

Welcome to 4th Grade!

August 10, 2009

Letter to Parents

Important Things to Remember

- Folders come home on Mondays.
- Bring all school supplies.
- Sign and return all forms.
- Be a volunteer!
- **JOIN THE PTA!**

West is Best!

*Sue Bouldin—English/
Writing*

Keenan Fowlkes—Science

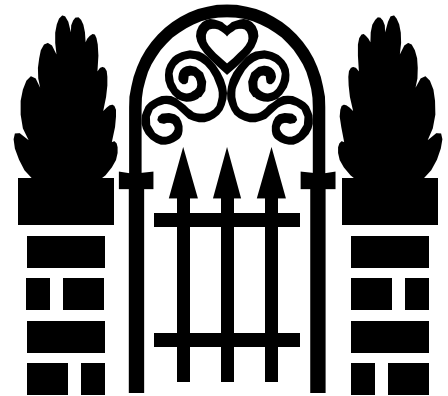
Jane Neal—Alabama History

Candice Sanders—Reading

Brenda Darnell—Math

Dear Parents:

We are delighted to be teaching your child this year! Teaching your child is important to us. Fourth grade will be a big transition since we change classes. We are planning to have a great year! We would like to explain some of the things that will be happening this year.



Every Monday your child will bring home a folder that will include a “Parent Newsletter,” information from the office (if any), graded tests or test grades, and other information as needed. Please look over this folder with your child, sign the folder where indicated, and return the next day. Any papers below a **70** will need to be signed.

Supplies are needed as soon as possible. We ask that you follow our supply list. There will be times when extra items are needed in the classroom. We will include this information in the weekly newsletter.

We will have three field trips: a visit to our state capital in Montgomery, a visit to a theatrical performance, and will attend the Water Festival in Hanceville. We will need chaperones. Also, don’t forget to sign up for the classroom parties and PTA projects. It takes all of us doing our part to make it a great school year!

Please Fill Out and Sign All Forms ASAP!

We Experience Success Together!

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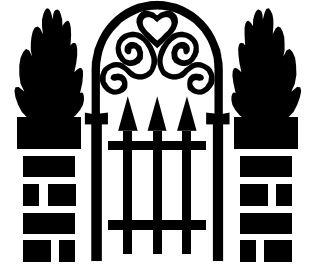
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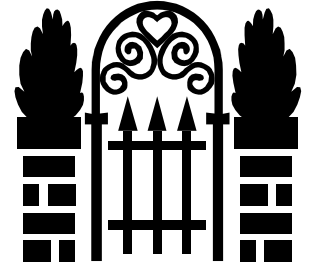
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Organization Address
Your Address Line 2
Your Address Line 3
Your Address Line 4

Phone: 555-555-5555
Fax: 555-555-5555
Email: xyz@microsoft.com



Your organization tag line here.

We're on the Web!
example.microsoft.com

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

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