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Word of the month:
Gratitude/Caring



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November 2023



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2	3 End of term 1
6 	7	8	9	10 Veteran's Lunch 
13 	14	15 Professional Development- 2 hr late start for students	16	17 
20	21	22 No school- Teacher Comp Day	23 No school- Thanksgiving Break	24 No school- Thanksgiving Break
27	28	29	30	



HAPPY
Thanksgiving



Dear Family and Friends of Roosevelt

Thank you for attending our parent/teacher conferences in October. I hope you walked away knowing how your child is doing here at school. I hope you heard about things they do well, areas to grow in, and how you as a parent can support your child at home. If you want to revisit any items covered at conferences, please reach out; we'd be **happy** to visit with you.



A few items to mention:

Cold weather:

Students will go outside for recess unless the air temperature is **below 0** or the wind-chill creates a temperature below **-10 degrees F**. Please make sure your child has appropriate clothing for cold weather; including a jacket, hats, mittens, boots, snow pants, and scarves

We want to hear from you: [Parent Feedback or Suggestions](#)

Lost and Found:

If you are missing an item at home that you feel got lost at school, feel free to step in and look at our Lost and Found. It is located to the left of the **main lobby**.

Veteran Lunch on Nov. 10th

Letters have been sent home inviting you to our **Veteran's Day Lunch** on Friday, November 10th. If you are a Veteran and know a student here who is a relative or close friend, we'd love to welcome you. The lunch is free!

Here are the times of our **lunches:**

K	11:00 - 11:20	3rd	12:20 - 12:40
PreK	11:28-11:55		
1st	11:20 - 11:40	4th	12:40 - 1:00
2nd	12:00 - 12:20	5th	1:00 - 1:20

If you have any suggestions or comments on how we can improve, I am eager to **visit with you**. A school-home partnership is so important. Working together will produce the **BEST** outcome for your child(ren). I can be reached at lockhartl@willmar.k12.mn.us or 231-8474

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Pre-K:

As the weather is getting colder, please remember to send warm coats, hats and mittens every day. This is also an important time to be helping your children with the skills to be independent – putting on their coat and zipping it by themselves. We continue to work on writing their name, naming letters and numbers, and counting.

Kinder:

Hello families! It was so great seeing you all at conferences! This month we are starting a new math unit where we will be learning about shapes and patterns. In literacy, we are continuing our work learning letter sounds and blending letters to make words. We are also reading fairytales and folktales, and practicing handwriting. Please make sure to send shoes for gym class, as well as coats, hats, mittens, boots, and snow pants to school with your students as the weather cools and we start getting snow!

1st Grade:

Thank you for attending our Fall Conferences! It was good to have another opportunity to meet with you all face to face. Please remember to continue watching the weather and sending the appropriate outdoor gear for your child. Recess is no fun when you're cold and wet! This month, we will be learning about Early Civilization as we practice asking and answering questions. We will also continue studying number sense, place value, and counting to 120. Be sure to ask your child to "teach you" what he/she is learning at school - teaching someone at home is a great way to improve their skills! Thank you for working with us to make this a great year for your child!

2nd Grade:

Hello! Thank you so much for coming to conferences this fall. We enjoyed meeting with you to discuss your child! The first couple of months have flown by! This month, we will be practicing using place value to describe numbers from 10 to 1000. In literacy, we will be identifying story elements: characters, setting, problem, events, and solution and writing about the beginning, middle, and end of the story. Thank you for partnering with us in helping your child learn and grow. As always please reach out with any questions or concerns that you may have.





3rd Grade:

Hello families! It's already November - this fall is flying by! We want to start by taking a moment to say THANK YOU to all of you for making the time to come to your kiddos conference, it was great getting the chance to see you again & to talk about your 3rd Grade rockstars! In our classrooms we have been diving deep into addition and subtraction word problems in math and determining the main idea and supporting details in literacy! To finish off our days, we are in the routine of switching between all of our classrooms for content in 2-week rotations in each room with each of us teaching a different subject. Mr. Molacek and Mr. Williams are teaching all about writing & grammar, Ms. Welker is teaching social studies and Ms. Hornick is teaching art! It's been so fun getting to know everyone a little better throughout our whole grade!

As a reminder as it keeps getting chillier outside, please send your kiddos with the appropriate weather gear! Coats, hats, mittens, and snow pants & boots as we get closer to snow! Thank you again for all you do for your student and for us. We appreciate you!

4th Grade:

Fourth graders have been busy since school started.

We are now getting into routine, and learning lots of new things.

Each month we will have S.T.A.R.S. Awards for 4th grader.:

Five students from each class who demonstrate one of the following will be awarded.

S-Successful Learner Award

T-Teamwork Award

A-Acceptance Award

R-Respectful Award

S-Safe Award



The goal is to collect all 5 by the end of the year.

Content has been going wonderful. Classes switch every 2 weeks to another teacher.

In content we are working on the following for the next 2 weeks:

Mrs. Luther-Social Studies-4126 Elected Leaders

Mrs. Michelson-Writing-Persuasive Writing

Mrs. Hovland-Art-Line Art

The weather is starting to cool down. Make sure your child has the proper clothing for outside (coat, gloves, hat, scarf, boots, snow pants etc.).

Students may bring a water bottle to school, and it must contain only water.



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5th Grade:

We are excited for another month of 5th grade! We are getting to know your students and we are accomplishing a lot of great work. Please remember to have your students bring warm clothes for recess! In math we are going to be tackling division and in reading we will be comparing characters in a story as well as finding connections to what we are reading about. Thank you so much for your support!

PE:

Now that the weather is changing, Please make sure your student has gym-appropriate shoes each day for physical education. Sandals, flip flops, clogs, crocs, boots or shoes with heels are potentially dangerous during activity.

We are finishing up our cooperative games, throwing and Kicking units and will be starting Volleyball, Basketball and Tumbling units November 13th.

EL:

EL teachers, support staff, and students have gotten off to a great start. EL teachers are going into classrooms and hosting small groups, teaching along with classroom teachers, and having students come to EL classrooms for language focused support. Students are working on reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills. It is important to note that you can work on these skills at home too. When you ask your child what they did at school each day, it opens a conversation about their learning and helps your child to practice listening and speaking skills. It also helps them to practice the academic vocabulary they are learning at school.

STEM:

For STEM, 5th graders have been busy with the Earth's rotation and its revolution around the sun. 4th grade has been learning about Magnetic Force.

Music:

Music students have been singing and dancing this month! Fourth and fifth grade, have been learning the national anthem and learning how to sing music in a round. They have also been learning what the word evaluate means and have been evaluating different performances of songs they know. 3rd grade and 2nd grade have been working on hearing different elements in music and comparing and contrasting different pieces. 1st grade has gotten really good at finding and showing steady beat this month, and kindergarteners are now leading their classmates in group movement to music.



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Orchestra:

Our 5th-8th grade orchestra concert is coming up quickly!

The concert date is:

Thursday, November 16, 2023

WEAC (611 5th St. SW)



The concert starts at 7:00 p.m. Students will need to arrive by 6:00 p.m. & dress nice.

We are off to a great start this year. If you have any questions about 4th or 5th grade orchestra, please contact Mrs. Zeller at:

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Thank you to EVERYONE who had a hand in making our PreK-2 Fall Festival a huge success!!

We couldn't do it without the generous donations of prizes and time from our awesome families! Our kids had a blast and we can't thank you enough for having a hand in the smiles and giggles. Happy Fall, Y'all!





On October 17th, Roosevelt celebrated Unity Day as part of a nationwide campaign to promote kindness, acceptance and inclusion in order to prevent bullying. Unity Day kicks off our Bullying Prevention month in our school. For the next four weeks, students will be learning how to recognize bullying, report bullying and refuse bullying. Each child will also have an opportunity to sign a schoolwide pledge to end bullying. Together we can take a stand against bullying.

Please reach out to us if you have any questions or concerns.

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