

It's Worth Reading

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Important Dates March

*** A LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL - MARCH ***

March

7 – Trimester 2 report cards go home

13 – Worth BOE Mtg @ 6pm

April Breakfast/ Lunch menus released

19 – Teacher Institute
Day (election day) NO
SCHOOL for students

23 - April Breakfast/Lunch online orders are due

25-29– Spring Break - NO SCHOOL

<u>April</u>

Apr 1 – Students return from Spring Break

Apr 2 – IAR Testing Begins

Apr 10 - Board of Ed Mtg

May breakfast/ Lunch menus released

Apr 15 - ISA testing window - Gr 5

Apr 20 - May breakfast /Lunch online orders are due Dear Worth Elementary Families,

As we march into Spring, we have been so lucky to have mild weather, meaning students are able to go outside for recess. Like every month at school, March is full of events and activities. It seems like yesterday we were starting the school year and now our newsletter contains information about May meal ordering! Time certainly flies during the school year!

Remaining Early Release Days

Our remaining early dismissal days for the year will occur on **April 25**, and **May 24**. WJH will dismiss at 1:20 and WE / WW dismiss at 1:30. Bus companies have been informed of the changes to the schedule. If you pick up your student, please arrive by 1:30. <u>Please see our website for more information</u>:

Assessments and Surveys

The next assessment to be administered is the Illinois Assessment of Readiness for students in grades 3-5, and the Illinois Science Assessment for Gr 5. Each of these assessments will be administered in April, with IAR beginning after Spring Break. The best preparation for these important assessments is a good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast.

Please consider participating in the online parent 5Essentials survey. Parents who wish to complete the survey and offer valuable feedback may do so by accessing this link Parent Information - 5 Essentials Survey for more information. If parents wish to complete the survey, you can find it at 5 Essentials Parent Survey

Outdoor Recess and PE

In clear weather, students will go outside for recess. If they do not have coats with them, they may be asked to stay indoors. For weather and safety purposes, students should not wear crocs to school. Students who wear crocs may be asked to stay indoors for recess (if the ground is wet) and will sit during PE.

Second Step SEL

Our last part of the year will focus on a review of social emotional skills learned throughout the year, as well as mindfulness. Please feel free to speak to your student(s) about skills they have learned to help them stay focused and mindful.

Parent Communication

We ask that all parents enroll in our district communication platform, School Messenger, as we utilize this regularly to communicate important information with parents. Most contact

Apr 25 - Early Dismissal Day- 1:30 Dismissal

Apr 26 - Teacher Institute Day - No Student Attendance information should have been updated during the registration process. If you have recently changed your contact information, or you would like to check, you may follow the instructions listed on the district website: https://worthschools.org/parents/communication/

Safety Measures / Sick Protocol

Please note that all students must be symptom free for 24 hours prior to returning to school. This includes being fever and vomit free.

Meal Ordering

As in years past, families must pre-order breakfasts and lunches. If you are in need of assistance with ordering, please call the Nutrition Hotline at 708-671-3903. Meal ordering information is now available on the district website:

https://worthschools.org/parents/meal-program/

Arrival & Dismissal Procedures

Worth Elementary doors open in the morning at 8:15am. <u>Students should not arrive on campus until 8:15 as there is no supervision prior to this time</u>. Students are expected to be in their seats, ready to learn at 8:30am. Arrival after 8:30 is considered tardy and parents will need to sign in their students at the main office.

Students who order breakfast will proceed to the MPR to collect breakfast.

<u>Car Riders</u>: Driving parents should use the car lane for arrival and dismissal. Parents on foot may not collect their students from the car lane. Students of all ages may use the car lane. Car riders enter the building from the car lane and will be dismissed into the car lane. Although traffic can back up, the line moves quickly. Student dismissal takes approximately 8 minutes from start to finish.

The North doors are used to dismiss <u>walking</u> students. The North lot has been designated as an **employee lot**. Neighboring homeowners and businesses have contacted us regarding unauthorized parking in lots and driveways. Please be courteous to our neighbors by respecting private properties.

We look forward to another month filled with fun and meaningful learning experiences!

Sincerely,

Maureen Eichstaedt

Worth Elementary Principal

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Mrs. Elizabeth D'Andrea

Worth Elementary Assistant Principal

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Daily Student Schedule

Grades 1-5

8:30 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Kindergarten

AM: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. PM: 12:15 - 3:15 p.m

A Note About Absences

If your child will not be at school for any reason, please call school to let us know. You can call the absentee hotline at 708-671-5859, 24 hours a day and leave a

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EC / PreK

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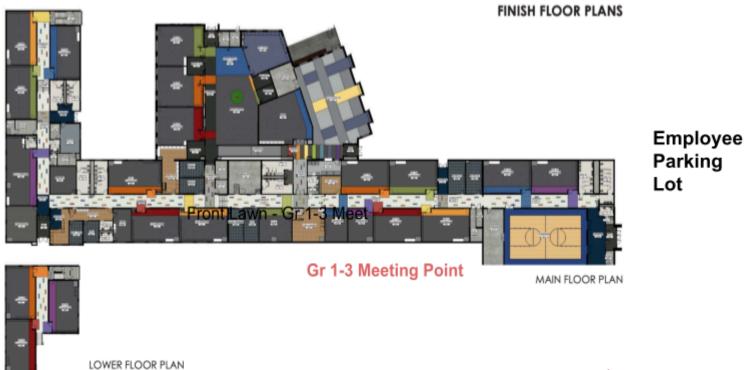
Attendance

Attendance will be taken at **8:30 a.m.** for ALL students.

message. You can also contact our main office at **708-448-2801**.

We appreciate your partnership in educating students and keeping them safe!

Gr 4-5 doors



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