



# Crossroads School Fourth Grade Newsletter

Parent – Teacher Connection

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## Overview of Fourth Grade STAR Results in Reading

**Strengths:** Our fourth graders have a strong understanding of story elements, problem and solution, and fact and opinion.

**Opportunities for Growth:**

Students need additional support in identifying the main idea and details of a text, summarizing, and making inferences about what has been read.

## Building our Superpower

**In the Classroom:**

During small groups, students will be reviewing skills and applying them during independent activities.

**At Home:**

Parents can encourage students to read for 20 Minutes each night, and ask students questions about their reading to encourage deeper understanding of the text.

*Example:* Retell the story in your own words and make connections to the text when possible.

## Curriculum Corner

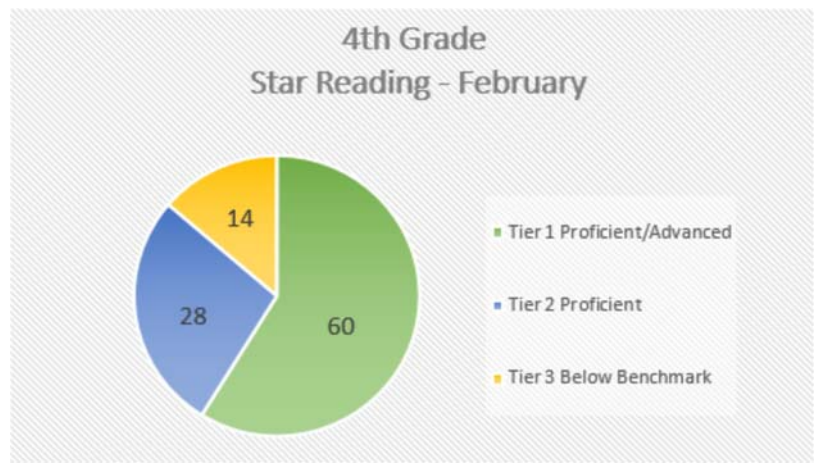
**Reading - SOL Review** In preparation for the upcoming Reading SOL, the students will be participating in workstation and small group rotations to review all grade 4 objectives in multiple genres.

**Social Studies NPS 4.11**— Students will be learning all about the Civil War.

**Science 4.5**— The students will be investigating and understanding how animals in an ecosystem interact with one another. This includes analyzing food webs, habitats and niches, and the influence of humans on our environment.

**Math 4.6, 4.7, 4.8, & 4.9**— We will be working on our measurement unit. Students will be engaging in hands on measurement stations involving estimating and measuring length, mass, and liquid volume. Students will also learn how to solve problems involving elapsed time.

**Writing 4.7**—Students will be using a picture to write a story.



## Important Dates

**May 17th—Reading SOL Test**

**May 22nd—Math SOL Test**

**May 28th—Memorial Day / No School**