Hello!

*In Math the students have been decomposing fractions using addition and multiplication $(4/6 = 1/6 + 1/6 + 1/6 + 1/6 and 4/6 = 4 \times 1/6)$ and modeling fractions with a tape diagram (fraction bar). Next week we will learn about equivalent fractions, comparing fractions, and adding and subtracting fractions.

*This week in Language Arts we have started reading nonfiction. We discussed how to make connections to our reading and also how to preview what we are reading. We found out that we do read a lot of nonfiction when we actually sit down and think about it. We also spent some time reading a nonfiction book called <u>BUZZ</u>. We will continue to work through nonfiction reading and also nonfiction writing. -Keep working on the Grammar packets and reading logs, please.

*We have continued studying ecosystems in Science. We did an activity, read, and answered questions about how animals respond to the environment

*In Social Studies we have started discussing frontier wars and who the participants were. We compared the settlers and the Native Americans. We also discovered what the settler army was called.

*Our Valentine's Day Party will be on Feb. 14th. The students should decorate a box or bag at home. They can bring it in on Feb. 13th or Feb. 14th. If your child is going to pass out Valentine's, please make sure they have one for every student. A class list was sent home yesterday.

*4th grade will be going on a field trip to The Fine Arts Association in Willoughby on February 8. A permission slip was sent home on Wednesday. Please return it by next Wednesday.

*Remember to check your child's grades on Infinite Campus. https://lgca.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/riverside.jsp

Upcoming events-Jan. 29 - Scholastic Book Orders due Jan 29 - Fundraiser at Max & Erma's Mentor 11 am- 10 pm

Next week-Monday- Day 5 Tuesday- Day 6 Wednesday- Day 1 Thursday- Day 2 Friday- Day 3

If you have any questions or concerns please contact us. Have a great weekend! Adam Kalb and Stacy Sepelak