

Monday: 2:15-3:00

Friday: 1:30-3:00 PM (sectional classes)

Contact/Email

I'm truly looking forward to a WONDERful year! If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to message me through the Parent Square app or email me at:



abrown@gusdschools.org. If someone in your household is not receiving my messages, please let me know.

Read more below to learn about what's happening this week in our classroom!

WHAT ARE WE WORKING ON THIS WEEK IN CLASS?

1. **ELA:** This week, students will be reading a story pulled from the book *"Tales our Abuelitas told us"* by Alma Flor Ada. It's a lovely story about a bird who learns the value of friendship and kindness. Our grammar focus this week is nouns. We will also begin our first novel student of the year as well as our first writer's workshop project. How exciting!!
2. **Math:** This week, students will dive right into math with place value! We will be looking at how numbers are structured, the values of different numbers based on their place value position, and more! We are also beginning to practice our multiplication facts starting with the 2's.
3. **Science:** This Monday we began our first Science unit of the year titled *Birth of Rocks*. We learned about volcanoes and where they are located on the globe. Ask your child tonight to tell you about our lab and the "ring of fire" they mapped in class!
4. **Social Studies:** Tomorrow marks our first Social Studies lesson! I'm excited for our first unit of study about California's regions. This week, we will learn about where California is located on the Earth. We will even get to do a little mapping practice using chocolate chips! Yum!
5. **Homework:** Each day this week, your child will be coming home with about 30-40 minutes of homework plus 20 minutes of nightly reading. Homework includes the following: Completing a spelling activity from the spelling menu, completing a math worksheet or assignment, completing an ELA page from the ELA packet and reading for 20 minutes. Please initial your child's planner nightly after reviewing that he/she has completed their homework assignments.