

Welcome to
Fourth Grade



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➤ **Bachelor of Arts in History 1994**

George Mason University

➤ **Master of Education (NK-8) 1995**

Marymount University

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➤ **Gifted Education Post-Graduate Work**

➤ **Experience in grades 3, 4, 5 and 8**

❖ **Educator since 1995 and LIFELONG LEARNER**

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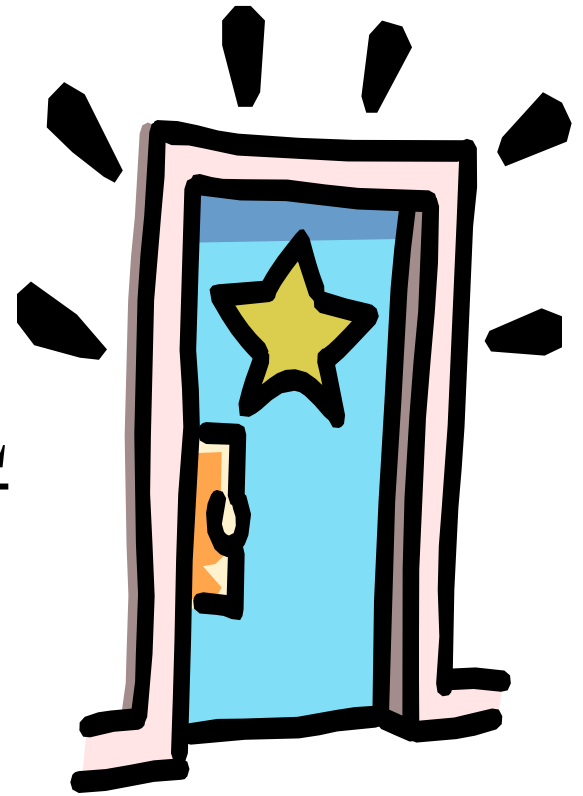
➤ **Experience in grades K, 1, 2, 4 and 5**

West Point, Norfolk, and Loudoun County, VA school systems

❖ **LIFELONG LEARNING continues!**

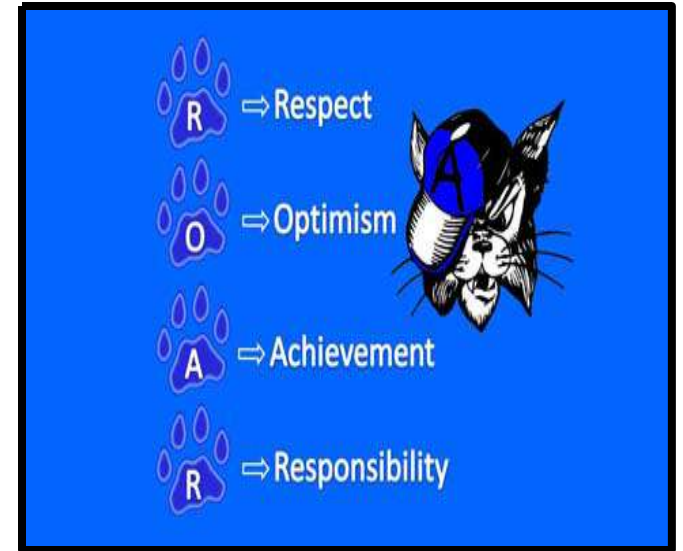
Philosophy

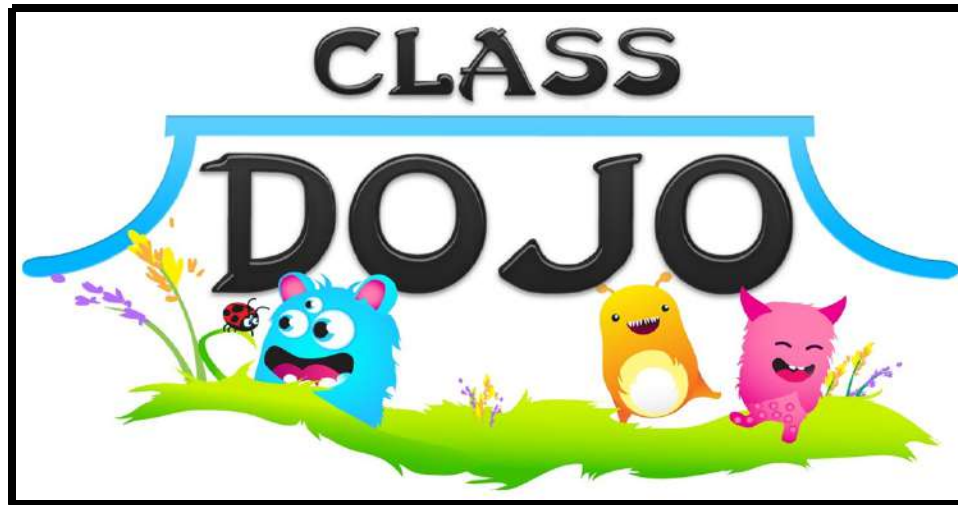
- Positive Classroom Environment
- Differentiated Instruction
- Flexible Grouping
- High Expectations For ALL
- Project-Based Learning
- Fostering Independence



RULES (P.B.I.S.)

- ✓ Class Rules
- ✓ School Rules
- ✓ Playground Rules
- ✓ Cafeteria Rules





Mr. Don

Math

Show All Show only positives Show only negatives Class settings Reset running points Undo test

End Class

Quick Awards

- All Students
- Andy Ball
- Bradley Jones
- Carlos Garcia
- Chris Olivares
- Jack Herman
- Jack Court
- Jimmy Mulaga
- Johnny Depp
- Karen Lien
- Kenneth Barlow
- Liam Don
- Natalie Price
- Ollie Dodd
- Penelope Marquez
- Sam Chaudhary

Andy Ball 1	Bradley Jones 4	Carlos Garcia 3	Chris Olivares 2
Jack Herman 3	Jack Court 12	Jimmy Mulaga 9	Johnny Depp 10
Karen Lien 3	Kenneth Barlow 12	Liam Don 12	Natalie Price 11
Ollie Dodd 11	Penelope Marquez 3	Sam Chaudhary 1	



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KaeNSYJvrn0>

Fourth Grade Extras

- Working Snack (9:30 AM)
- Sneakers for P.E.
- 4th Grade Jobs
- Special Visitors
- Family Life Education (F.L.E.)
- Field Trips
- Parties




Food in School Guidelines

Please remember that in order to create a healthier and safer environment for all students, Loudoun County Public Schools guidelines prohibit sharing or trading food in the school. While we appreciate that birthdays and other special occasions are often celebrated with food, but please support the LCPS guidelines by finding other ways to recognize these special days or saving your celebration for after school. Your child should only eat what you pack at home or the school cafeteria sells.



Homework Policy



- **Homework is independent practice of what is taught in class.**
- Missing Homework Log/ H.O.T. Card 
- Independent Reading
- Math
- Word Study
- Prepare for any assigned Book Talk or Quarterly Project

Fourth Grade Curriculum

English *Language Arts



- Guided Reading Groups
- Literature Circles
- Word Study and Grammar
- 6-Traits and the Writing Process
- Oral Presentations and Book Talks

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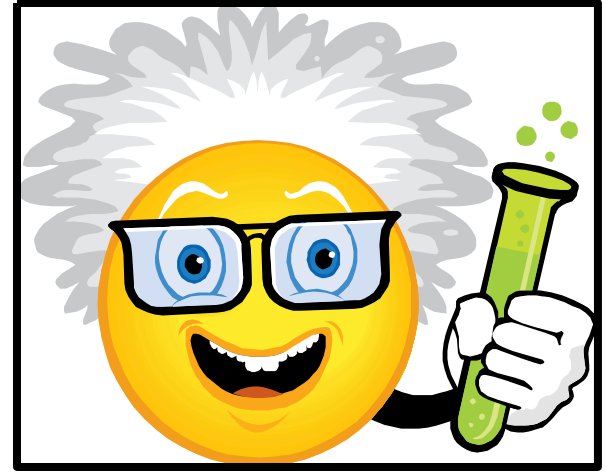
Mathematics

- Problem solving
- Hands-On Equations
- Science Integration
- Vocabulary Enrichment
- Individualized Instruction
- Math Journal and Writing in Math



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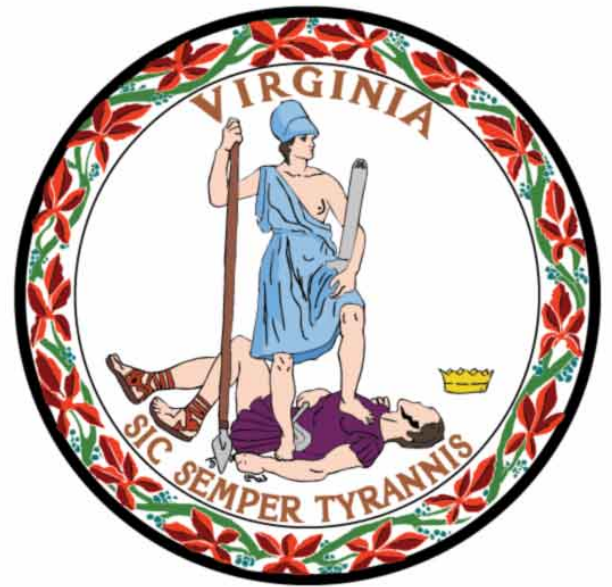
Science



- Investigations/Labs
- Natural Resources of VA, Watersheds, Space, Weather, Electricity, Magnetism, Plants, and Animal Adaptations
- Inquiry-Based Instruction
- Interactive Notebook

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Social Studies



- **Geography** of Virginia
- **History** of Virginia from Colonization through the 20th Century
- **Cultures** of Virginia from Native People through Slavery and Immigration
- **Economics** in Virginia's Past and Present

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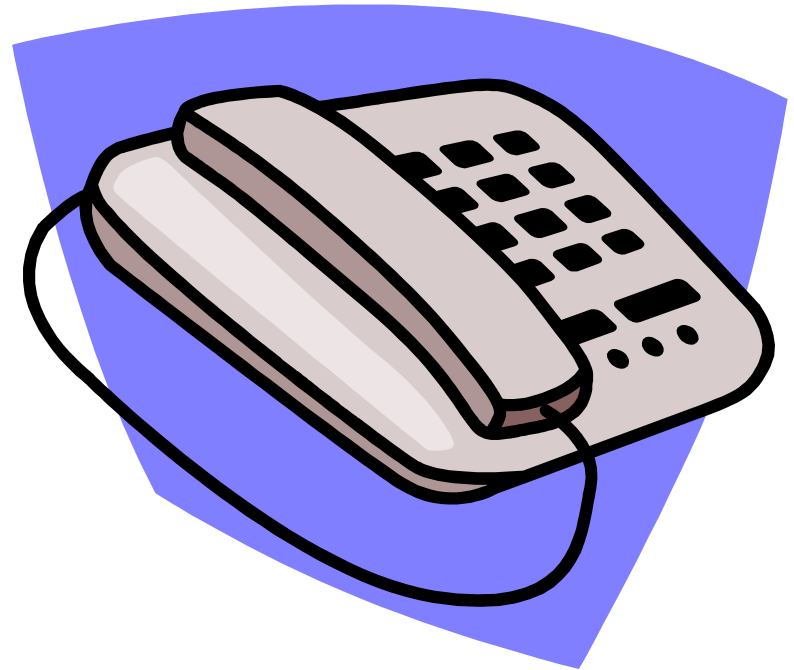
Technology

- *iPads*
- *SME, Reflex, and IXL*
- Word Processing
- Publishing
- Web site/blogging
- Presentations and Podcasts



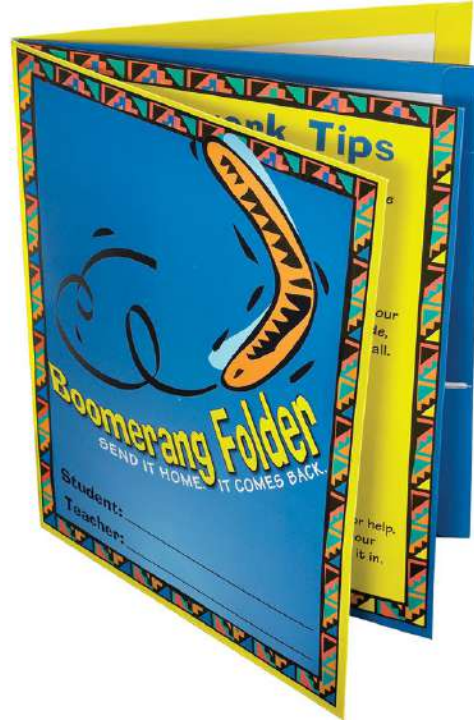
Communication

- ✓ Weekly Newsletters: *4th Grade Happenings*
- ✓ Webpage
- ✓ Email
- ✓ Telephone
- ✓ Notes in the agenda
- ✓ E-Alerts
- ✓ Class Dojo



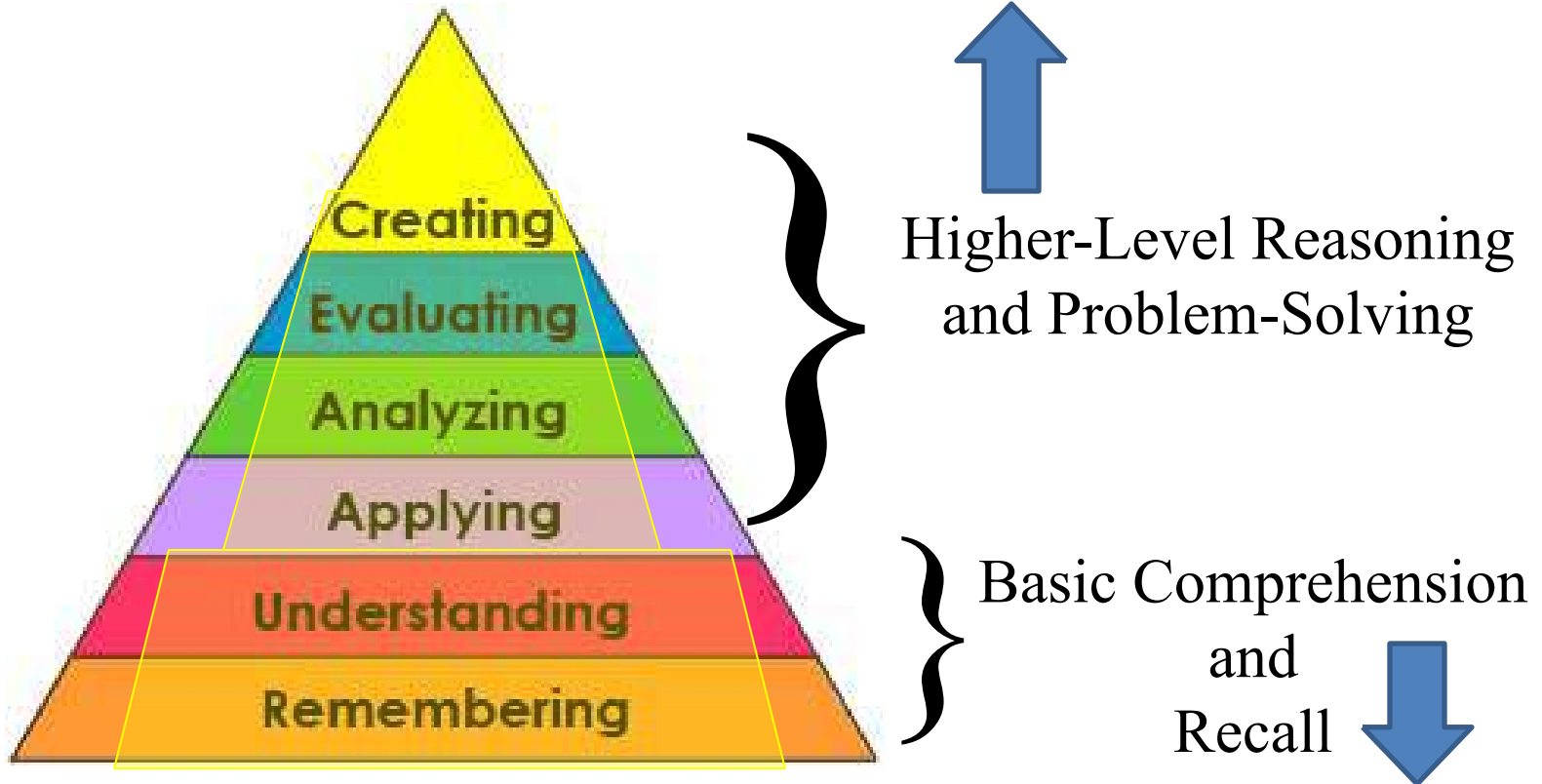
Forms/Notices From School

The **BLUE** “Boomerang” Folder has pockets labeled for your convenience. Please sign your child’s agenda nightly.



Assessment Practices

How might the Siege of Yorktown turned out for the Continentals if the French not been involved?



Where was the last major battle of the American Revolutionary War fought?

Learning Progression

Aiming for the Learning Target!

FORMATIVE



SUMMATIVE

4: *Exceeds* the Standard

3: *Meets* the Standard



2: *Progressing* Toward the Standard

1: *Below* the Standard

First Quarter Conferences

*Please sign up for your preferred
day and time!*



Thank You for Coming!

