



4th grade News

September 2011 ****Ms. Westfall, Mrs. Widener, Mr. Blokzyl****

Reading is Great!

What a great start to the year in Reading. We have dug deeper into the skills of inferences and predicting. Looked a little closer at author's viewpoint and how it changes the story if a second character chimes in with their perspective. Our skill for this week has been sequencing, retelling the story in it's correct order.

Grammar concepts have been to identify common and proper nouns, compound sentences, as well as four types of sentences.

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Mastering Math



opportunities to show reading progress!

Can you believe how time has flown by?? Everyday math curriculum has taken us on a trip to Washington D.C. to see how numbers are used in our day to day life. Taking a closer look at graphing data, we have made bar graphs, line plots and tally charts. The data we have collected helps us to find the median, mode and range of a set of numbers. Our problem solving skills have given us two new ways to add

Science:

Our classes have finished up Chapter 2: The Animal Kingdom.

Ask your child what the difference between vertebrate and invertebrate, warm-blooded and cold-blooded, or what an exoskeleton is for a starfish. Students will be working on a foldable activity that will show all they have learned, so that it may be displayed in the room.



Remember, Remember, Remember

- *Spelling words start new on Mondays, with a test on Friday. Keep studying.*
- *Agendas should be looked over and asked about each night, please sign at the bottom of each day.*
- *Every student should be reading at night and marking their time in their reading log found in their FROG BINDER.*
- *Library books due back on Fridays.*
- *Please remind your children to wear tennis shoes for PE.*



Coming up:

Oct. 14th—no school
Oct.17-20th—P/T conference week

Bulldog Pride Song:

Prairie Bulldogs Show Pride!
Show Pride!

I'm prepared for class.
I can listen and learn.
My eyes are on the speaker
and I take my turn!

We do our work each and every day.
We don't give up. That's not our way!
I show respect to everyone in school.

Using kind words and actions makes me real cool!
So make good choices and have a great day.
Show your Prairie Pride in your work and play!

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Inside Story Headline

This story can fit 150-200 words.

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While your main goal of distributing a newsletter might be to sell your product or service, the key to a successful newsletter is making it useful to your readers.

A great way to add useful content to your newsletter is to develop and write your own articles, or include a calendar of upcoming events or a special offer that promotes a new product.

You can also research articles or find

“filler” articles by accessing the World Wide Web. You can write about a variety of topics but try to keep your articles short.

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If the newsletter is distrib-

uted internally, you might comment upon new procedures or improvements to the business. Sales figures or earnings will show how your business is growing.

Some newsletters include a column that is updated every issue, for instance, an advice column, a book review, a letter from the president, or an editorial. You can also profile new employees or top customers or vendors.

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choose and import into your newsletter. There are also several tools you can use to draw shapes and symbols.

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Primary Business Address
Address Line 2
Address Line 3
Address Line 4

Phone: 555-555-5555
Fax: 555-555-5555
E-mail: someone@example.com



Organization

Business Tagline or Motto

This would be a good place to insert a short paragraph about your organization. It might include the purpose of the organization, its mission, founding date, and a brief history. You could also include a brief list of the types of products, services, or programs your organization offers, the geographic area covered (for example, western U.S. or European markets), and a profile of the types of customers or members served.

It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.

Back Page Story Headline

This story can fit 175-225 words.

If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the readers attention. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organization is small, you may want to list the names of all employees.

If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind readers to mark their calendars for a reg-

ular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the month, or a biannual charity auction.

If space is available, this is a good place to insert a clip art image or some other graphic.



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