**Ms. Miller’s Fourth Grade Newsletter**

**Dear Parents,**

Welcome back to Patton! I am Lauren Miller, your child’s fourth grade teacher. I graduated from Illinois State University, and received a degree in Elementary Education. This will be my third year teaching in Arlington Heights, and my second year teaching fourth grade at Patton. I couldn’t be more enthused to be a part of such a wonderful school.

As the school year approaches, I look forward to getting to know all of the students and working together to make your child successful in fourth grade. Since each child is unique, I consider that in my teaching. There are a number of ways I will differentiate to ensure that your child is learning at an appropriate level, and being challenged just the right amount.

I encourage your child to practice skills at home as well. My website will offer resources to help your child with homework, or allow your student to practice educational games online. The website is a great tool to help stay involved in your child’s learning experiences. Newsletters will also be posted on the website. I look forward to meeting you and telling you more about the year at Curriculum Night on Wednesday, August 28th.

On the following page you will find a parent questionnaire. This will allow me to get to know your child even better, and I ask that you please complete it.

Sincerely,

Ms. Miller

**Dear Fourth Graders,**

Welcome back to Patton! I hope your summer was fantastic, and I look forward to hearing all about it. Fourth grade is going to be a very exciting year and I can’t wait to begin.

Some students wonder, “Is fourth grade hard?” Some of it may be difficult, but some of it may be easy to you. Fourth graders learn in many different ways. Sometimes we will learn together as a whole group, sometimes in small groups or partners, and sometimes you’ll work by yourself. As we get to know one another, we’ll find out the ways you learn best!

Get excited for a great year!

Sincerely,

Ms. Miller