

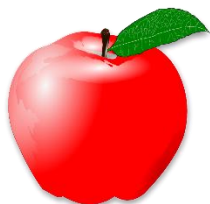
## February Newsletter - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Fourth Grade has busily started the second half of the school year! In **Reading**, we have begun a longtime student favorite unit on Realistic Fiction. We will be reading *Lunch Money* by Andrew Clements, *Max Malone Makes a Million* by Charlotte Herman and *Coyote School News* by Joan Sandin. To complement the reading unit, we will be **writing** compare/contrast essays on the two main characters in *Lunch Money*. In **Math**, we just completed two units on fractions and will now delve into the world of **Geometry**, with a focus on two-dimensional figures and angles. In **Social Studies**, we are studying Colonial New York and will soon learn about the events leading up to the American Revolution. As a springboard to this unit, we visited The Colonial Dames Museum, a beautifully restored Upper East Side townhouse filled with authentic furnishings and hands-on learning. The children even dressed in colonial style clothing and danced the minuet! This provided an invaluable insight into the lives of colonial New Yorkers. In **Science/STEM**, we are learning all about magnets and electricity. And finally, we continue to "Meet Up, Buddy Up" every week as part of the **Sanford Harmony Program**, giving all students the opportunity to build and sustain healthy and strong peer relationships.



### IMPORTANT DATES

February 9<sup>th</sup> – Fun Friday – Math Games February  
16<sup>th</sup> – School Closed – Lunar New Year February 19<sup>th</sup>  
– 23<sup>rd</sup> – Mid-Winter Recess



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