



# It's Worth Reading

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October 2021

Dear Families,

In the world of kids, October is a special month. Most kids look forward to the end of October and all of the Halloween joy too much candy can bring. For the adults working with your students, it's fun for them, too, to experience that excitement and nostalgia of being a kid. Information regarding our annual parade and observations will be provided through your child(ren)'s classroom teacher(s).

In our second year of serving this part of the community, we continue to overcome the challenges that the construction projects have brought and we cannot tell you enough how much we appreciate your patience. Having toured the progress of the newer spaces, we promise you, the work is nothing of gorgeous and will be well worth the growing pains. We look forward to having new spaces for our students to learn and grow! One of the many benefits of this leg of the project will be new traffic patterns that will keep our students safer, with drop off being away from the busier streets. The phases of construction, along with a time-elapse of the progress can be viewed on our district website @ [WE Construction Updates](#). Please note that some of the phases occur at the same time, so construction is happening on the addition, along with preparing the back of the building for the planned drives.

In terms of programming and academics, we have even more changes on the horizon. We continue to implement the workshop model in reading and math, which allows for students voice and choice as they participate in their own learning. We have been preparing to implement other program changes that will allow us to monitor individual student needs and progress in a more customized way so that we can offer each student the support needed. We will share information as it becomes available. Please continue to check our district and school website, along with the email you provided for more information.

## October Calendar

**Oct 11** - Columbus Day No School

**Oct 23-31** - Red Ribbon Week

**Oct 31** - Halloween



### Looking Ahead:

**Nov 2** - Election Day

**Nov 3** - Trimester 1 Ends

**Nov 7** - Daylight Savings - Fall Back!

**Nov 11** - Veterans Day

**Nov 22** - Parent Teacher Conferences - No School

This month, we celebrate Fire Safety Week where students will learn about fire prevention. At the end of the month we also celebrate National Red Ribbon Week with this year's theme being Drug Free Looks Like Me.

Looking back and forward, we've come a long way. The first day of school is firmly in our rearview mirror, and looking ahead we have lots of celebrations such as Thanksgiving and Winter Break. Although they seem far, they will be around the corner before you know it!

Please know that we are both grateful for the continued opportunity to serve your families and students.

Sincerely,



Maureen Eichstaedt  
Worth Elementary Principal



Melissa Wills  
Worth Elementary Assistant Principal

**Nov 23** - Teacher Institute Day  
- No School

**Nov 24 - 26** - No School  
Thanksgiving Break

### **Daily Student Schedule**

#### **Grades 1-5**

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

#### **EC / PreK / Kindergarten**

AM: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

PM: 12:15 - 3:15 p.m.

### **Attendance**

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

### **A Note About Absences**

If your son or daughter 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 message. You can also contact our main office at **708-448-2801**.

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