



# 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–

Signed Planners due

Reading logs due

Band/Handbells

### Wednesday-

Buddy Chapel 8:20am

Band/Handbells

### Friday-

*Leader In Me Assembly  
8:20am*

Math homework due

Spelling Points due

Spelling Test 1

Memory Quiz 2

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

## Doing Our Best!

Well, just like third grade, fourth grade has homework and responsibility. The difference this year is...duh, duh, duh...THE PLANNER! That's right. It is no longer up to the teacher and the parents, but now it is up to YOU, the student.

Some might say that fourth grade is "where the rubber meets the road." It might seem very difficult at first, but between the skills taught this year, and help from parents, we will take charge of ourselves and our own learning! We will become *life leaders!*

We spent time this week on our new math unit: Naming and Constructing Geometric Figures. We learned new math terms, used many ways to create shapes, lines

and angles. We also learned how to do a mad minute!!! We will be having a timed math fact test weekly. We will graph our scores every time, so we can keep track of our progress. So, make sure you brush up on facts. First we're doing addition and subtraction.

We also started a new novel called, Donovan's Word Jar, by MonaLisa DeGross. We have been using this book to practice responding to literature. We have also been practicing our routines for independent reading time.

We spent time this week setting up our writing materials and practicing our routines for writing time. We also received a new brainstorm book! This is a mini journal for logging in new

ideas!

God's creation has been our focus in Religion class. We have been focusing on God's omnipresence, omnipotence, and omniscience. He knows us, loves us and created us special. We also integrated journal writing into our devotional time this week.

We explored the smart board this week while practicing some new spelling patterns. That thing is fun!!!

What have we been learning from The Leader In Me? See the back of this newsletter!

Thank you for all of your help getting the fourth graders on the right track. *We may not be able to do some things alone, but together we can do anything!*

## Volunteer Update

Thank you all for sending in your volunteer options so promptly.

This year, we have to have background checks on all volunteers. This is a helpful tool for making sure your child is safe.

Therefore, I will have to wait until I receive a list of names that have completed the background check. Once I receive this list, I will contact you to set up days, times, or events for volunteers.

Thanks for your patience in this manner.

So far it looks like a Monday helper is hard to come by. If you know you can specifically help anytime on Mondays it is very much needed. Let me know!

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Teach them [God's commandments] to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up...so that your days and the days of your children will be many.

-Deuteronomy 11:19-21

# Highlight the Habits!

**We have been learning more about GREETING. We learned the 5 S's:**

See– Look at the person you're going to greet.

Stand– Stand up to greet someone if you're sitting.

Smile– Smile at the person to make them feel welcome.

Shake– Shake their hand.

Say– Say your name, ask theirs, and tell or ask them more!

**We have also been focusing on HABIT 1: BE PROACTIVE.**

This habit means “I'm in charge.” I carry my own weather. I choose how I will feel and act. I take responsibility for my words and actions. I choose to make the right choice before being asked.

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