

# WELCOME PACKET

Welcome to FOURTH GRADE!

Ms. Lolonga - Classroom Teacher ELA & Social Studies

Mrs. Bowers - Classroom Teacher Math & Science

The following items are included in this welcome packet.

Please note which items must be returned.

**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL | Wednesday Aug 30, 2023**

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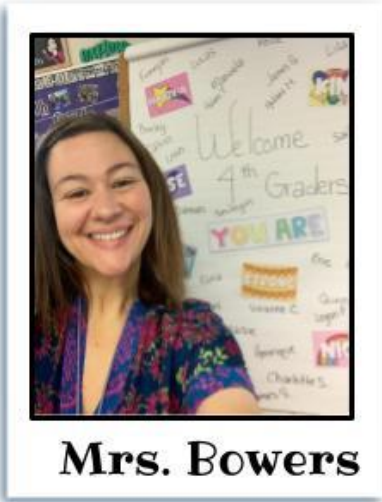
### Important Information

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# MEET THE TEACHER

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**Mrs. Bowers**

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**Instagram:** @4thgradegoals

**School Phone:** 508-230-3205

My name is Toni Bowers or Mrs. Bowers to my new kiddos. This will be my 10th year here at the Richardson Olmsted School. I have taught both 3rd & 4th grade. They are my 2 favorite school years. I absolutely LOVE, LOVE being a teacher. I can't imagine doing anything else! I will be your Math & Science teacher this year. My friend Ms. Lolonga will be your ELA & Social Studies teacher. Ms. Lolonga is right next door to us and together our classes will be ONE team!

A little about me... I grew up in Rhode Island and currently live in Rehoboth, MA. I live with my husband, Mr. Bowers and our 2 kids Julian (11th grade) and Ella (6th grade). Some of my favorite things to do if I'm not teaching are: watch my family play lacrosse, craft at home, bake yummy treats, travel to new places, solve math problems, swim at the beach or pool, ice skate, work on science experiments, and cheer on the Irish on Saturdays and the Patriots on Sundays.

I am SUPER excited for this year and can't wait to get to work with all of you!

~ Mrs. Bowers

## FAVORITES

**Colors:** Green

**Fruit:** Pineapple

**Book:** Wonder

**Season:** Summer

**Snack:** Cookies

**Subject:** Math

**Sport:** Lacrosse/ Football

**Animal:** Giraffe

**Ice Cream:** Sherbet

# MEET THE TEACHER



**Ms. Lolonga**

Hi, 4th Graders & Families!

My name is Ms. Lolonga, and 2023-2024 is my 8th year at the Richardson-Olmsted School. I LOVE teaching all subjects ~ but I get to concentrate ELA & Social Studies with you! Mrs. Bowers is your math and science teacher. Her classroom is right next door and together our two classes will be ONE team!

An important idea we remember is we use ALL of our thinking skills in ALL of our subjects while at school, AND we connect our thinking skills while learning and playing outside of school.

A bit about me: I grew up in Maine and came to Massachusetts in my 20's. I live in Easton with Mr. Lolonga and our 2 children, Soren (10 grade) and Zaida (6 grade). Some of my favorite things to do (if I'm not teaching!) are: watch my children play sports (basketball, football, swim), go for walks with family at Borderland State Park, exercise my brain (reading) and body (cycling), and relax on the beach, at a pond, or by a pool!

I look forward to all of us getting to know each other as a new, big family called 4B-Lo!

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## FAVORITES

**Color:** Green

**Season:** Summer

**Ice Cream:** Ginger

**Snack:** Salsa/Chips

**Fruit:** Watermelon

**Sport:** Basketball

**Book:** Historical Fiction

**Subject:** Reading

**Animal:** Elephant

## To Our Gr. 4 Students and Families,

Here is what you need for grade 4 with Mrs. Bowers and Ms. Lolonga.

**Please Note:** Our classrooms use community bins for colored markers, colored pencils and crayons. This is an opportunity for students to practice how to take care of and share community materials.

Our class would **greatly appreciate** donations of the following items: Crayola brand crayons, Crayola brand thin markers, Crayola Brand colored pencils and Mr. Sketch Brand thick markers. Other helpful donations are plastic zip baggies (sizes: snack, sandwich, quart, and gallon).

Also, we take time for a snack, so please bring a **healthy snack** and **water bottle**.

Chromebooks are used every day, so be sure to charge your device. A set of headphones also need to stay at school for school use.

Your Teachers,  
Mrs. Bowers & Ms. Lolonga

### **REQUIRED SUPPLIES**

Things you must have on the first day of school.

#### **1. Organization**

- Four (4) sturdy pocket folders  
(1 red, 1 blue, 1 purple, 1 green)
- ONE (1) 1 inch 3 ring view binder (with clear plastic sleeve on front/back)
- Pencil pouch (with 3 holes for binder)

#### **2. Writing Instruments**

- Box of pencils (#2) - sharpened
- TWO (2) different colored pens (red & blue - NOT BLACK)
- TWO (2) dry erase markers, fine point, low odor
- TWO (2) highlights (2 different colors)
- TWO (2) block erasers

#### **3. Miscellaneous**

- ONE PAIR of scissors (6-8")
- SIX (6) glue sticks
- ONE PAIR over the head headphones, kept at school
- ONE (1) whiteboard eraser or old sock

### **SUGGESTED SUPPLIES**

for sharing with the classroom

- Tissues
- Antibacterial Wipes
- Crayola Brand thin markers, colored pencils, and crayons
- Mr. Sketch Brand thick markers
- All sizes of zip plastic baggies



# Parent/Guardian Survey for Bowers/Lolonga Students

Please complete by Fri. Sept. 8.

Please fill out this survey so we can get to know about you and your student.

The same survey can be completed via [Google Form](#).

You may send in a hard copy or email us your answers:

[tbowers@easton.k12.ma.us](mailto:tbowers@easton.k12.ma.us) and [tlolonga@easton.k12.ma.us](mailto:tlolonga@easton.k12.ma.us)

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) and Address(es) of Parent(s) or Guardian(s):

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Home Phone(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Which phone do you prefer us to try first? \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address(es):

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If you provide email addresses for more than one person, would you like us to correspond using all emails? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

What language(s) do you speak in your home(s)?

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What types of activities does your student enjoy outside of school?

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In what particular topics or activities does your student have a high interest in or is independently motivated to learn about or do?

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What do you see as your student's strengths, in and out of school?

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Do you or your student have concerns or worries of which we should be aware?

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Is there anything you would like us to know that would help your student have a successful year in fourth grade?

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**Instagram:**

Teachers use @4thgradegoals on Instagram to communicate with families about classroom learning. This is a private and closed group. Only classroom family members are allowed access to the posts. Teachers post pictures and comments weekly to help parents/caregivers be up to date with and discuss school activities with their children. All posts are deleted at the end of the school year.

\_\_\_ Yes, I want to participate.

\_\_\_ No, I do not want to participate.

In order to gain access to @4thgradegoals, please provide your Instagram account: \_\_\_\_\_

**Class Directory Permission:**

In the coming weeks, class directories will be distributed to each family containing the names, addresses and emails of each student and their parent(s)/caregiver(s). These directories are for the purpose of fostering new relationships, maintaining old relationships, and for supporting students and families throughout the year.

\_\_\_\_ Yes, please DO include my family's information in the Class Directory.

\_\_\_\_ No, please do NOT include my family's information in the Class Directory.

**Please fill out the information you wish to be included in the directory:**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Caregiver Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for taking the time to share this information with us. This will be our first step in working together to help your child have an enjoyable and successful year.

Sincerely,

Ms. Lolonga & Mrs. Bowers