

4th Grade

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The purpose of Mountain Brook Schools is to provide an effective, challenging, and engaging education for every one of our students.

3rd Nine Weeks

February 8-12

Important Dates to Remember

Alabama History Chapter 6 Test	2/9
DOM Quiz Week 20	2/11
Spelling Test	2/11
Valentine's Day Party	2/11
E-day	2/12
No School- President's Day	2/15

Reminders:

- ◆ Picture \$ or proofs due Thursday, 2/11
- ◆ Don't forget to read at home for a total of 2 hours each week and record on the reading log. To check for the guided reading level of a book, go to the following web-site: scholasticbookwizard.com

Reading Workshop

We are concluding our Historical Fiction Book Club Unit this week. On Friday, we took an assessment on the skills that have been a focus in this unit: how the historical setting and mood affect both characters and plot, understanding characters' motivations and how characters change, interpreting big ideas in our book, and understanding themes and symbols.

For the month of February, students will each partner with someone on a similar reading level to read a new book together.

Math Workshop

Unit of Study: Fractions

Our focus this week will be on adding and subtracting fractions with like denominators. Students will also be learning to compare fractions using a number line. They will also determine whether a fraction is closer to 0, 1/2, or 1.

Graded DOM comes home on Tuesday. Please review missed problems with your child.

Science

Our current unit of study is Landforms. This week students will be researching a landform of their choice in order to create a brochure. Their brochures will include a map, pictures, fun facts, famous examples, and preservation efforts for their landform.

Writing Workshop

We will continue learning about pronouns. Did you know there are many different kinds of pronouns? Some pronouns stand in for a noun while others show possession, point things out, or help form questions. The main goal will be to identify pronouns, understand their uses, and use them effectively in writing.

We will have a grammar quiz on vivid verbs, ordering adjectives, and pronouns next week. Look for a study guide late this week.

Weekly Spelling Words

Agents (people who do things) & Comparatives (words to compare)

dreamer	writer
swimmer	editor
voter	juror
driver	smaller
jogger	fresher
creator	smoother
sailor	older
visitor	younger
director	later
governor	sooner
farmer	stronger
shopper	brighter



"The only way to have a friend is to be one."

-Ralph Waldo Emerson