

Dear Students & Parents,

Welcome to 4th Grade! We hope you had a fantastic summer and are looking forward to a great year! So far 2020 has been a year filled with new adventures and challenges, but we are confident that we will have an awesome year together.

You are probably wondering who "we" are! Well, this year you've hit the jackpot! You'll be working with three teachers! To start off the year, your teachers will be Ms. Santiago and Mrs. Strawman. Mrs. Rogowski is due with a baby boy in early October and will return to Barley Sheaf around February to finish out the school year with Mrs. Strawman.

Ms. Santiago is new to Barley Sheaf and is so excited to be a part of our school community. Mrs. Strawman has taught on the 4th grade team for the past 5 years and has taught at Barley Sheaf for 16 years. Mrs. Rogowski has been teaching for 8 years and this is her 2nd year at Barley Sheaf.

Parents, we are looking forward to working together to make your child's school year a successful and happy one. Starting the school year virtually is a new experience for us all. Fortunately, last year has taught us a lot, and we feel confident that we will overcome any trials and tribulations that get in our way. To do this, it is essential that we have a strong home to school connection. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns at [msantiag@frsd.k12.nj.us](mailto:msantiag@frsd.k12.nj.us), [astrawma@frsd.k12.nj.us](mailto:astrawma@frsd.k12.nj.us) [lrogowsk@frsd.k12.nj.us](mailto:lrogowsk@frsd.k12.nj.us). When emailing us, please be sure that all of us are copied on the email. We look forward to working with you as partners in your child's educational journey.

\* Here are some important notes for the first day of school:

- Please join our Google Classroom to be prepared for our first day of virtual learning together.
  1. Go to [www.classroom.google.com](http://www.classroom.google.com)
  2. Click the plus icon on the right and hit "Join Class"
  3. Enter the code: **Indx6lo**
- Your Chromebook should be fully charged and ready to go!
- Have a bottle of water nearby.
- Gather what supplies you have to create a good working station for virtual learning. We will talk more about this during our first few days of school.

\* This is what our daily schedule will look like each day:

- 8:50 am - 9:10 am: Morning Meeting
- 9:10 am - 9:50 am: Related Arts
- 9:50 am - 10:50 am: Math
- 10:50 am - 12:20 pm: Reading/ Writing/ Word Study
- 12:20 pm - 12:50 pm: Science/ Social Studies
- 12:50 pm - 1:30 pm: Lunch/ Recess
- 1:30 pm - 3:15 pm: Independent Work
- 3:15 pm - 3:35 pm: Check In Time



\* Parents, we will be sending you a Parent Survey. Please keep an eye on your email!

We hope you enjoy the last few days of summer and are excited for a wonderful school year! :)

Sincerely,

Mrs. Rogowski, Mrs. Strawman & Ms. Santiago