



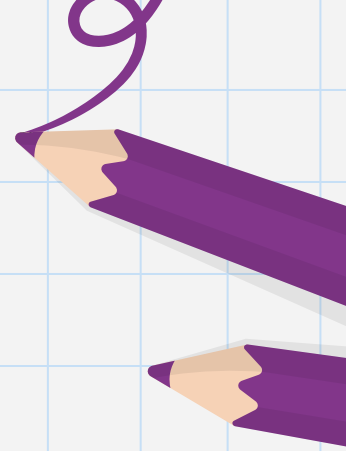
Welcome to a new School Year!

Miss Russo's 4th Grade Class

2020-2021

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Meet the Teacher



- 6th Year Teaching, but 1st Year at JMI!
 - Taught as a Long Term Substitute and a Full Time Teacher in multiple areas:
 - 5th grade, 1st grade, 2nd grade, resource teacher and interventionist for multiple grade levels, and now teaching 4th grade
- Graduated from Rowan University
 - Degree in Elementary Education and Mathematics
 - Standard Certification in Elementary Ed K-6 and Mathematics Grades 5-8

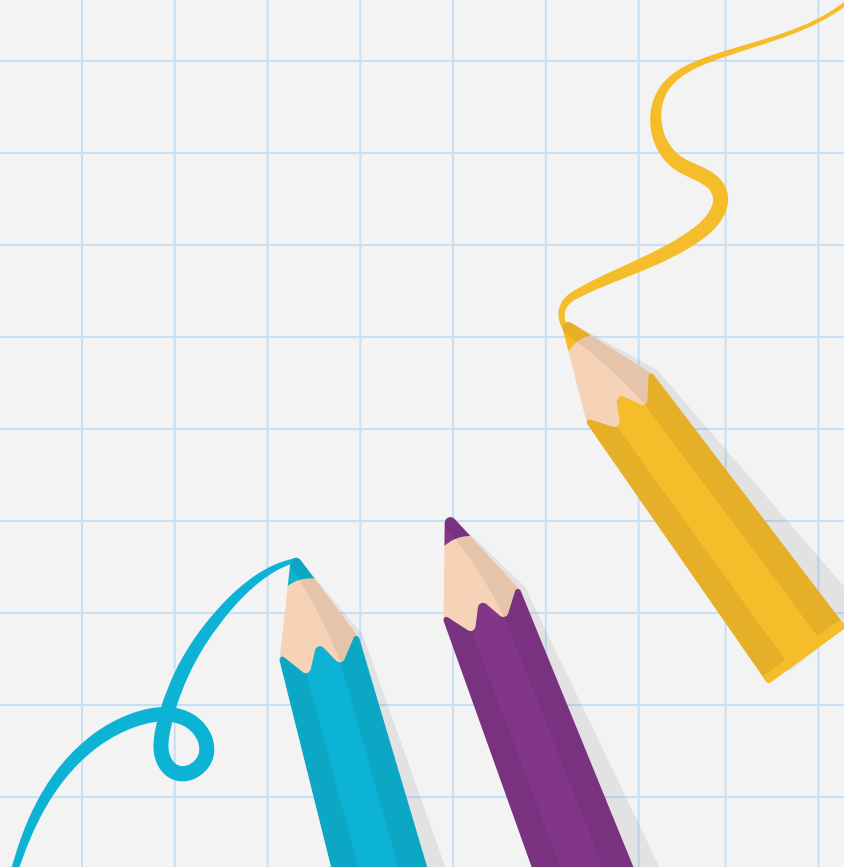


New Additions This Year:

- Remote Learning
- Collaborative Literacy ELA Curriculum
 - Making Meaning
 - Being a Writer
- Study Island
 - Science Content Added
 - Social Studies Content Added
- Social Studies Grades

Continuing this Year:

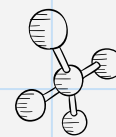
- Responsive Classroom
- Morning Meeting
- Exact Path for Math
- Health Units integrated in Science
- Closing Circle



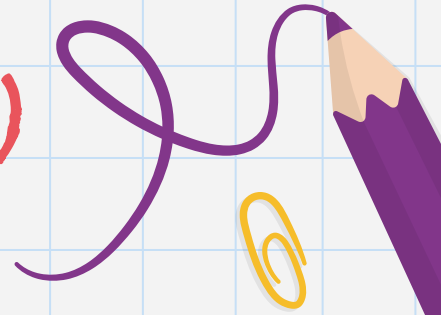


Our Schedule

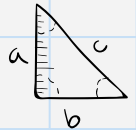
TIME	SUBJECT
9:00-9:20	MORNING MEETING - ALL STUDENTS JOIN
9:20-9:50	WRITING (M-T-W)/SCIENCE (TH-F)
9:52-10:22	SPECIAL (SEE BELOW)
10:24-10:29	BREAK
10:29-10:59	READING
11:01-11:31	READING SMALL GROUP
11:33-11:38	BREAK
11:38-12:08	MATH
12:10-12:40	MATH SMALL GROUP
12:40-12:55	CLOSING CIRCLE - ALL STUDENTS JOIN



Our Schedule (Continued)



TIME	SUBJECT
12:55-1:55	LUNCH
1:55-2:15	SMALL GROUP FOR ALL SUBJECTS
2:20-2:40	SMALL GROUP FOR ALL SUBJECTS
2:45-3:05	SMALL GROUP FOR ALL SUBJECTS
3:05-3:30	TEACHER PROGRESS CHECKS STUDENTS FINISH UP CLASSWORK




Specials Schedule

SPECIALS WILL BE AT 9:52-10:22 EACH DAY

DAY	SPECIAL
MONDAY	SPANISH
TUESDAY	MUSIC
WEDNESDAY	GYM
THURSDAY	ART
FRIDAY	GYM





Google Classroom

Please make sure your child has joined all 6 of our Google Classrooms.

Classroom Codes:

Homeroom: 06a4n3c

Reading: eybdjk4

Math: ojsbi24



Writing: mz35kgu

Science: anu2cyd

Social Studies: bu2ty6a

Google CLASSroom Information



- All Morning Meetings, Closing Circles, and Live Instruction will take place using the Google Meet Link in Miss Russo's 4th Grade Homeroom Google Classroom.
 - <https://meet.google.com/lookup/cbhptwbii7>
 - General information, resources, and updates will also be posted in the Homeroom Google Classroom.
 - All assignments will be posted in its own content area Google Classroom.
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Remote Learning Expectations



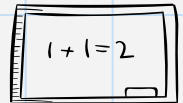
- MORNING MEETINGS and CLOSING CIRCLE are mandatory. Students should be logging on to these meetings at 9:00 am and 12:40 pm.
- GOOGLE CLASSROOM is where I will post announcements and assignments. Announcements will be posted in the section called "Stream" and Assignments will be posted in the "Classwork" section with the due date and time.
- ASSIGNMENTS, for the most part, will be due the same day that it is assigned, unless otherwise noted.
- PARENTS & GOOGLE CLASSROOM: Most parents are labeled as "guardians" on google classroom and thus should be getting email summaries of any missing work from their classes. This DOES NOT give you access to see all of their work, announcements, and classes; it will just show you if your child is missing work or not. In order to see your child's assignments, you will need to have them login to their google classroom and show you. If you are not signed up, let me know and I will add you!



Remote Learning Expectations (Continued)



- Please mute your microphone when you enter the meeting. Unmute to speak when you are called on, and mute again once you have finished speaking.
- Keep your camera on at all times.
- Have supplies ready and nearby.
- Make a quiet space to work.
- Raise your hand to ask a question or to participate.
- Type your question or answer in the chat if someone else is speaking.
- Practice active listening
- Please try to use the bathroom and eat snacks before joining the meeting or during the scheduled break times.



Key Concepts and Resources for Reading and Writing

Reading Concepts

- Main Ideas and Details
- Compare and Contrast
- Cause and Effect
- Research and Reference
- Author's Purpose
- Summarizing
- Sequence of Events
- Inferences
- Vocabulary skills

WITHIN

- Read-aloud experiences
- Guided and independent strategy practice
- Independent reading and individual conferences

Resources

- Collaborative Classroom - Making Meaning
- Pioneer Valley- Literacy Footprints Guided Reading Kits Grades K-5
 - Digital access will be available
- Rising Voices Diverse Literature Set

Writing Concepts

- Narratives
- Opinion
- Informative/Explanatory
- Research Projects
- Grammar Skills

WITHIN

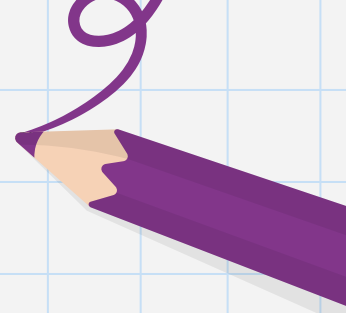
- Writing process approach
- Mentor texts/published authors as models
- Writing Time
 - Conferences with teacher
 - Conferences with peers
- Share/Publish

Resources

- Collaborative Classroom - Being a Writer



Key Concepts and Resources for Math and Science



Math Concepts

- Multiplication and Division
- Modeling with Data
- 2-D Geometry and Measurement
- Addition, Subtraction & the Number System
- Fractions and Decimals Skills
- Analyzing Patterns and Rules

WITHIN

- Student-centered mathematics
- Active learning and collaboration
- More than one way to solve it
- Explain and justify reasoning

Resources

- Math Investigations
- Exact Path
- Study Island

Science Concepts

Earth & Space Science - Earth's Systems:
Processes That Shape The Earth

- The History Of Planet Earth
- Earth's Systems
- Natural Hazards

Physical Science - Waves: Waves & Information

- Waves, Light, and Information

Physical Science - Energy

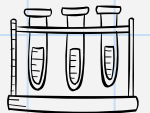
- Transdisciplinary Unit

Life Science - Structure, Function, and
Information Processing

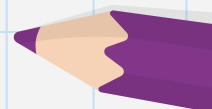
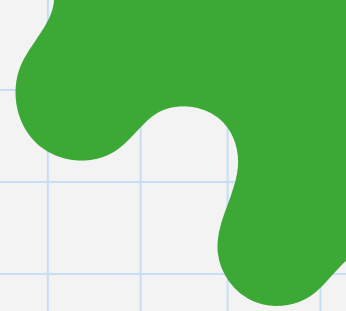
- Molecules To Organisms

Resources

- Discovery Education
- Mystery Science
- Study Island
- NewsEla



Grading



Reading:

Unit Assessments: 10%
Quizzes/Skills Assessments: 40%
Classwork: 45%
Homework: 5%

Writing:

Published/Final Draft Writing: 10%
Writing Pieces: 40%
Classwork/Skills Work: 45%
Homework: 5%

Social Studies:

Unit Tests: 10%
Quizzes/Skills Assessments: 40%
Classwork/Practice: 45%
Homework: 5%

Math:

Unit Tests: 10%
Quizzes/Skills Assessments: 40%
Classwork/Practice: 45%
Homework: 5%

Science:

Unit Tests: 10%
Quizzes/Skills Assessments: 40%
Classwork: 45%
Homework: 5%



Grading System



A+ : 97-100

A : 93-96

A- : 90-92

B+ : 87-89

B : 83-86

B- : 80-82

C+ : 77-79

C : 73-76

C- : 70-72

D : 65-69

F : 0-65





Thank You!

I am looking forward to a successful year and I can't wait to watch your children progress!

Any Questions?

My Contact Information

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Schedule phone call, if needed