

Roosevelt Elementary

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Word of the month:

Caring



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November 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 	3	4	5	6 End of Term 1
9	10	11 Professional Development- 2 hr late start for Students	12	13 
16	17 	18	19	20
23	24	25 Conference Comp Day- No school	26 Thanksgiving Break- No school for Staff or Students	27 Thanksgiving Break- No school for Staff or Students
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Pre K:

Preschool has been busy learning, whether we have been at school or home. Parents have done a great job doing activities at home and sending us pictures and information! Parents remember you are your child's first and most important teacher! That being said, we can't wait to be back in school and on a schedule with your children. Please send cold weather clothing as we will still be going outside most days.

Kindergarten:

Kindergarten wants to thank you for your patience during these changes over the last month. We appreciate your teamwork as we chart these unknown waters, and look forward to continuing to work with you to make this year a great one in kindergarten! We have had HARD-working kinders who finished our ABC boot camp! That means we have officially talked about the sounds for each letter and know how to write them in upper and lower case. Keep practicing the letter names, sounds, and writing of upper and lowercase at home! We are also talking about asking questions while we read books. Good readers think about the story and ask questions about what has happened. In math we have talked about the numbers 0-8! We practiced finding hidden partners (numbers hidden inside other numbers), writing each number, and counting up to and on from the numbers. Keep practicing number formation and counting at home!

1st Grade:

First graders are working on asking and answering questions this month! We will continue to practice identifying and describing characters. In math, we will be focusing on solving word problems by using the RDW process (Read Draw Write).

2nd Grade:

What a journey this has been! Things sure continue to change and look a little different, but we are so appreciative of your support and help while we continue to do the best we can! Our students are so easily adaptable, and have been doing great work through the transitions! In math, we are finishing up Module 3 which looks at place value. Our students are working hard with hundreds, tens, and ones! Literacy has also been a change. We have really focused on nonfiction texts! These are exciting as students enjoy learning facts and seeing real photographs. We are so thankful for the time we have spent together, and the work being done at home!

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3rd Grade:

The third grade teachers have been so impressed with how well the students have adjusted to distance learning and now the hybrid model. We are so excited to start our next Module in math about time and measurement, that is always a fun unit! And we are moving on from Literature to Informational Texts in literacy. These students keep surprising us with all the knowledge and flexibility they show with this ever changing year. Keep up the great work and keep being STARS.

4th Grade:

Fourth grade has been adjusting to new ways of learning. We are talking about how we can be successful learners wherever we are. Our next literacy unit we will be learning about character traits. In math, we will be starting to multiply multi-digits, starting with 10, 100, and 1,000. Each class has been talking about being respectful and accepting through our Second Step lessons. As the weather starts to cool down, please make sure your child has the proper outdoor gear and continues to bring a mask to school. Thanks for all of your support at home! Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

5th Grade:

Wow, it has been a crazy start to the year, but we are putting our best work in each day in 5th grade. In math we are so psyched for doing whole number multiplication and division. In Literacy we are going to be reviewing and tackling finding main ideas and summarizing, as well as finding themes in stories. We appreciate all your support, we love your kids!

PE:

We have enjoyed watching the children play outside, but with Hybrid learning there are some changes. We will be posting on line in our Phy. Ed. classrooms, so please remember to look at those. Keep healthy and safe!



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STEM:

3rd Grade: Welcome to S.T.E.M. 3rd Graders

Mass and Temperature measuring skills challenges!

4th Grade: 4th Grade will be doing Mass and Temperature Labs!

5th Grade: 5th Grade will explore Forces in Motion...lots of fun experiments with Gravity and more!

Music:

As I mentioned in our first newsletter music is now on wheels. Instead of the students coming to the music room I now go to their homerooms. We have had to change the types of activities we can do in that setting but are still working to grow our understanding of and ability to perform music. The move from in-person to distance learning and now to hybrid is proving to provide some new things to learn in the form of using our technology for lessons. Parents, please know that even when your child is not in school music instruction is still being presented to them through Google Classroom (the same format their homeroom teacher uses). All students received an invite to "join" their music class. Almost all students are now receiving my lessons. Please check that your child has clicked "join" so they keep up with our lessons. The second thing I would like you to know is that students are expected to view the videos and follow the instructions within and/or read my instructions on their music days. They do receive both a skill and participation grade in music on their report cards. If they have questions they may message me through Google Classroom. Simply saying they are done does not demonstrate to me that they have completed the lesson. They will be asked in each lesson to provide me with some sort of evidence of learning which I explain in the videos and instructions.

We all know what a challenge 2020 has been but every day I see students and staff rising above that challenge and our learning continues. We can do this!! Stay well.

EL:

One of the greatest gifts you can give your child is the gift of two (or more!) languages. Being bilingual is good for your child's brain, makes communication with grandparents and relatives easier, and is an advantage for finding jobs in the future. <http://www.colorincolorado.org/raising-bilingual-kids>





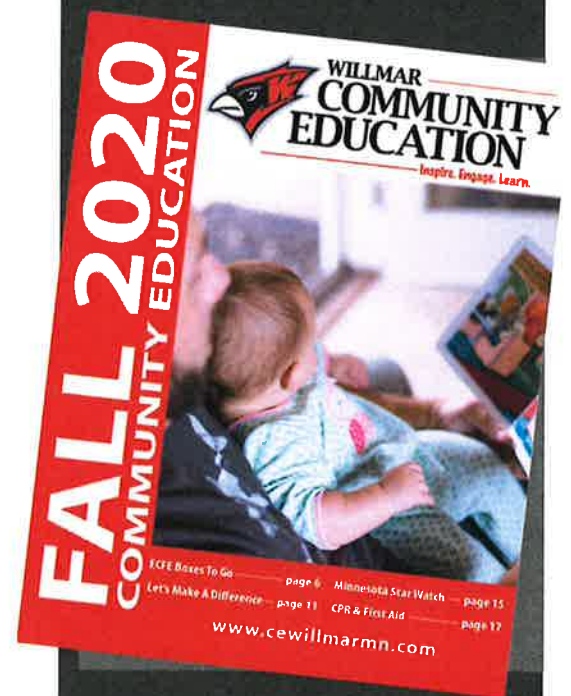
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