



# 4th Grade News

Week of: September 14, 2020

Friday, September 18th-No School "Teachers Institute"

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Parents/Guardians, do you have tech questions?  
Please use the following link and someone will  
respond as soon as they are available.

[tech-help@nlsd122.org](mailto:tech-help@nlsd122.org)

During the next few weeks, teachers and reading specialists will be completing aimswebPLUS assessments with students. Your child may complete this testing during regularly scheduled Zoom lessons or the teacher may schedule a time to meet with your child during independent work or student support time. The testing should take approximately 5-20 minutes depending on the grade level.

aimswebPLUS assessments are formative and help our teachers know how to better teach your child. It is more important that your child completes the test to the best of their ability than that they get every answer correct. So that we can get a better understanding of your child's abilities, please don't restate directions, provide answers or clues, give indication of a correct or incorrect answer (nod, smile, etc.), or provide feedback to the teacher during the test (since many of the tests are timed). The teacher will provide this feedback to your child as needed and will make sure they feel reassured and successful. We ask that you please not screenshot or copy testing materials as they are copyrighted.

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## Things You Should Know

**\*Technology Night with Mrs. O'Brien on Monday 9/14 from 4:00-5:00 PM. Please RSVP to Mrs. O'Brien if you plan to attend. [jobrien@nlsd122.org](mailto:jobrien@nlsd122.org) or send Ms. Baumann your RSVP [tbaumann@nlsd122.org](mailto:tbaumann@nlsd122.org)**

- *If a host (teacher) has technical difficulties with the ZOOM connection, your child might be signed off. Please have your child sign back into the classroom and wait to be admitted into the class. If by chance you can not access the classroom due to technical difficulties, please have your child log into IXL and complete two IXL Math & LA items of their choice. They may also work on IXL Diagnostic.*
- Teachers will not be able to access email during zoom hours, but will respond within 24 hours before and after.
- Students are expected to be on Zoom between the hours of 7:45 and 1:15. We truly appreciate your child being prepared in a working environment with the necessary supplies and curriculum nearby.

GOOGLE CLASSROOM: Parents, not getting guardian summaries? Try these steps:

1. Check status by checking the settings page
2. Check your spam folder for an email  
“no-reply@classroom.google.com”
3. If you want to see your child’s Google Classroom, you will need to log in as your child OR sit with your child when they are logged in.

## Academic Outlook

**Reading** – We will continue to read “Porpoises In Peril” next week. Every lesson, we read a specific amount of pages, please don't read ahead–it will interfere with our skill strategies. These books are available in your child’s Student Technology Portal under the r for Realize. Please take a few minutes to review the materials in your child’s **Student Technology Portal!**

**Vocab**– Students will take vocabulary quizzes on the words we study during the story. Every week in this newsletter, we will post the vocabulary words that we will focus on for the following week. Students will have these words in their vocabulary spirals with the definitions. Please follow your child’s assignment notebook for quiz/test dates. Feel free to practice these words often during the story at leisure. These words can be practiced on Quizlet too! This resource is available in our Google Classroom.

Vacant– empty, blank

Dredged– dug up, scraped, scooped

Depth– deepness, underneath

Scrutinize– inspect, probe, search

Conducted– carried out, directed, led

Disappointed– discontented, dissatisfied, unhappy

Recognition– identification, awareness

Precious– valuable, prized

**Spelling**- *Spelling test this week will be on Thursday, (9/17/2020) due to the Teachers' Institute on Friday and no school for students.* They will receive a link on Google Classroom. We will start Lesson 3 next week. Please take a few minutes to look over Spelling City which can be found in your Google Classroom. Your child will have access to all of the word lists for the entire year here. This is also a great resource students may use to practice their spelling words.

**Lesson 3 Spelling Words:**

Sweet each three least freedom below throat float foam flown greet season croak  
shallow eagle indeed rainbow grown seaweed hollow

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**Math**-Chapter 1 will continue with the focus of estimation, solving number stories, addition, and subtraction review. We will also be administering the AimsWEB benchmark assessments. Please do not assist your child with the questions, encourage them to try their best.

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**Science**- How are animals classified and animal adaptations.

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**Social Studies**- Internet safety focus: Digital Citizenship Pledge

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