

WELCOME!



August 31, 2015

Dear 4A Families,

Welcome to the new school year and to 4th grade! It is such a privilege to be a part of the Holy Rosary school community and teach the amazing 4th grade students! I am looking forward to getting to know each and every one of my new students and their families.

Expect to see a newsletter each Monday. This letter will contain information about our weekly studies, upcoming events, permission slips, book orders and all you will need to know in order to keep up with the goings on in 4A. **Please take time to read the newsletter each week, as it is an important form of school/home communication.** I work hard to keep the 4A website updated weekly with many helpful links and resources. Beginning the week of September 14th newsletters will be distributed online only. I will go over the features of the website on Parent's Night, but please feel free to check it out before then!



I look forward to meeting you all at Back to School Night this Thursday the 3rd. At this time I will discuss our academic program as well as the ins and outs of life in 4th grade. If you are unable to attend, please let me know so that I can get the information packet to you.

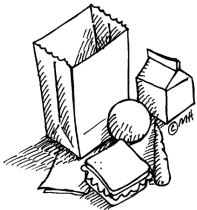
Your student is bringing home a student profile sheet. Please return it to school no later than **Thursday, September 10th**. The profile is confidential and helps me to better know your child. I truly appreciate the time you spend on these profiles. Your insights and comments are invaluable.



This week we will be spending the majority of our time learning classroom and school expectations as well as practicing the procedures and routines that will help our school year run smoothly. The time we spend now will help to ensure our school year runs smoothly and efficiently.

The class schedule will be in the Parent's Night packet, but there are a couple of things I wanted to share regarding our schedule:

- Health and Fitness (P.E.) in 4A is scheduled for **Mondays and Fridays** this year. Students should be sure to wear appropriate shoes for P.E. class on these days.
- **Tuesday** is our library day, and students should have their library books back to school to return or renew each Tuesday.
- The students will meet their science teacher, Ms. Walder, later this week when we switch for the first time. Ms. Walder is looking forward to meeting and working with the 4A students.



Students may bring a **healthy snack** to school each day. We will eat our snacks before or after the first recess. I ask that snack choices be healthy such as fruit, veggies, cheese, yogurt, crackers, etc. No chips or sweets please. Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle.

Good communication is the key to a successful year. **The filers will be handed out and organized on Tuesday—when we have more time to organize the tabs. Students may use their filers from 3rd grade or purchase a new one from the school.** Tests, newsletters, and the homework will be sent home in the filers. The first tab will be labeled ***School/Home***. Please check this section of the filer nightly and **remove any papers** found there. This is also where you will place any correspondence that you need to return to school. If you have any questions, concerns or insights, please do not hesitate to contact me. I check my email regularly and it is the quickest form of communication. My email address is:

msimpson@holyroaryws.org

I will be creating a 4A email group list so that I can send out important information throughout the school year. This list is essential for quick and efficient communication between home and school. **If you could send me an email with the email(s) that you would like included on this list this week, I would greatly appreciate it!**



I am so excited to meet and get to know all! I know that we will have an amazing year together.

**Have a wonderful first
week of school!**