## The Communicator

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## **Hello Families!**

This year is moving quickly and spring is just around the corner! Hope you are all doing well and able to read and discuss with your children daily, along with practicing Math facts, skills, and concepts.

Very Important Reminders.......Scholastic News (SN) is assigned and goes home on most Mondays to be reread and discussed with an adult. Rereading informational text is very important for reading growth and not only provides additional reading practice, but improves fluency and deepens comprehension of complex text. And research proves that students who read outside of class reach higher levels of academic achievement than their peers who do not read outside of class.

AND.....Accelerated Reader books are assigned to be read by the last day of each month. Please follow up with your child on this every month! As noted above, reading outside of class is the true ticket to academic achievement.

Read Across America Day will be celebrated on Monday, March 2nd. We will D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything and Read) from 2-2:50. Snacks and a water will be provided. ☺

Please join us for Math and Science Family Night on Thursday, March 5th. Sign up forms were sent home.

HEART posters are due back by March 6<sup>th</sup>.

Upcoming IAR Assessments (Illinois Assessment of Readiness) are scheduled. Fourth grade will test March 16<sup>th</sup>-23rd. Please make sure your child gets plenty of sleep and eats breakfast the mornings of. Attendance on these days is very important as missed assessments will have to be made up. Students must also arrive on time (before 7:55) as once the classroom doors close for testing no one may enter.

March 18<sup>th</sup> is the end of the third quarter. Please check grades in Skyward on a regular basis as hard copies are no longer sent home. There will be a third quarter PBIS reward for students with 7 or less marks on the chart for behavior or homework.

March 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00-Silent Auction to help raise awareness and supplies for the animals at Benld Adopt-A-Pet shelter. Student created works of art will be auctioned and there will be other items donated by local businesses for raffle. (There will be a student assembly on Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup> so you may be hearing lots about it!)

AR is due on or before Tuesday, March 31st.

## **Gentle Reminders:**

Assignments are posted on the Fourth Grade link every day and grades are accessible through Skyward. Teachers also have websites that can be referenced.

Thank you!

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