

*Dear Fourth Grader,*



*In September, you will officially enter the fourth grade here at Bellevue Christian School, and may I be the first to say, "Welcome!" I am looking so forward to getting to know you and learning about the things you enjoy and interest you most.*

*I believe that all children are an amazing and unique gift from the Lord, and I am very thankful and honored that He has chosen me to be your teacher. I know that as we learn and grow together each day, we will be blessed by God in ways we don't even know yet.*

*Our year will be full of interesting and exciting learning adventures. We will study earthquakes and build our own volcanoes, you'll discover facts about your home state of Washington that maybe you didn't already know, and you'll take part in raising and hatching a school of Coho salmon. I also think you'll enjoy running your own business at "Marketplace," and I know you'll love the many wonderful field trips we'll have together too.*



*I hope you are having a fabulous summer vacation so far enjoying God's creation, spending time with your family and friends, reading, watching baseball, (Go M's!), and maybe traveling to new places or experiencing new things. I'm planning to do some of those same things with my husband, T.K. When you come to school in the fall, we'll have to share our summer stories with each other.*

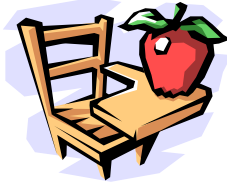


*Until then, I am praying for you and our class. I pray that God will guide us to love and care for one another when we come together as a classroom community and that we will all enjoy learning about, working for, and worshiping all of God's glory together!*

*Love in Christ,  
Mrs. Brasted (pronounced Bray-sted ☺)*

*P.S. There are some supplies I would like you to bring to school on the first day. Please label these items with your name before bringing them to school. You'll find a checklist of these items on the back of this letter.*





*Here's the school supplies checklist! Please thank your parents for me for providing these items for you, and for our class. (You should probably thank them for yourself too!) This will help us so much to get the year off to a great beginning.*

- A backpack or school bag  
(One that will fit in a small cubby along with you lunch bag and coat!  
Bags with wheels don't fit well.)*
- One 1 to 1 ½ inch three ring binder without a zipper or any velcro*
- 10 dividers (We'll label these at school together.)*
- Wide ruled loose-leaf notebook paper (Wide-ruled only please)*
- 2 spiral single subject notebooks (the 8 ½ X 11 inch size)*
- 1 spiral 3-subject notebook (the 8 ½ X 11 inch size)*
- 2 8 ½ x 11 inch drawing pad (One is for art class and one is for our class.)*
- A box of #2 pencils or a mechanical pencil or two*
- 1 zipper pouch large enough to hold your pencils, scissors, and markers  
(Boxes don't work very well because they don't fit in your desk.)*
- A good block eraser or two*
- 1 glue stick (This will become part of a class set.)*
- A personal pencil sharpener with a shavings trap attached*
- 1 set of fine tip markers*
- 1 set of fat tip markers, colored pencils, or crayons*
- 1 pair of scissors with blunt tips*
- 1 calculator (An inexpensive basic model is just fine.)*
- 1 plain, basic linear measurement ruler*
- Your NIV Bible from 3<sup>rd</sup> grade (If you are new to BCS, a Bible will be given to you at the beginning of the year.)*
- 1 emergency food kit (Contents will be the same as in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Check with our office for a list of items if you are new to BCS.)*

*Well, I think that does it. Thank you again for collecting these items so that you will be all set for your fourth grade year. See you in September!*

