April 23, 2014

Dear Parents,

On Thursday, May 22nd, the fourth grade will be holding its annual Mountain Man Rendezvous. This activity will be part of our social studies curriculum and participation will be graded. Students will gain a better understanding of basic economics, as well as how mountain men and early pioneers made and sold products. All students are required to participate and will need to be present on the day of the activity.

As part of this activity, the fourth graders will be required to make a product or plan a service to “sell” during the rendezvous. Some examples include: Native American Drums, flower pens, play dough, slime, hand warmers, jewelry, and crafts. No food items will be allowed. This product should be homemade. Students should use materials that can be found around the house to make their product. Any cost involved in purchasing materials should be minimal. Students will need to make 25 items to sell. NO real money will be used to purchase products; instead, students will be rewarded with “pelts” for behavior, assignments, and actions in class. Students will use their pelts to purchase the products made by other students.

Products will be DUE: MONDAY, MAY 19th in class. This will assure that students are ready to sell on Thursday, as well as give time for teachers to help students price their product and make a poster in class. If you have any concerns or questions, please, contact your child’s teacher. Thanks for your help and support. See you at the Rendezvous!!

Thank You,

Mr. Bokinskie, Mrs. Chidester, Mrs. Schneider, Mrs. Shipman, and Mr. Richins

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I understand the requirements of this activity and am aware of all due dates.

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