

12-5-25

Happy Friday, Families!

It was so wonderful to welcome everyone back after Thanksgiving break and hearing all the fun stories! The students came back with renewed energy, and we had a strong week of learning together.

Our class will be reading *Boom Town* by Sonia Levitin, a fun and colorful story about America's westward expansion. In the book, Amanda, a young pioneer girl, finds a creative way to help her family and community by baking pies. Her entrepreneurial spirit helps turn a small settlement into a bustling boomtown!

To celebrate this story and bring history to life, we will have **Boomtown Day** on **December 17th**. We invite students to dress up like people from the "olden days" of the 1800s. Think pioneers, settlers, prospectors, shopkeepers, or other characters from that time period.

Ideas for clothing:

- Long skirts or dresses, aprons, bonnets for girls
- Jeans or plain pants, suspenders, button-up shirts, hats for boys
- Boots or simple shoes

Please keep costumes simple and comfortable—no need to buy anything new! Creativity is encouraged.

Thank you for helping us make this a fun and educational experience for the students!

Dates to Remember:

December 18: Holiday Party 12:45-1:45 (parents are invited)

December 19: PJ Day/Explore Your Passion/Reading is a Gift

December 22-January 5: Winter Break

January 6: Students return/Mrs. Williams' Birthday

Assessment Dates:

12/17	On/Adv/Acc Math Unit 4 Assessment
12/15	ELA Unit 3 Assessment

Curriculum Updates:

Math On/Adv Level	Students will find the area and perimeter of rectangular figures by using the formulas.
Math ACC	Students will use the correct order when solving word problems with different operations.
ELA (Writing & Grammar)	Students will revise for logical progression and key components of opinion essays.
Reading	Students will identify the main ideas and details from a story timeline. Students will identify the story plot.
Social Studies	Students will explain the motives for westward expansion, key events, and impacts.
RethinkEd	Students will understand the need to belong.

Reminder: We have a new Cafeteria Manager! Please email Cristhal Austin with birthday ice cream requests. She needs a few days to make sure she has enough on order. Her email is austinc4@fultonschools.org.

Have a great weekend,

The 4th Grade Team