

Special Areas

World Language

Students will learn to communicate in and understand Spanish according to the four language domains: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. They will study cultural products, the Spanish alphabet, and geography, animals, colors, and parts of the body. Class will be conducted in Spanish as much as possible to maximize student exposure to Spanish.

Visual Art

Name creature (Symmetry, reflection)
Negative & positive space project
Mola
Watercolor sunset/sunrise – silhouettes
Printmaking - architecture
Cityscape painting
Mask clay project/Paint pottery

Music

Contribute to musical fluency by expanding literacy in reading basic music notation.
Promote musical intelligence through ear training and listening skill exercises.
Adjust vocal range when harmonizing with a group.

Health and Physical Education



Dress comfortably with rubber-soled shoes for gym.

Social, emotional and physical health
Health services and information
Character education
Bullying prevention
Family relationships
Motor skills development



FOURTH GRADE

Fourth grade is an exciting year! As new members of Joyce Kilmer fourth graders are given new privileges, and also take on new responsibilities.

In previous years, students were focusing on learning to read, but now they are reading to learn new high-interest topics, especially in science and social studies. Reading and hands-on activities are merged to bring learning to life!

RECOMMENDED READINGS

Fourth Graders Favorite Books
Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney
Dork Diaries by Rachel Renee Russell
Harry Potter Series by J.K. Rowling
Bone by Jeff Smith

Homework

Reading log
Math practice problems
Reading comprehension, grammar, or reading response letters
Studying for upcoming tests
Reports/Projects as assigned

If you notice your child consistently struggles with homework, please contact your child's teacher.

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Mission Statement

The Milltown School District, in collaboration with family and community, is committed to academic excellence for all students. We aspire to develop confident, lifelong learners who will succeed in a diverse and changing world.

Curriculum Brochure

Grade 4

Joyce Kilmer School



Instruction is aligned with the
NJ Core Curriculum Content Standards
and the
National Common Core State Standards

Fourth Grade Curriculum

Language Arts



Children should be encouraged to read for enjoyment daily

Reading

- Recall and summarize information
- Respond to literature in writing
- Participate in reading in groups
- Read using fluency and expression

Writing

- Elaborate on ideas and include details in writing
- Practice strategies that engage the reader
- Revise and edit individually and with peers
- Spell high frequency words correctly
- Understand prefixes and suffixes
- Participate in a variety of writing experiences

Grade Level Novels

Frindle
James and the Giant Peach
Shiloh
Various genres of literature for small groups

Mathematics

- Grasp place value concepts through millions
- Fluently solve multiplication and division equations
- Add and subtract whole numbers, decimals, and fractions
- Find equivalent fractions
- Compare fractions and decimals
- Understand concepts of geometry, including polygons, lines, angles, and symmetry
- Use formulas to find perimeter and area
- Use customary & metric units of measurements
- Use a variety of problem solving strategies



Social Studies

- Explore NJ regions
- Study Lenape culture
- Understand events of the American Revolution
- Examine the branches of government
- Highlight inventors and inventions
- Discuss current events



Science

- use the scientific method to complete hands-on labs
- explore changes to the Earth's surface
- examine how natural resources are used
- understand body systems
- investigate sound and light



Technology Skills & Integration

MyON software provides engaging leveled reading to boost students comprehension of non-fiction text that complements our social studies and science curriculum.

IXL software provides reinforcement of math and language arts skills.

SMARTBoard and MimioTeach devices are used to enhance learning.

Key curriculum points are included in this brochure in order to provide an at-a-glance guide. This brochure is not meant to provide a comprehensive picture of the scope of learning encompassing fourth grade. Please see the district's curriculum guides for a full description of grade level curriculum expectations. All activities listed are subject to change at the teacher's discretion.