

School Supplies

Plastic pocket folders with prongs (1 each - red, yellow, blue, purple, 2 each – green)
2 composition notebooks
2 3-subject spiral notebooks
1 box #2 pencils
1 checking pen
1 pkg. of pencil top erasers
Two packs of glue sticks
1 pair scissors
1 highlighter
1 box colored pencils or markers
1 pack sticky notes
2 packs of lined paper
1 supply pouch
1 calculator

Grade 4 Schedule

Lunch – 12:50 – 1:20 PM
Recess – 12:30 – 12:45 PM

Your child brought home their individual schedules the first week of school. Please check the special schedule so your child has the appropriate attire for PE and Art on the correct day.

Specials Schedule

Keegan–	Mon – Media/Guidance/PE Tuesday – PE Wednesday – V. Music Thursday – Art Friday – Health
Gray -	Monday – Health Tuesday – Art Wed – PE/Guidance/Media Thurs. – V. Music Friday – PE
Martin -	Monday – V. Music Tuesday – Health Wed– Media/Guidance/PE Thursday – PE Friday – Art
McCormick -	Mon –PE/Media/Guidance Tues – PE Wednesday – Art Thursday – Health Friday - Music



Fourth Grade 2010-2011

Sandymount Elementary

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*Mr. Keegan
Ms. Gray
Ms. Martin
Ms. McCormick*

What We're Learning

ILA – Students will be reading short fiction and non-fiction texts. We will focus on comprehension strategies and higher level thinking skills, such as inferencing, comparing/contrasting, and synthesizing information.

Writing – Students will focus on the Six Traits in a Writer's Workshop format.

Math – Students are expected to have the basic addition and subtraction facts memorized. The following concepts will be taught this year: addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division of whole numbers and decimals, measurement, geometry, probability, and fractions.

Social Studies and Science – Each subject will be studied for two quarters. Social Studies units will include geography, Maryland's past, and Maryland's present. Science units will include adaptations' Force and Motion; electricity; magnetism, light, and sound and water quality.

Homework

All students are encouraged to copy all assignments in their agendas or keep a homework calendar. Homework will be assigned at the discretion of the teacher and should take approximately 40 minutes per night.

How to Help Us at Home

- We can be contacted by phone, note, or e-mail. Our email addresses are as follows: Ms. McCormick aemccorl@carrollk12.org;
- Mr. Keegan jekeega@carrollk12.org; Ms. Gray hegray@carrollk12.org; and Ms. Martin skmarti@carrollk12.org.
- When your child is absent, call the school office by 9:30 am to arrange for work to be gathered and picked up or sent home with another student.
- No toys should be brought to school unless for special activities. Toys will be confiscated and held by the teacher. Also, portable CD players, MP3 players, PSPs etc. should not be brought to school
- In the event your child must bring a cell phone to school he/she will need to leave it in the office when they get off the bus and pick it up at the end of the day.

Volunteers

Volunteers are used on an as needed basis. If you would like to volunteer to help with various clerical duties, please email your teacher with available times. Thank you.

Celebrations

We will be celebrating academic success and/or character traits throughout the year.

Field Trips

For any parent who may wish to be a chaperone this year, please remember to attend a mandatory training session for all volunteers. There will be volunteer training immediately before and after all back to school nights. Check the monthly Sandymount Chipmunk Chatter for other volunteer training dates. Training must be completed 7 school days prior to the date of the field trip.

Birthdays

Our school policy states that "food" treats may no longer be sent in to celebrate a student's birthday. You may want to instead send in pencils, stickers, books for the classroom, or games/puzzles for indoor playtime.

Reporting to Parents

Interim reports will be sent home the first quarter; and if a grade drops at any other time the teacher feels necessary. Report cards will be sent home four times this year, please sign and return the brown report card envelope the next school day.