



# Fourth Grade Features Mrs. Hofrichter

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## Forest Hills Lutheran School

Events and Home-  
work Due Dates for  
*the next school week:*

### **Monday–**

No School, Labor  
Day!

### **Tuesday–**

Signed Planners due  
Reading logs due  
Spelling Pre-test-  
*Spelling list sent  
home*

### **Wednesday–**

Buddy Chapel  
8:20am

### **Friday–**

Memory Quiz !

*Please remember to  
check your child's  
planner for home-  
work, missing work,  
& other notes.  
Thank you!!!*

**Scholastic Order  
sent home today,  
due back 9/9/11!**

## Welcome Back!

Wow! This has been a great week. Thank you to everyone who made the first week of 4th grade so awesome!

This week has been full of getting to know each other, creating our rules and procedures, and getting organized for the school year. We have already learned to use our planners to record homework, tests and important dates. We have learned how to keep our materials organized. Students have even learned how to earn tickets!!! If you haven't already heard, ask your child about those!

In religion, we have started doing a devotion each morning, and learning some fun prayers. Next week, we will start our memory work. Look for the memory verse in the green folder today!

In Language Arts we are getting organized and learning certain procedures, so that we can be more productive during learning time. We did a writing assessment to mark our skills at the beginning of the year. We will also be doing reading assessments the next couple of weeks, so make sure you're rested and ready for school!

In math, we have experimented with our new calculators, learned how to use our math reference books, learned some new math games, and started our geometry unit. Look for the Unit 1 Family Letter in the green folder today!

Spelling homework (points) starts next week. Look for the word list and assignment choices in the green folder

next Tuesday! We learned this week how to do each assignment. The kids can choose their assignments, as long as they add up to 100 pts!

We spent a big portion of our time learning about The Leader In Me! We talked about Habits– good AND bad. We also practiced greetings. We learned how to greet a friend, an adult and even someone new! Next week we will really dive into learning each habit. Please see the 7 Habits Tree in the green folder.

**Curious about The Leader In Me? Visit:**

[www.theleaderinme.org](http://www.theleaderinme.org)

**or attend a parent seminar right here at FHLS! (Dates to come.)**

## Homework News!

This week we had reading homework and Bible homework.

Next week we will also add Spelling/Writing homework. This assignment will serve 3 purposes: spelling practice, handwriting practice, and writing practice. The stu-

dents will take their pretest on Tuesday of next week. From this they will choose their words. They will have until the following Friday to work on this list (usually it will be one week, but we'll ease into this routine). They need to complete 100 points,

and can choose from the assignment sheet which tasks they want to do. Then, on next Friday, they will also take their test to see if they've mastered their words.

Math homework will start the week of Sept. 12th.

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### EXPECT

the best from your child at home, at school, and at play, while also extending grace for human frailty.

"For we know in part and prophesy in part, but when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears."

-1 Corinthians 13:9-10

## Our 25-Book Goal!

This year we have set a goal for our class! We are each going to read 25 books over the school year. These need to be around their reading level, so we are using 100 pages as a benchmark to measure one book read. That means if you read two books at about 50 pages each, together they make one book. Or, if you read a book that is 200 pages, it can count as two books.

This is something that includes books read at school, at home, at a friend's house, on the roof and over the moon. We just want to READ!

You might see a paper with four boxes on it that says "Aim High, 25-Books-A-Year Goal." This is what we will use to summarize each book and keep track of how many books we have read.

It will be a lot of fun to reach and possibly even exceed our goal! So, get ready, get set, READ!

