Hello Fourth Grade Families,

Google Classroom Library:

To encourage students to continue reading independently on a daily basis, I will be adding links to a few ebook titles on my google classroom classwork page. My goal with this is to provide students with easy access to independent reading options they might otherwise not have at this time. It is not mandatory for students to select a book from my library list if they have their own books to read at this time.

"Office Hours" Week of 5/4/20:

Monday 3:00 - 3:30pm, Tuesday 9:30 - 10:00am, Thursday 9:30 -10:00am, Friday 3:00 - 3:30pm

This week in Language Arts, our focus was on identifying causes and effects in texts. Additionally, students analyzed story elements found in tall tales as we examined some of the reasons people moved west in the mid-1800's. We also spent some time using context clues to determine and differentiate the meanings of homographs used in text. In grammar, our focus was on using the articles a, an, and the correctly with nouns. While working collaboratively in small groups this week, each group finished writing their group persuasive essays about "Distance Learning". Our Literature Circle group also continued reading independently and discussing their chapter book during our small group meetings this week.

In Math, our focus was on using various strategies to multiply fractions and mixed numbers by whole numbers. We also spent some time reviewing long division strategies and problem-solving with line plots.

In Science, we continued with our Rock Patterns and Changing Land Units. This week students viewed and erosion demonstration, which compared how different types of soil affect the erosion process. During Reading group meetings this week, students also read and discussed an article about the three different types of rocks found on Earth.

Please be aware Wednesday, May 6th is a Professional Development Day for teachers. For this reason, there will be no Google Meetings scheduled on Wednesday, and there will be no school work assigned on Wednesday.

Stay safe and healthy.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely, Jennifer Alviano