

# Incoming Messages

## NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2014

GREETINGS 4T PARENTS,

THIS MONTH'S NEWSLETTER WILL ALSO INCLUDE THE SHORTENED SCHOOL MONTH OF DECEMBER. I WILL SEND OUT ADDITIONAL EMAILS IF NECESSARY. YOU CAN ALSO CHECK OUT THE CLASS CALENDAR ON THE CLASS WEBSITE FOR A MORE UPDATED LIST OF EVENTS.

AT THE END OF THIS MONTH THE FIRST REPORT CARDS WILL BE SENT HOME. I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOU COULD SIGN AND RETURN THE ENVELOPE BUT NOT THE REPORT CARD - THAT IS ALL YOURS. ADDITIONALLY, ENSURE THAT YOU ARE SIGNING OR HIGHLIGHTING THE MONTHLY CALENDAR IN THE AGENDA SO I KNOW HOW MUCH HOME READING IS BEING COMPLETED BY STUDENTS. I USE THIS INFORMATION ON THE REPORT CARD.

IN MATH, WE HAVE BEGUN TO EXPLORE MULTI-DIGIT ADDITION AND SUBTRACTION. WE SHOULD HAVE THIS UNIT COMPLETE BY THE END OF THE MONTH. WE HAVE COMPLETED OUR FIRST SCIENCE UNIT, 'LIGHT AND SHADOW', AND WE WILL BE STARTING THE NEXT UNIT, "WASTE IN OUR WORLD".

STUDENTS ARE FINISHING OFF THE GEOGRAPHY UNIT IN SOCIAL AND STARTING A CAPPING PROJECT OF A PRESENTATION ON THE REGIONS OF ALBERTA. LANGUAGE ARTS WILL COMPLETE OUR STUDY OF NON-FICTION TEXT FEATURES AND WE WILL BEGIN OUR NOVEL STUDY "CHRONICLES OF NARNIA". GOOD TIMES.

MATT TRIPP (AKA MR T)

## DATES TO REMEMBER

NOV 17TH - PARENT COUNCIL

NOV 24-27TH - HIP HOP ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

NOV 28TH - REPORT CARDS

DEC 3RD - EARLY DISMISSAL

DEC 5TH - SKATE DAY

DEC 11TH - SKI DAY

DEC 16TH - HIP HOP ASSEMBLY

DEC 18TH - ENGLISH XMAS DINNER

DEC 19TH - EARLY DISMISSAL

DEC 20TH-JAN 4TH - WINTER BREAK

JAN 7TH - EARLY DISMISSAL

MR. T SAYS:

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## MATH

MATH IS A DIFFICULT SUBJECT FOR MANY TO GRASP. AS THE YEAR (AND YEARS PROGRESS) MATH WILL ONLY GET HARDER. THE BEST WAY OF STAYING ON TOP OF THINGS IS TO PRACTICE. THERE ARE THREE PARTS TO THIS. FIRST, WHEN THERE IS HOMEWORK MAKE SURE ALL ASSIGNMENTS ARE COMPLETE BEFORE THEY ARE TO BE HANDED IN. SECONDLY PRACTICE BASIC MATH FACTS. MASTERING THE BASIC FACTS IS ESSENTIAL. USE THE MATH GAMES ON THE WEBSITE TO PRACTICE THESE. THE THIRD PART IS READING. THIS MAY SEEM ODD BUT MATH HAS A STRONG READING COMPONENT, ESPECIALLY PROBLEM SOLVING QUESTIONS.

## REMEMBER!

DON'T FORGET TO CHECK YOUR CHILD'S AGENDA FOR THE EVENTS, HOMEWORK OR OTHER INFORMATION. WE WRITE A MESSAGE EVERY DAY.

## HOMEWORK?

AS YOU HAVE NOTICED STUDENTS IN 4T DO NOT GET MUCH FORMALLY ASSIGNED HOMEWORK. I OFTEN GIVE STUDENTS ENOUGH TIME TO FINISH TASKS IN CLASS. THIS DOES NOT MEAN THERE IS NOTHING TO DO AT HOME. STUDENTS SHOULD PRACTICE THEIR BASIC MATH FACTS AND BE FREE READING AS WELL.

## REMEMBER:

MAKE SURE TO RECORD READING ON THE MONTHLY AGENDA CALENDAR