

# Belding Area Schools

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Can you believe how quickly the year has passed. We embark upon the last few weeks of school and I am stunned!

## Writing/Reading

Last week, during our Genre Studies, we were focused on non-fiction books, and how those are a “different” type of read compared to a fictional story. The text features (pictures, captions, maps, graphs, use of color, headings, etc.) help us break down text and commit it to memory. Books written today about non-fiction topics are SOOOOO much better than when I was a kid. Today’s texts are much more engaging and interesting than when I was a fourth grader (which wasn’t THAT long ago 😊).

This week, we have been working on historical fiction texts. These have proven to be very interesting to kids because the stories written are based on actual events from history, just written to captivate young children’s minds. We had a good week reading and learning about different events throughout history.

## Math

Today marks the end of our unit 6 module on decimals. We completed the test review and will test on Monday. If you get a chance to really work with your child on counting money and how decimals relate in real world terms, that would be amazing!

After the decimals unit, we will do some data and measurement work that encompasses ALL of our fourth grade skills.

## Science/Social Studies

Our last unit in science is titled Energizing Everything. It is taking a closer look

at how we power things and how we humans utilize and perfect the usage of energy. It should be a fun few weeks with experiments that kids love!

## Standing Specials

**Monday- PE 2:25-3:15 Tuesday-Technology 2:25-3:15 Wednesday-Music 2:25-3:15 Thursday-STEAM 2:25-3:15, Friday-PE 2:25-3:15**

## Dates to Remember

NWEA Map- May 14<sup>th</sup>, & 16<sup>th</sup>  
Camp Roger-May 15<sup>th</sup> Rain or Shine  
May 16<sup>th</sup>- Graduation  
May 23- Field Day  
May 29<sup>th</sup>-Half day all, official last day



If you ever have questions about how your child is doing, feel free to reach out. I would be happy to chat with you. Have a great couple of weeks.

~Leanne Feuerstein