

# Fast Track Newsletter

November 1-30, 2006

## Miss Crocker Fourth Grade Willard R-II Schools



### **Important Dates**

Early Release @ 3:10 p.m.	Every Monday
Fourth Grade Program @ 7:00	Nov. 9
Book Orders Due	Nov. 10
Early Dismissal @ 12:30	Nov. 10
Early Dismissal @ 12:30	Nov. 22
NO SCHOOL	Nov. 23— 24

#### Spelling

Please be looking for a list on Monday evenings for the current weeks spelling words.

Our procedure is to introduce twenty words on Monday, word sort on Tuesday, complete our look, say, cover, check on Wednesday, buddy check on Thursday, spelling test on Friday.



## There's a crisp smell of learning in the air!



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m he~crisp}$ smell of learning is in Fourth Grade. Last month we began our Guided Reading groups and they are well on their way. I have to send out a big thank you to all the parents for being so patient while we got all our "t's crossed and i's dotted" so that your child's experience would be the one best suited to their needs

This month be looking for our class to discover all sorts of new learning. In mathematics we will be working on graphing, collecting date, or-

ganizing data, analyzing graphs and tables, as well as continued work in multiplication. Brush up on those multiplication facts!

In Science we will be discovering ecosystems, food chains, and the flow of energy in an ecosystem. We will also be getting our hands a little dirty with and earthworm project here in the next few weeks.

In Communication Arts we will begin work on a grading rubric for their stories. The students and I will be going over a variety of things including an accountability sheet for the number of stories they publish and a writer's checklist.

In reading we will still be working with our **Guided Reading** groups and continually holding the students accountable for their 80 minutes of reading each week. As many of you know after Student-led conferences, those reading logs are worth 25 points each week.

Stay posted for more news from the Fourth Grade!