April 15, 2013

Dear Parents of students in grades 3 and 4,

As a friendly reminder, the 2013 NYS Common Core English Language Arts exam will be administered on **Tuesday, April 16th through Thursday, April 18th**. The Math exam will be given **Wednesday, April 24th through Friday, April 26th**. Please use the words of encouragement on the reverse side. Below are some helpful tips.

- Spend a relaxing evening at home.
- Get a good night’s sleep.
- Get up early on test day.
- Eat a good breakfast.
- Encourage your child to listen carefully to all the directions.
- Encourage your child to stay focused on the test.
- Tell your child that you’re sure they’ll do great!!!

I would also like to remind you that we will not permit any visitors to the school on testing days from 9:00am – 12:00 noon, as we need to keep it as quiet as possible without any interruptions throughout the building. If your child is sick during the test dates, please keep them home and they will make up the exam. The test makeup window is extremely narrow this year so please note that we encourage you to send your child to school as soon as they are feeling better. Each child is required to take **ALL** parts of the exams.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

**Valerie Capitulo-Saide**

*Principal*