

Welcome to Room 45!

Dear Parents and students,

Congratulations on your successful completion of Third grade. Fourth grade is a new adventure right around the corner. I want to give you and your child some information to prepare you for this coming school year.

My name is Ms. VanDenBusch. I've been teaching for more than 15 years and have been at Fairview for 11 years. Watching children learn and become excited about learning is the best part of my job.

Fourth grade is an important year and summer is a good time to keep practicing skills. Children should read every day. Choose a variety of books and relax. They are a great way to escape summer boredom. Keeping a writing journal is an excellent way for students to keep up their writing skills. Write about anything; make up stories, what happens to you, your dreams. Don't forget to practice basic addition, subtraction and multiplication facts.

Our classroom rules are to be respectful of people and materials, be ready to learn, try your best and have a positive attitude. Students who follow the rules will not only receive an extra Friday recess, but positive feedback and a feeling of pride. Students who make poor choices will first receive a warning, followed by a time - out, then a see me later sheet to be completed during recess, and a phone call home.

Students should have their supplies by the end of the first week of school. (See the attached supply list.) As supplies run out you will need to replace them.

Learning is our top priority. We have a lot to accomplish in a year. If you need to contact me over the summer, feel free to email me at vandecm@milwaukee.k12.wi.us

Have a wonderful summer. I look forward to meeting everyone in September. It's going to be a great year and we'll have a lot of fun learning.

Sincerely,
Ms. VanDenBusch