



# NEWS AT "4"



## Welcome!

School has begun and our team is super excited to be working with your scholars! The students are working diligently on reading, writing, math, and science. We are so proud of those students who have been coming to school each day focused and are prepared for learning.

## Concerns

On the other hand, the fourth-grade teachers have major concerns with some of our fourth-grade students' academics, as well as behavior. It is a well-known fact that parent involvement increases academic achievement and decreases behavior problems. In addition, when parents and teachers work as a team, the results are favorable for the students. Here is a list of ways to communicate with your child's 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher(s):

- Contact the school or send a note with your scholar to set up a conference with your child's teacher that is feasible for you.
- Communicate via email.

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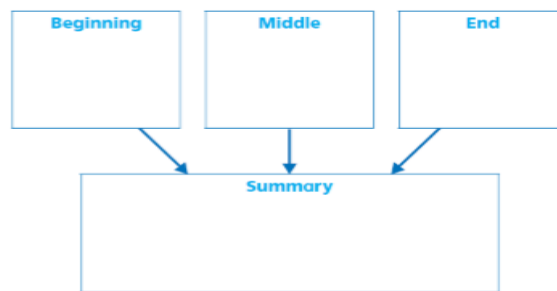
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## Strategies for Home

Exposing scholars to a wide range of informational texts or fictional books and reading with them for at least 30 minutes a day will be extremely beneficial. Also, practicing skills with your scholar that are highlighted on homework or in upcoming newsletters would give each of our students the extra practice that they need. Graphic organizers such as the one below will also assist your student with organizing their thoughts as they read or solve problems.



## Teacher Shout Outs

**Student of the Month: Demetrius Heckstall (Respect)**  
Demetrius has been chosen because he demonstrates respect on a daily basis to EVERYONE who he is around. This trait will take you far Demetrius and congratulations!

**Parent of the Month: Kendra Long (Dashaun Hill's Mom)**

## Important Dates

- September 3<sup>rd</sup> – Labor Day, school closed
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Week of September – Progress Report distribution
- September 21<sup>st</sup> – Eagle Buck Store

## Health

As you know, winter is approaching slowly, but surely. We are asking for any donations from the list below that you can supply to prevent the spread of germs to our students:

- Hand sanitizer/soap
- Tissues/paper towels