



# WILLOW SPRINGS SCHOOL **WOLVERINES**

Willow Weekly: April 5, 2024

## Monday, April 8

- 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 Practice 315-500
- Boys Volleyball Practice 315-500
- Girls Softball Practice 315-500
- Lego League 3:15 - 4:10

## Tuesday, April 9

- Concert Band Rehearsals 7/8 Grades 740-825am
- Beginning Band Brass Percussion 320-410
- 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 Practice 315-500
- Co-Ed Soccer vs Westchester Yellow-AWAY
- Boys Volleyball vs Gurrie-HOME

## Wednesday, April 10

- Early Dismissal Wednesday 213
- Spring Picture Day (Prepaid Only)
- Study Hall/ Girls Softball Practice 315-500
- Study Hall/ Co-Ed Soccer Practice 315-500
- Study Hall/ Boys Volleyball Practice 315-500

## Thursday, April 11

- Theme Thursday- Mismatch Day
- 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 Practice 315-500
- Boys Volleyball vs Highlands- HOME
- Girls Softball Practice 315-500

## Friday, April 12

- Co-Ed Soccer Practice 315-500
- Girls Softball Practice 315-500
- Boys Volleyball Practice 315-500

## Principal's Message

Dear Willow Families,

Happy Friday! Today, Quarter 3 Report Cards went home with your student(s). Please take a few moments to review the information with your students. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Willow.

Additionally, communication went home regarding the Solar Eclipse on Monday. Please ensure that you have completed the permission form. We look forward to this historic event!

Have a fantastic weekend!

Sincerely,

*Dr. Alexandra Oreluk*

## Mark your calendars!

### APRIL

Tues, April 16- **CANCELED** 2nd Grade Field Trip

Wed, April 17- PFC Meeting 600pm  
Board Meeting 630pm

Tues, April 23- MSI 4th Grade Field Trip  
Brookfield Zoo 3rd Grade

Thurs, April 25- TK field trip to Beverly Arts Center

Fri, April 26- Smile Illinois Mobile Dentist

Tues, April 30- Candor Health 5th -8th Grades

### May

Thurs, May 16- Spring Fling & Ice Cream Social

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- **CHANGED**- Mac and Cheese

Tuesday- Mandarin Orange Chicken

Wednesday- Lunchable

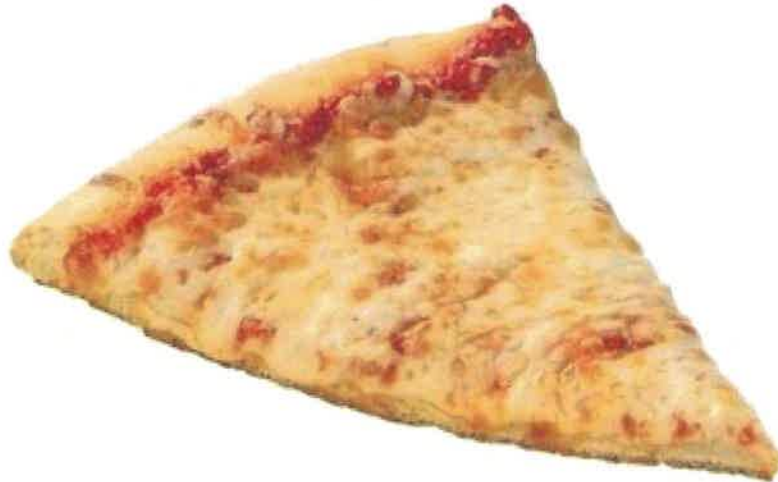
Thursday- Mostaccioli

Friday- Pizza

# Parents for Children



## WILLOW SPRINGS SCHOOL **WOLVERINES**



*PFC will be hosting a Pizza day on Wednesday, April 17. Cheese Pizza slices are \$3.00.*

Please complete the order form below and return it with your student by **Mon, April 15 at 9am.**

All late orders will need to wait for the first come first serve announcement at the end of the event

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

Homeroom Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

How many pizza slices: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_



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Dear Willow Families,

On Monday, April 8th, Willow Springs School will be along the path of a total solar eclipse. A total solar eclipse occurs when the Moon passes between the Sun and Earth and completely blocks the face of the Sun. The sky darkens as if it were dusk. NASA indicates this will be the last total solar eclipse visible from the United States until 2044. This event has been widely anticipated across the county, and I wanted to communicate to our families important information and safety precautions we are taking as a school district.

This Solar Eclipse presents a unique learning opportunity for our students and staff. To ensure safety for all, the District has purchased a pair of Solar Eclipse Glasses for each student and staff member. **Please be aware that the only safe way to look directly at the eclipsed or partially eclipsed sun is through special-purpose solar filters, such as certified eclipse viewing eyewear.**

These glasses meet the requirements of the 2024 International Organization for Standardization (12312-2 compliant) and Certified Eclipse glasses (European Health Standards) for Optical Quality for Safe and Direct Sun viewing for the Solar Eclipse.

While I encourage our community to embrace this unique and exciting educational opportunity, I respect that some families may not want their student(s) to view the Solar Eclipse. That being said, if you wish to pick up your student(s) so that they may be directly supervised by their guardian, please call the front office to arrange the early pickup. **Students must be picked up from school no later than 12:30 PM on Monday, April 8, 2024.**

Willow staff will use their professional judgment in determining the level of participation for students. Willow students participating in viewing the eclipse will be required to wear the protective glasses while outside of our school.

Please be aware that the end of the eclipse will overlap with our school's dismissal time. Willow school will dismiss following our normal schedule on April 8th. All students will receive a pair of glasses regardless of whether or not they participate in viewing the eclipse. These glasses will belong to the students once they have been distributed. Please be sure to have the appropriate conversations with your children about the importance of not looking up into the sky on their way home from school.

I ask that you complete the following form for each student within your family to ensure that we are respecting your wishes as it relates to participating in the viewing of the Solar Eclipse.

Sincerely,  
Mr. Steve Bahn



**Reminder**

## **THE DENTIST IS COMING!**

**Friday, April 26th**

**This is a free service to those with Medicaid or uninsured!**

If you are an incoming Kindergarten, 2nd grader, or 6th grader this exam will count towards your 2023-24 school year requirement. Form needs to be completed or submitted by 4/1/24.

You can also sign up online at:

[https://www.myschooldentist.com/WSWSIL\\_schsrn](https://www.myschooldentist.com/WSWSIL_schsrn)



GRADES 4TH -9TH

FEE: \$25

17-21 JUNE 9-3:00

MUSICAL THEATER

SUMMER

CAMP

HAVE FUN!  
MAKE NEW FRIENDS!

SCAN THE QR 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

# SPRING FLING

THURS, MAY 16 5:00-7:00PM

ICE CREAM SOCIAL  
HOSTED BY VALVOLINE

5:00-6:00PM

LUNCHROOM DOORS WILL CLOSE AT 6:15PM

ICE CREAM \$1.00



*Valvoline*

ART FAIR  
DOORS OPEN  
AT 5PM



## SPRING CONCERT 6PM

FEATURING 3-5 BEGINNING BAND &  
CONCERT BAND

GYM DOORS OPEN AT 5:45PM FOR SEATING

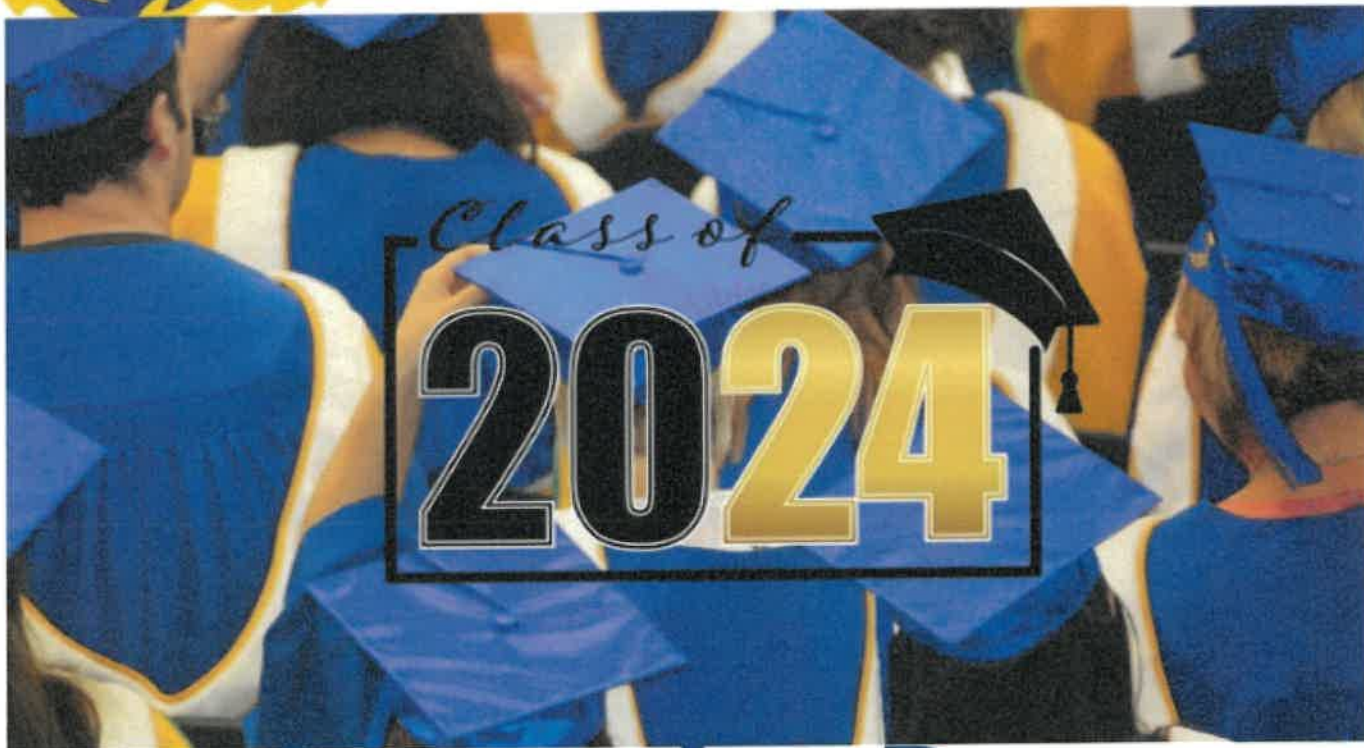


**FAMILIES : Please use the front and  
back parking lot gym doors to  
enter and exit the building**





WILLOW SPRINGS SCHOOL  
**WOLVERINES**



# Save the Date

8TH GRADE GRADUATION

WILLOW SPRINGS SCHOOL 8345 ARCHER RD WILLOW SPRINGS, IL 60480

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29 AT 7:30PM (STUDENT GYMNASIUM)

PLEASE REVIEW THE WILLOW WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR ALL 8TH GRADE UPCOMING EVENTS

(Ticketed event/ 7 guests per student)



Spring Picture Day is Wednesday, April 10

El día de las fotos de primavera es el Miércoles 10 de Abril



Only those who prepaid will be photographed. Online preordering for this event closes at 9 am on Picture Day. To order please visit:

<https://inter-state.com/>

Sólo se fotografiarán las personas que hayan prepagado. Los pedidos en línea para este evento se cierran a las 9am el día de la foto. Para hacer un pedido, visite: <https://inter-state.com/>





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## Transitional Kindergarten

### ASK ME...

What new center is in your classroom? (Floral Shop)

Can you sing the R-E-D song?

What was in the red sensory table this week? (water)



We will continue our math unit for the month of April. We will explore symmetry, sequence events, order numbers, compare sets, and practice addition doubles through  $5+5$ . This week we will work on letter Ww and make wagons.

**Field trip form needs to be turned in on Mon. April 8th**

**April Show & Tell due on April 12th (Show and tell placed in a bag)**

**Question and Tally Homework due this month**



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**E A R L Y**

4/05/24

**C H I L D H O O D**

## **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



# KINDERGARTEN



4/05/24

## SUPERKIDS

Icky is the Supernoodle this week and he is planning a skit about a picky princess. The kindergarten kids will all take turns reading the various parts in the play. We will learn two letters and sounds this week, Kk and Qq and we will read words like; *quick, pocket, cricket, sick* and *skit*. Our new sight word is **like**.

## MATH

We will begin Module 5 Topic 11 with identifying and describing measurable attributes of an object. We will also add and subtract fluently within 5, and compare the lengths of 2 objects.

## SOCIAL STUDIES/SCIENCE

We will be learning about and observing the solar eclipse on Monday. We will learn that kings and queens were real people who ruled countries long ago. We will learn about different ways that animals take care of their babies.

## NEWS & REMINDERS

- **Report cards** are going home today. Please keep everything and send the empty envelope back to school.
- Please return **Solar Eclipse permission slips**.
- **April 11:** Theme Thursday: **Mismatch day!** Wear clothes that do not match.
- 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

May 13: Brookfield Zoo Field trip

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





# FIRST GRADE

4/5/24

## Language Arts

We will begin Unit 13 in Superkids this week.

Word Work - Students will learn to spell and read words with *ar* and *or*.

Reading - Students will read grade-level texts and then discuss characters and character feelings. We will also practice connecting text to self and identifying the main topic of a text.

Writing - Students will plan a character for a fiction story. Then, they will write a draft for a problem-and-solution fiction story.

DAILY HOMEWORK - Practice spelling & reading the spelling words.

\* The Spelling Test will be on Friday, April 12 \*

## Spelling Words

car

born

far

corn

star

horn

card

short

hard

sport

### Challenge Words:

\*backyard

\*morning

## Math

This week, students will investigate time and events and then, we will practice telling time to the hour and half hour. On Thursday, we will review for the End-of-Topic Assessment by reviewing halves and fourths and telling time to the hour and half hour. Students will take the Assessment on Friday.

## Updates & Reminders

\*Please return Solar Eclipse Permission Slips for Monday's Solar Eclipse event. Students who do not receive permission will not be able to participate.

\*Report Cards were sent home on Friday, April 5.

\*We are planning one last field trip. Information coming soon!

\*The 1st Grade Picnic will be on Tuesday, May 7.



Contact Us:



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## 2ND GRADE

4/5/2024

### Super Kids

This week, we will work on word endings. We will learn about regular and irregular past tense verbs. We will read text in illustrations and understand literary and information texts.

### Spelling Words

planning	swimming	sitting	making
writing	giggling	jogged	stopped
scrubbed	agreed	smiled	decided

### 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.



# Grade 3

## 🎯 What We Are Learning

### ELA

This week we will be taking the IAR (Illinois Assessment of Readiness) for ELA and Math. We will also continue our new unit, The Viking Age.

### MATH

This week we will be preparing for the state test (IAR) by reviewing.

### SCIENCE

We are going to be learning about the Solar Eclipse that is taking place on Monday

**SOCIAL STUDIES** We are studying the state of Illinois

## Week Of

April 8, 2024

## At Home Practice

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

## Reminders



Brookfield Zoo  
Field Trip is on  
April 23rd.  
Please send in  
\$10 by  
April 17th.





# Grade 4

## 🎯 What We Are Learning

### ELA

This week we will be taking the IAR (Illinois Assessment of Readiness) for ELA and Math. We will also begin our new unit on Poetry.

### MATH

This week we will be preparing for the state test (IAR) by reviewing.

### SCIENCE

We are going to be learning about the Solar Eclipse that is taking place on Monday

**SOCIAL STUDIES** We are on our second week studying Illinois



## Week Of

April 8, 2024

## At Home Practice

### Mathia Online

(Carnegie Learning)

**Mathfactlab** (3 times a week)

## Reminders



MSI Field trip is on April 23rd. Please send in \$9 by April 17th



# Grade 5

## 🎯 What We Are Learning

### ELA

This week we will be taking the IAR (Illinois Assessment of Readiness) for ELA and Math.

### MATH

This week we will be preparing for the state test (IAR) by reviewing.

### SCIENCE

We are going to be learning about the Solar Eclipse that is taking place on Monday

**SOCIAL STUDIES** We are studying the state of Illinois

Week Of

April 8, 2024

## At Home Practice

### Mathia Online

(Carnegie Learning)

**Mathfactlab** (3 times a week)

Reminders



# English Language Arts

6th 7th 8th

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 and change with inferences drawn from the text. Students have also been preparing for IAR, which will take place on April 9th and 10th. This test will measure student achievement in their reading and writing skills according to their grade level. These are skills that we have been working on all year.

## 7th Grade

### Dry

Students started reading their new novel, *Dry* by Neal and Jarrod Shusterman. In this novel, the California drought escalates to catastrophic proportions, and one teen is forced to make life and death decisions for her family in this harrowing story of survival. Students will take the IAR test on April 9th and 10th. This test measures students achievement in their reading and writing skills.

## 8th Grade

### Night

This week students continued their novel study of *Night*, by Elie Wiesel.

Students will continue to read the novel, while analyzing characterization and the theme of delusion, which we book noted throughout the section.

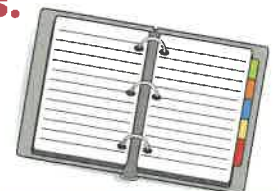
We will continue to work through sections 3 and 4 next week. Students will take their ELA IAR tests on April 9th and 10th. This test will measure student achievement in their reading and writing skills according to their grade level. These are skills that we have been working on all year.

## 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.**





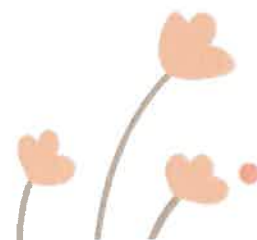
# 6-8 MATH



- We will continue Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) Math practice activities.
- IAR Math Testing Dates:
  - Thursday, April 11
  - Tuesday, April 16
  - Wednesday, April 17
- All students are encouraged to complete MATHia practice at home.

## REMINDERS

- Remember to get a good night's rest each day
- Have a healthy breakfast
- Bring a charged Chromebook and pencils to school





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4/5/24

## 6-8 Science with Amplify Science

### 6th Grade

This week we have begun a new unit on Thermal Energy. Students have been researching how water is used to heat the air. We will have a main focus on Why things change temperature and what causes the temperature changes to happen.

### 7th Grade

This week we have continued to focus on how can the appearance of a substance change without it becoming a different substance? We have been focusing on molecular attraction. Next week we will have a Quiz on Wednesday and be able to explain our theory on what happened to the lake on Titan.

### 8th Grade

This week we learned about lasers, how light is able to bend, reflect and transmit through objects. We will continue to focus on how the sunlight is affecting Australia and will have a Quiz on Monday. We will then finish the week by focusing on how the cancer rates are higher in different parts of the world.

### \*Reminders\*

**Check [teacherease.com](https://www.teacherease.com) for any missing work**

**The textbook and all assignments are posted on google classroom!**

**Report Cards come home on 4/5/2024**

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





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4/5/24

## 6-8 Social Studies with Savvas

### 6th Grade

This week, students started a unit on ancient Greece by creating a map of the region and learning the Trojan War. Next week, Students will learn about the city-states of Athens and Sparta!

### 7th Grade

This week, students continued their unit on the move west by learning about the Trail of Tears and the national railroad system. Next week, we will learn about the Oregon Trail and the Alamo!

### 8th Grade

This week, students continued their unit on the 1920s by learning about the culture of the '20s. Next week, we will learn about the Great Depression and the New Deal!

### \*Reminders\*

- Check [teacherease.com](https://www.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.





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## Physical Education

2/16/24

### Kindergarten-8th Grade

Kindergarten-4th We will have some fun with fitness bowling! Students will learn the fundamentals of bowling and we will incorporate fitness and hand eye coordination stations as well.

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

5th-8th Grade- Students will be participating in the FitnessGram fitness testing.

## **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 =)**



# WILLOW SPRINGS SCHOOL **WOLVERINES**

**Music**

04/05/24

## K-5 Music

**Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade** are reviewing melodic contours, how it ties into pitch and beginning to learn about Baroque music.

**3rd and 5th grade** are learning about the sound processes of ASMR, the relationship of rhythm and meter, and starting to learn their Spring concert music.

## Junior High Music

Junior high students are beginning a drum unit, which include rhythm/meter accuracy and how they can play basic rhythm patterns with 1 hand stick technique.

**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**





# WILLOW SPRINGS SCHOOL

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Band

04/05/24

## 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 look through the entirety of their piece "Sunrise March" and should be listening to their other piece "Azimuth".

## Concert Band

### **Concert Band Practice Material:**

Practice Charts are due 04/11 (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)**





# WILLOW SPRINGS SCHOOL **WOLVERINES**

4/5/24

## Art

### K-5 Art

**Kindergarten:** KL students will be starting a project learning about Axolotl! We will paint our own Axolotl!

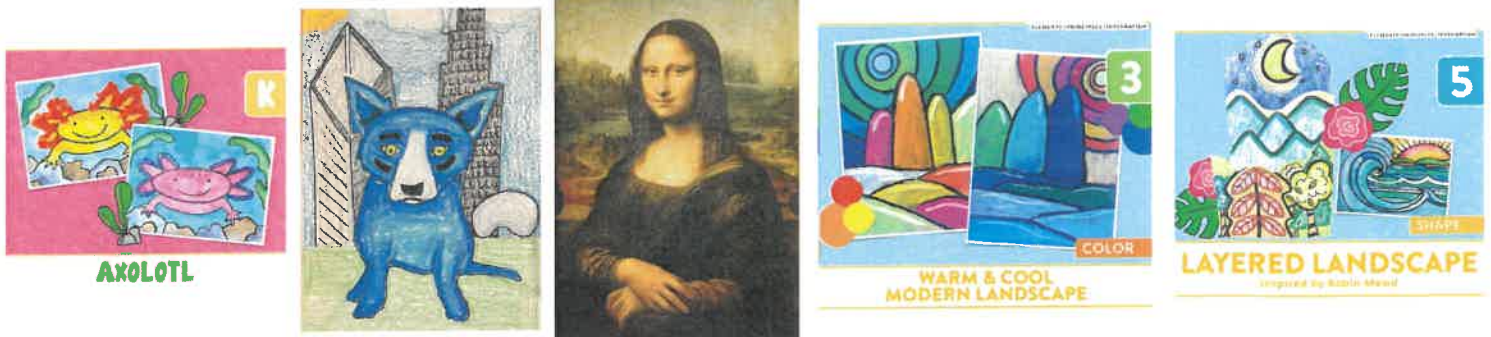
**1st Grade:** Students in 1T will be working on a Blue Dog project inspired by artist George Rodrigue.

**2nd Grade:** Students in 2M will begin a project learning about the most famous portrait in the world, the Mona Lisa! We will then draw our own Mona Lisa portraits!

**3rd Grade:** Students in 3C will continue working on 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 continue 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!

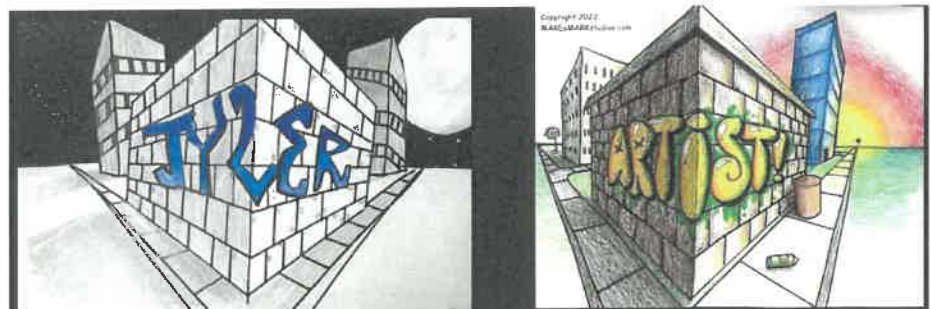


### 6-8th Art

**6th Grade:** Students in the 6K art extension class will work on their felt plushies!

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

**8th Grade:** Students will work on a 2 point perspective project, drawing a wall in perspective which will be turned into a cityscape!







## SOCIAL WORK

3/22/2024

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

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Maribeth Fagan - [mfagan@willowspringsschool.org](mailto:mfagan@willowspringsschool.org)

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

## Sportsmanship

***Describe good sportsmanship, sharing specific behaviors with your child in this season of basketball competition.***

***Guided Home Questions:***

- Why is good sportsmanship important in a competition?***
- What are the benefits of competition? What do you learn from it?***
- Describe an example of your own competitive experience when working with others toward a common goal.***
- What are some of the signs that competition has become unhealthy and could be detrimental to others?***





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4/5/24

Mrs. Strauch's Classes

S.I. K-2 ELA with Superkids

## KINDERGARTEN

The Superkids book this week focuses on all of the Superkids we have met and is called *Us*. The letter this week is *Uu* and the sound is /u/ like in *under*. We will read words like *cut*, *dust*, and *stuff*.

Please continue practicing letter names and sounds and lists of blending words nightly.

## FIRST GRADE

We will learn to decode and encode words with the CVVC pattern. We will identify problem and solution in a literary text.

Please practice spelling words every night.

Spelling Words: **nail tail rain coat road**

## SECOND GRADE

We will learn and decode long vowel words with open-syllable vowel patterns. We will also learn about irregular plurals.

Spelling Words: **lazy later secret final total student**

### Reminders:

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





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4/04/24

Ms. Baricovich

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

**Kindergarten**—We are finishing Topic 8—Moving on a Number Path. We will begin 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 finishing Topic 6. We will begin 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 6—Two and Three Dimensional Shapes. Students will identify, sort, draw and describe shapes according to their attributes.

**4th Grade**—We are continuing test prep for the upcoming Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) Assessment. Our first day of Math testing for IAR is Thursday, April 11, 2024. Please make sure your student is well rested and has breakfast. Encourage them to do their best!

IAR Math Testing Dates:

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- Tuesday, April 16
- Wednesday, April 17

All students are encouraged to complete MATHia practice at home.





Mrs. Brockob & Mrs. Nieves & Mrs. Babcock

## *Eid al-Fitr 2024 is from April 9 to 11*

*Eid al-Fitr is the earliest of the three official holidays celebrated within Islam. Eid al-Fitr is celebrated by Muslims worldwide because it marks the end of the month-long dawn-to-sunset fasting of Ramadan.*

عيد الفطر هو أقرب الأعياد الرسمية الثلاثة المحتفل بها في الإسلام. يحتفل المسلمون في جميع أنحاء العالم بعيد الفطر لأنه يشكل نهاية الصيام الشهري من الفجر إلى الغروب في شهر رمضان.



Eid  
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# Message from 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.



