

August 2017

Dear 4th Grade Students and Families,

Welcome to fourth grade at Merion Elementary School! My name is Mrs. Abby Oppenheim and I will be your fourth grade teacher for the 2017-2018 school year. I am so excited to meet all of you and have a successful year! I am incredibly excited to be teaching fourth grade at Merion Elementary School again.

Fourth grade is a year that many extra-curricular activities become available to you. You have the opportunity to learn how to play a musical instrument, join the chorus and participate in after-school sports!

We have an exciting year ahead with many new things to learn. We will learn about Pennsylvania- government, history and geography as well as the Native Americans in this area through our Social Studies Curriculum. In Science we will learn about ecosystems, electricity/magnetism, and the solar system!

I have many activities, games, and exciting learning centers planned to help us move through our Language Arts and Math units as well. I can't wait to get the year started so we can make fun memories together!

Included on the back of this letter is a supply "wish" list, if you are able to gather these materials before the first day of school that would be a big help!

Enjoy your last days of summer and come ready to learn and begin a memorable 4th grade year. I will see you in Room 201 on September 5th, 2017.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Abby Oppenheim

P.S. Please come prepared to share your favorite book with the class!

Suggested Supply List
2017-2018 4th Grade – Mrs. Oppenheim (4O)

(5) Different color two-pocket folders (yellow, blue, red, green, and 1 of your choice)

2 Inch 3 Ring Binder

(3) One-subject spiral notebooks

(1) One inch plastic binder

24 pack of crayons

1 pack of thin markers*

Scissors

Glue sticks (several)

3x3 Post-it notes

Erasers

24 (or more) Pencils

Highlighters

(2) Blue/Black ballpoint pens

Dry Erase Marker

Old sock (used for an eraser)

Colored Pencils

Headphones for the Laptops

*You may also get a pack of thick markers if you wish, but we do need the thin ones for class.

Introducing... YOUR Child

I'd like to know more about your child, through your eyes. The more I know, the better I can design an educational and motivational program to fit his or her particular needs.

Please answer the questions and complete the information below. Remember, this is from *your* point of view. Please send it in with your child as soon as it's completed. **PLEASE RETURN BY 9/17/15.**

Thank you!

Child's Name _____ Homeroom: _____

- List five (5) words that best describe your child's *character* (competitive, cheerful, perfectionist):

- What *motivates* your child?

- What *upsets* your child?

- What are your child's out-of-school *interests* and *activities*?

- What activities do you *share*? What problems/successes do you have working/playing together?

- What *study skills* does your child need to develop? (neatness, timeliness, organization, etc.)

- Which academic subjects are your child's best? Weakest?

- What particular academic areas would you like to see emphasized?

- What *social skills* would you like to see developed?

- Are there any *personal* or *physical problems* I should know (or conference privately) about?

- Other comments or concerns?

Parent Signature _____