

WELCOME TO 4TH GRADE

Mrs. Birmingham

Mrs. Falcon

Mrs. Schall



YOUR NEW TEACHERS! (L TO R.)
MRS. SCHALL, MRS. FALCON, MRS. BIRMINGHAM

First off, we are thrilled your child is a student on our team! We are so excited to get to know your child and learn how to best serve their needs.

Dear Fourth Grade Families and Friends,

Next year, Weatherbee School will continue to follow the team specialization model. This model allows teachers to specialize in a content area they are passionate about and deliver their teaching to three classes of students, rather than just one. Our team consists of Mrs. Schall, Mrs. Falcon, and Mrs. Birmingham. Let's meet the team!

Mrs. Falcon - Hello! I teach math and science, two of my favorite subjects. I enjoy reading, cooking, eating, and spending time with my family. I am most excited to spend the summer with my new baby, Rosie.

Mrs. Schall - I teach reading and spelling. Reading children's books is one of my passions and I am thrilled that I get to share that passion with your children. Also, I love to go on adventures with my 2 daughters, husband, and our dog Hank. Many of our adventures include hiking, biking and traveling to new destinations. I have also discovered a love of yoga.

Mrs. Birmingham - This will be my fourth year at RSU22 but my 16th year teaching. I love to read, go for walks, spoil my cats, take photos and cook. My son will be headed into his last year of college where he studies writing. It must run in the family! I also have a grandson who is two years old. He is so much fun. You can be sure I will be playing with him a lot this summer!

More Information

Websites

Our team of teachers will have websites that will provide communication to parents and friends about our curriculum, homework, routines, projects, and other important information.

More information about communication will arrive home on the first day of school.

Remind App

We also communicate with families by using the Remind App. Families can receive reminders similar to text messages. We have found this app to be incredibly useful.

Volunteers Needed

We are always in need of volunteers for a variety of reasons. Please let us know if you would like to volunteer next year.

CURRICULUM NEWS

Academic Preview:

Science Topics of Study:

Land Changes, Energy, Waves, Renewable and Nonrenewable Resources, Biodiversity, and Plants and Cells

Social Studies Topics of Study: The U.S. Regions and U.S. Government

Writing: Personal Narratives, Realistic Fiction, Personal and Persuasive Essays, Informational Writing, and Literary Essay

Reading: Unit 1: Interpreting Characters, Unit 2: Reading the Weather, Reading the World, Unit 3: Reading History: The American



We love to teach and be serious but we LOVE to have fun too!

Revolution Unit 4: Historical Fiction Book Clubs

Snack: We will have a short snack break each day. * We are a peanut free team.*



*If you would like to donate snacks at any time, we welcome them for students who are hungry but forget to bring their snack.

Math: We will be using a new math curriculum called Envision. Envision closely follows the Common Core strands of number operations, algebra, measurement, data, and fractions.

Math Fact Practice: In 4th grade there is a heavy focus on multiplication and division facts. Want to get ahead by practicing these facts over the summer? Go for it! MobyMax, Xtramath, and IXL are wonderful free resources to maintain your momentum from 3rd grade!

Spelling: We will use the *Words Their Way* program.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Mrs. Schall -Reading & Spelling Teacher

Mrs. Schall is teaching the reading and spelling standards.

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Mrs. Falcon - Math and Science Teacher

Mrs. Falcon will be teaching math, science, and health.

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Mrs. Birmingham - Writing and Social Studies Teacher

Mrs. Birmingham will teach writing, social studies and grammar.

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Current Websites:

Currently, our websites are linked to the Weatherbee School site. Go to "About" and the "Faculty & Staff" link. Find our names and you can preview our sites. We will be working on updating/ changing them this summer.

Reading

Authors to Look For:

Patricia Polacco
Megan McDonald
Eve Bunting
Mary Pope Osborne
Seymour Simon
Gail Gibbons
Kate DiCamillo
Lynne Cherry
Chris Van Allsburg
Lauren Tarshis
Shel Silverstein
Jack Prelutsky
Andrew Clements
Dan Gutman
Gordon Korman
Cynthia Lord
Ann M. Martin
Gary Paulsen
Louis Sachar
Jerry Spinelli
Geronimo Stilton

We are so excited to meet you and your child! Please let us know if you have any questions. We look forward to strengthening our team this fall!

Enjoy your summer!



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<http://msba.umeedu.maine.edu/>