

WILLOW SPRINGS SCHOOL WOLVERINES

Willow Weekly: April 19, 2024

Monday, April 22

- Concert Band Rehearsals 5/6 Grades 740-825am
- Beginning Band Woodwinds 320-410
- Jr. High Homework Club 313 413
- BOOST Club for 3rd,4th & 5th 313-413
- Co-Ed Soccer vs Washington Red-HOME
- Boys Volleyball vs Washington-HOME
- Girls Softball vs Park-AWAY
- Lego League 3:15 4:13

Tuesday, April 23

- Concert Band Rehearsals 7/8 Grades 740-825am
- Beginning Band Brass Percussion 320-410
- MSI 4th Grade Field Trip
- Brookfield Zoo 3rd Grade Field Trip
- Art Club 4th Grade 313-413
- Jr. High Homework Club 313 413
- Chess Club 313 413
- BOOST Club for 3rd,4th & 5th 313-413
- Girls Softball vs Washington-HOME
- Co-Ed Soccer Practice
- Boys Volleyball vs McClure-AWAY

Wednesday, April 24

- Early Dismissal Wednesday 213
- Study Hall/ Girls Softball Practice 315-500
- Study Hall/ Co-Ed Soccer Practice 315-500
- Study Hall/ Boys Volleyball Practice 315-500

Thursday, April 25

- Theme Thursday-Beach Day/Hawaiian Day
- TK field trip to Beverly Arts Center
- Concert Band- All students 740-825am
- Beginning Band All students 313-413
- Art Club 5th Grade 313-413
- Jr. High Homework Club 313 413
- BOOST Club for 3rd,4th & 5th 313-413
- Co-Ed Soccer vs Park Red-HOME
- Boys Volleyball vs Westchester-HOME
- Girls Softball vs McClure-AWAY

Friday, April 26

- Co-Ed Soccer Practice 315-500
- Girls Softball Practice 315-500
- Boys Volleyball Practice 315-500
- 4th Quarter Mid Term

Principal's Message

Dear Willow Families,

Happy Friday! This week, we completed our Illinois Assessment of Readiness exams for third through eighth grades. I appreciate all our students' hard work on these assessments.

Additionally, next week, fifth and eighth grade students will take the Illinois Science Assessment. This assessment provides the District with valuable information regarding our students' understanding of the Next Generation Science Standards.

Last week, I sent home communication regarding Erin's Law and Candor Health. The letter was also sent out this past Monday. Please take a few moments to review my letter and contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Have a fantastic weekend!

Sincerely,

Dr. Alexandra Oreluk

Mark your calendars!

Mon, April 29- Erin's Law

Tues, April 30- Candor Health 5th -8th Grades Last day to reply to summer school invite

Wed, May 1-1st Grade Zoo Field Trip

Thurs, May 2- PFC Fundraiser at Nino's Italian Beef

Mon, May 6- Kindergarten Picnic

Teacher Appreciation Week May 6- May 10

Tues, May 7-1st Grade Picnic

Wed, May 8-2nd Grade Picnic

Thurs, May 9-3rd Grade Picnic

Fri, May 10-4th Grade Picnic

Mon, May 13- Kindergarten Field trip to the Zoo 5th Grade Picnic

Tues, May 14 - 8th Grade Algebra 1 Final (by invitation only)

Wed, May 15- Wolverine of the Month Breakfast E/C and TK Picnic

Thurs, May 16-Spring Fling & Ice Cream Social

Fri, May 17- Junior High Picnic

Mon, May 20-8th Graders to Holocaust Museum

Wed, May 22- Junior High Dance 6:00-9:00pm

Thurs, May 23-8th Graders to Six Flags 9:00-7:00pm

Mon, May 27- Memorial Day No School

Wed, May 29- Kindergarten Graduation 930am 8th Grade Graduation 730pm

Fri, May 31- Last day of school 1145am dismissal

Whats for Lunch?

Monday-Cheeseburger

Tuesday-Chicken Tacos

Wednesday-French Toast

Thursday-Chicken Alfredo Friday-Pizza

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April 25, 26, 27 – 7pm Portillo Performing Arts Center Students \$8 | Adults \$10

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GRADES 4TH -9TH

FEE: \$25

MUSICAL THEATER

HAVE FUN! MAKE NEW FRIENDS!

SCAN THE OR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER



- COME FIND OUT WHAT IT TAKES TO BE A STAR!
- PARTICIPANTS WILL PUT TOGETHER A SHOW WITH SINGING, DANCING AND CHOREOGRAPHY!

ARGO COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL 7329 W. 63RD STREET



<u>Transitional Kindergarten</u>

ASK ME...

Can you tell me what your newest pattern is on the calendar? (red ladybug, yellow ladybug, yellow ladybug)

Can you retell the story, *The Grouchy Ladybug?*



We will continue with the April math unit. We will also read stories written by Eric Carle this week. We will work on comprehension, retelling, sequencing and counting. In addition, children will learn letter Xx and make a xylophone.

Please make sure your child has a water bottle for class. The children are doing a great job writing their first names, next - ask your child how to spell their name for you without looking!!

Our caterpillar / butterfly kit is due to arrive on the 22nd!!

April 25th - Field trip to see the play, Sleeping Beauty!



Math:

We will begin our new math unit - Ladybugs!
We will explore symmetry, sequence events, number orders, and much more!

Monday - Fine motor skills with OT Tuesday - Speech & social work Friday - Craft with OT

Reminders

- → We are practicing tracing and writing our first names, please practice this at home each night
- → Send a small snack daily
- → Theme Thursday: 4/11 mismatch day

<u>SUPERKIDS</u>

We will finish our unit on Kk, Qq and Jj and take a unit test this week. The test will cover the memory words: of, no, for, put, to like and said.

MATH

We will finish Module 5 Topic 11 and begin Module 5 Topic 12: Introduction to 3-Dimensional Shapes. We will identify and describe 2-dimensional shapes and compose new shapes using 2D shapes. We will also identify whether the number of objects in 1 group is greater than, less than, or equal to the number of objects in another group.

SOCIAL STUDIES/SCIENCE

Children will identify animals and their habits, as well as discuss the importance of keeping those habitats litter-free. Vocabulary: habitat, litter

NEWS & REMINDERS

- April 25 Theme Thursday: Beach Day/Hawaiian Day.
- We have snack and water breaks everyday. Please remember to send a healthy snack and a water bottle for snack time. The teachers do not have spare water bottles in the classroom.
- Please remember students should bring their ipads in everyday fully charged.

Mark your calendar:

May 6: KIndergarten Picnic at Lion's Park. Cost is \$3.

May 13: Brookfield Zoo Field trip

May 29th: Kindergarten Graduation at 9:30am. Ticketed Event. Each student will receive 6 tickets.



FIRST GRADE

4/19/24

Language Arts

We will begin Unit 14 in Superkids this week.

Word Work - Students will learn to spell and read words with oi and oy.

Reading - Students will read grade-level texts and then discuss the characters and characters' motivations. We will also work on identifying the main topic and key details of the texts we read.

Writing - Students will use adjectives and verbs to write an action poem.

Then, students will plan, draft, and illustrate a cinquain poem.

DAILY HOMEWORK - Practice spelling & reading the spelling words.

* The Spelling Test will be on Friday, April 26 *

Spelling Words

oil	point
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boil joint

soil joy

coin toy

join boy

Challenge Words:

*pointed
*disappointed

Math

We will continue Module 4 which focuses on making sense of two-digit numbers and adding and subtracting within 100. This week, students will learn how to model numbers to 99, how to add ones with Base-10 Blocks, and how to model addition and subtraction with tens.

Updates & Reminders

*The First Grade field trip to Brookfield Zoo will be on Wednesday, May 1. Permission slips and \$8.00 is due this Friday, April 26.

*The 1st Grade Picnic will be on Tuesday, May 7. Information coming soon!

*Please help your child charge their iPad every night and bring it to school daily.

*As the weather gets warmer, please send a water bottle every day.

Contact Us:

Mrs. Haussy - shaussy@willowspringsschool.org

Mrs. Theodoropoulos - ntheodor@willowspringsschool.org



IND GRADE

Super Kids

This week, we will work on tricky w words. We will learn about the prefixes mis- and dis- and work on understanding multiple meaning words. We will practice researching animals and work on a research report.

Spelling Words

someone something anyone everybody everything nowhere

somewhere anybody anything

everyone no one nothing

Clear Math

This week, we will begin learning about rows and columns to make rectangular arrays. We will practice partitioning shapes and skip counting to determine totals. We will learn about fractions and splitting shapes into halves and thirds.

- *Make sure your child has headphones in class.
- *Please check gold folders every night.













o What We Are Learning

ELA

We are "exploring" our new unit, The Viking Age. We will meet the character, Loki, this week, and other characters in Norse mythology.

MATH

Equivalent fractions

SCIENCE

Through an open exploration of the Flamingo Family Data Cards, students notice that the offspring and its parents have different traits.



SOCIAL STUDIES

We are studying the state of Illinois

April 19, 2024

At Home Practice

Mathia Online (Carnegie Learning) Mathfactlab (3 times a week)

Reminders

Brookfield Zoo Field Trip is on April 23rd. Pack a lunch and a drink. No souvenir money, please.













What We Are Learning

ELA

We will continue our unit on Poetry, with poems entitled "Ask Ayden", "Wishes", and "My First Memory". Our skill work includes inference, recognizing alliteration, and visualizing.

MATH- Multi-Digit Division

SCIENCE

Students listen to familiar and unfamiliar sounds to encourage them to think about why it is important for an animal to recognize things they sense in their environment.

SOCIAL STUDIES

We are on our second week studying Illinois

Week Of

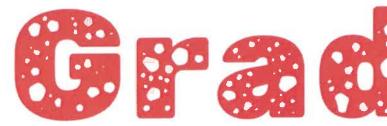
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Mathia Online (Carnegie Learning) Mathfactlab (3 times a week)

Reminders

MSI Field trip is on April 23rd. Student need to bring a lunch from home.













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ELA

We are beginning our Native American unit with our reader "A Changing Landscape." We will discuss the North American regions, discussing how European exploration and settlement changed the way Native Americans lived.

MATH

Multiplying Fractions

SCIENCE

Students will preparing to take ISA (Illinois Science Assessment)



SOCIAL STUDIES

We are on our second week studying Illinois

Week Of

April 19, 2024

At Home Practice

Mathia Online (Carnegie Learning) Mathfactlab (3 times a week)

Reminders

Chromebooks need to be charged every night.

Ms. Kustak, Ms. Chavez, Mr. Gilchrist



6th Grade Ghost

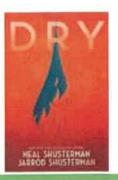
Students have started reading their new novel, *Ghost* by Jason Reynolds.
Students will use this novel to describe how characters respond to change as they draw inferences from the text.



7th Grade

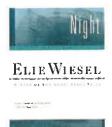
Dry

This week students continued to read Dry, and discussed the conventions of reading a dystopian novel. Next week, they will continue to read and focus on symbolism of water within the story.



8th Grade <u>Night</u>

This week students have been focusing on symbolism in their current reading of Night. Next week students will continue to read the novel, while analyzing events and the theme of feeling lost and overcoming personal and group challenges.



REMINDERS

All grade levels need to bring their charged chromebook, planner, gold folder, silent reading book, binder and a writing utensil to class EVERYDAY.

New Date: 8th Grade Graduation is May 29 at 730pm

Students need to have their I.D and lanyard on their person at all times.





- 6th Grade will study signed numbers.
- 7th Grade will study angle relationships and triangles.
- 8th Grade will study volume

REMINDERS

- Continue MATHia online practice at home
- Remember to get a good night's rest each day
- Have a healthy breakfast
- Bring a charged Chromebook and pencils to school







6-8 Science with Amplify Science

6th Grade

This week we have been trying to determine Why things change temperature and what causes the temperature changes to happen. Quiz on Monday Students will then learn about molecular motion and how energy is transferred.

7th Grade

This week we have e been focusing on molecular attraction. Next week we will have a Final Unit Test on Tuesday. Wednesday we will be

8th Grade

This week we learned how light waves are able to travel. We will have our final unit test on Monday. Tuesday we will begin to study for the ISA test, and have the ISA test on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Reminders

Check teacherease.com for any missing work The textbook and all assignments are posted on google classroom!

New Date: 8th Grade Graduation is May 29 at 730pm. 7 Tickets per student.



6-8 Social Studies with Savvas

4/19/24

6th Grade

This week, students learned about the city-states of Athens and Sparta! Next week, we learn about ancient Greek warfare!

7th Grade

This week, students continued their unit on the move west by learning about the Texas Revolution. Next week, we learn about the Mexican-American War and will take a unit test!

8th Grade

This week, students completed their unit on the Great Depression by taking a unit test. Next week, we begin our study of World War II!

Reminders

- Check teacherease.com for any missing work
- The textbook and all assignments are posted on google classroom!
- Assignments can be completed in the fillable active journal
- New Date: 8th Grade Graduation is Wednesday, May 29 at 7:30pm. 7 Tickets per student.



WILLOW SPRINGS SCHOOL

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Physical Education

2/16/24

Kindergarten-8th Grade

Kindergarten-5th We will be introducing students to FitnessGram (5th has already tested) and will do some recreational games to work on fitness, teamwork, throwing, catching, and strategy.

Health Education- 5th-8th grade health will continue meeting on Wednesdays.

6th-8th Grade-Students will have their choice in either flag football or bowling-students MUST be getting dressed for PE as it is part of their grade.

GYM UNIFORMS MISSING

Please check your student's backpack or around your home for PE rental uniforms. The PE department is missing quite a few from the locker room. The PE rentals are blue or yellow t-shirts that say "Rental" on them.

---- Thank you for returning them =1---



K-5 Music

Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade are reviewing different rhythms, learning about instrument families, and the Baroque Era of Music.

<u>3rd and 5th grade</u> are designing ASMR projects with their classmates, and starting to learn their Spring concert music.

Junior High Music

Junior high students are working on two handed drumming technique and learning how to play rhythms with different stockings, including triplet and sixteenth note rhythms.

BAND HAS ITS OWN PAGE IN THE WILLOW WEEKLY NOW SEE NEXT PAGE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Willow Springs School Spring Concert:

Thursday, May 16th

Featuring Students in 3rd, 4th, 5th Grade, Beginning Band, and Concert Band



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Beginning Band

Students should be reviewing red book materials and listening to the concert recordings posted in the google classroom.

Students should review #48-53 in their Red Books and all exercises we practiced in the White Books (Page 7), and should be working through the entirety of Sunrise March and Azimuth

Concert Band

Concert Band Practice Material:

Practice Charts are due 04/25 (no spring break practice requirement) (60 minutes) Students were given their Spring concert music. They should check the Google Classroom for reference recordings and start to work through clapping counts/looking up unfamiliar notes in their Red Books. We will be rehearsing all of Imperium at 96 pm Jungle Dance from measure 97-end at 96 bpm, and Azimuth up to measure 30.

Reminders

The morning band bus picks up around 7:15 at the Sterling Estates playground.

Rehearsal Schedules

Concert Band:

Concert Band Rehearsals are as follows (subject to change):

Mondays: Grade 5/6 (7:40-8:25 am) Tuesdays: Grade 7/8 (7:40-8:25 am) Thursdays: All students (7:40-8:25 am)

Beginning Band:

Beginning Band Rehearsals are as follows (subject to change):

Mondays: Woodwinds (3:20-4:10pm)

Tuesdays: Brass and Percussion (3:20-4:10pm)

Thursdays: All students (3:20-4:10pm)



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Art

4/19/24

K-5 Art

Kindergarten: KO students will be starting a special project for their Kindergarten graduation!

1st Grade: Students in 1H will be finishing a project called Big Umbrella. We will read a book and make big umbrellas with a rainy day background!

2nd Grade: Students in 2D will finish a Van Gogh Mash-Up project! We will make a Starry Night Sky with Van Gogh sunflowers in a vase. We will use paper, oil pastels and tissue paper to create this mash-up!

3rd Grade: Students in 3C will continue finish a warm/cool modern landscape. We will learn to mix and blend chalk and use warm vs cool colors to create contrast.

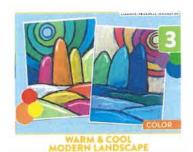
4th Grade: Students do not have art for this Quarter rotation.

5th grade: Students will finish a project called Layered Landscape. They will fold a paper into 3rds and draw the background, middle ground and foreground on each layer. We will paint our landscapes to color!



RAINBOW UMBRELLA PAINTING







6-8th Art

6th Grade: Students in the 6K art extension class will work on a printmaking unit, learning how to use printmaking in layers to create a radial design!

7th Grade: Students do not have art for this quarter rotation.

8th Grade: Students will begin working on their ceramic unit, making a clay slab box in any theme they choose!



COLLAGRAPH FOUR-LEAF CLOVER

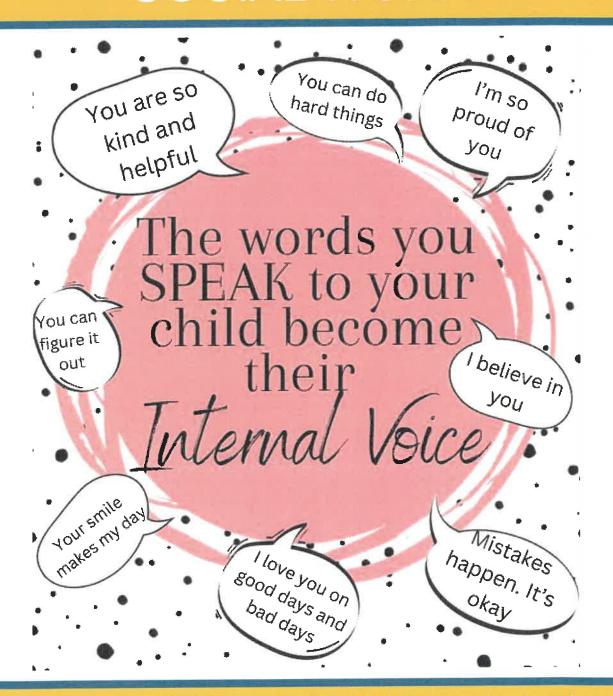








SOCIAL WORK



The School Social Work Team for the 2023-24 academic school year:

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Please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns regarding your students social and emotional growth within the school environment.



WILLOW SPRINGS SCHOOL WOLVERINES

Mrs. Strauch's Classes

4/19/24

S.I. K-2 ELA with Superkids

KINDERGARTEN

We have finished meeting the 14 Superkid friends. This week the Superkids form a club called The Superkids Club. In this club we will work on learning the remaining letters of the alphabet, decoding and encoding many more words and reading longer stories. This week's letter is Bb and we will read words like best, club and bus.

FIRST GRADE

We will learn to decode and encode n't contractions and use these words to complete sentences.

We will continue to learn new Memory Words

Please practice spelling words every night.

Spelling Words: Isn't didn't hasn't hadn't wasn't

SECOND GRADE

We will learn to decode and encode long e words with ee, ea, ie, y, and e. We will differentiate homophones with long e.

Please practice spelling words every night.

Spelling Words: green queen repeat leave brief thief

Reminders:

- Please have students read 10-15 minutes every night.
- When homework is assigned, please return it the next day.



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4/19/24

Ms. Baricovich S.I. K-2 & 4th Grade Classes with ClearMath

Kindergarten-We are continuing Topic 9-Stories in Numbers, Words and Pictures. Students will express a sum as a number in more than one way, recognize the relationship between addition and subtraction and separate a whole into two parts.

1st Grade-We are continuing Topic 7-Equal Shares and Time. Students will partition circles and rectangles into equal parts, describe the shares using the terms halves, fourths, quarters, half of, fourth of, quarter of and recognize a clock partitioned in half equals half of an hour.

2nd Grade-We are continuing Topic 7-Partitioning Arrays and Shapes. Students will determine the number of rows and columns in rectangular arrays and count the total squares, partition arrays in rows and columns and skip count to determine the total, partition shapes into thirds and identify halves, thirds and fourths in one whole.

4th Grade-We are continuing Topic 8-Classifying 2-Dimensional Figures. Students will compare and describe polygons by angle type, number of parallel and perpendicular sides, as well as side length. Students will classify triangles by angle size and side length, sort quadrilaterals and define, identify and draw lines of symmetry for triangle and quadrilaterals.

Reminder-Charge devices each night. Use Mathia at home for extra math practice.



By Mrs. Brockob & Mrs. Nieves & Mrs. Babcock

ELL & BILINGUAL NEWSLETTER



SPOTLIGHT: SPAIN





What are we doing in Spanish this week?

- We continue with greetings and goodbyes
- We continue learning to introduce ourselves
- We continue learning the Spanish alphabet
- We continue learning the date, days of the week, months and numbers

¿Qué haremos en español esta semana?

- Seguimos con saludos y despedidas.
- Seguimos aprendiendo a presentarnos
- Seguimos aprendiendo el alfabeto español.
- Seguimos aprendiendo la fecha, días de la semana, meses y números.



Message trom Nurse Drogosz

**IMPORTANT REMINDER

Common Illness & School Attendance Reminder

Students are expected to attend school every day. However, illnesses can be lengthy and sometimes difficult deciding whether or not to send your child to school. The following information may be helpful in making your decision. Please be sure and provide your current phone number and the available emergency contact information. If your child is going to be absent, please call our attendance line-(708)-467-3650. You must leave your child's name, the reason for the absence, the date of the absence and your name to verify that it was a parent/guardian that is verifying the absence.

Fever:

Any temperature greater than 100 degrees F is considered a fever. Child must be fever free for 24 hours without using fever-reducing medications (such as Tylenol, Motrin, Advil, etc.) in order to return to school. This applies even if the underlying cause of the fever is non-infectious, such as middle ear infections, bronchitis, urinary tract infections, etc. Children with a fever do not usually feel well enough to participate and attend school activities. It is recommended that they be given 24 hours to recover from the fever before returning to school. Please note that a child who exhibits symptoms of illness without a fever may be sent home if the nurse feels this is in the best interest of the child or the child's classmates (with compromised immune systems).

Colds:

Children with an upper respiratory infection without a fever may attend school if they feel well enough to do so. It is helpful in preventing the spread of illness if children learn to use tissues to cover sneezes and coughs, and wash hands after contact with the secretions.

Infections:

Any child who has been on antibiotic therapy for 24 hours is no longer considered infectious and may return to school. This includes infections of the eye, nose(green discharge), skin and strep infections. (Exception is pink eye, not all doctors treat this, so the doctor or nurse will decide if exclusion is necessary to protect others from being contaminated).

Diarrhea:

Children with diarrhea should remain home until they are symptom free for 24 hours. The only exception is if diarrhea is the result of a chronic condition, then a note from the doctor is needed indicating the diarrhea is not infectious.

Vomiting

A child who has vomited the evening before or in the morning before school should remain home for the day.

Rash:

If your child has a rash all over his body (bright red, raised, or itchy) or a rash in one or more areas that is draining fluid. The nurse will determine the next action to be taken.

Common Childhood Diseases

If a child has chicken pox, measles, or any other known treatable contagious disease, they must be kept home until they are no longer contagious. For most common childhood diseases, the period of contagion is known. Consult Nurse Drogosz.