2020-2021 School Year

Dear Parents,

The following is what your child needs to do to do well in my **math** class. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.

Every student will be required to keep a math notebook, folder, and Go Math books. Your child must have these items every day they come to math.

The first thing your child will do is pull out their Go Math homework books to complete a “Spiral Review.” These problems are for review: to keep past concepts taught fresh in their minds. They will have 5-7 minutes to complete the problems assigned. We will then go over each problem so they can know instantly how they did and learn from mistakes made. Go Math Student Edition book will stay here at school. Both of these books are found on-line (log in to Granite Portal, push the Think Central Bennion icon). Please go to Think Central often**. Your child’s username and password (if needed) is their student ID #.** This website is very helpful!

The math spiral notebook is critical to doing well in math this year. In this notebook, the kids are expected to take NEAT notes on the concepts taught for that day. The first page contains a “Table of Contents” where the math concept will be noted. After this section, notes will be taken and example problems solved. This notebook should be used as a reference: both at home and in class for class work. If you want to know what your child is learning in math, please refer to this notebook. It should go home nightly for study and review and come back to school DAILY for more notes to be added.

Because grading has changed and we will be giving grades solely on mastery of concepts, no homework grade will be given; however, 3-5 math problems will be given nightly to reinforce concepts taught in class. Math notebooks can aide student and parent on how these nightly problems are to be done. Helping your child with these nightly problems will allow you to see what they are learning and give them an opportunity to talk about math concepts.

Any assignment we do in class to further install concepts taught that day, or any papers given to aide in understanding a concept will be found in their math folders.

Fourth graders are required to have their multiplication facts memorized up to the number 10. For this reason, it is required that ALL students study their multiplication facts EVERY night for at least 3 minutes.

We will be using the on-line materials from Thinkcentral and ST Math in class. If by chance we must all go to distant learning, students will be prepared how to navigate math on-line. YAY!!

If students study their math notebook, complete their class work daily, and pay close attention in class, they will excel, achieve high grades, and feel confident.

Thank you for your support. It makes all the difference in the world when students know that both their teacher and their parents are making sure work is being done to the best of their ability. Working together yields success!

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