



Weekly Parent Reminders

September 15, 2023

Important Dates

September 20th – Back to School Night (5-7 pm)
September 20th – HH La Tienda Sale (3:15 pm)
September 22nd – HH Bake Sale (8:15 – 9am)
September 29th – Coffee with the Principal (8:45 am)

Back to School Night

We are very excited about our Back to School Night event. We will have 2 sessions of classroom presentations for families that have more than one student's class to visit. Doors will open at 5 pm, families will first go to classrooms for the first session to see visit with teachers and gather information about our exciting school year! After the first session, we will move to the gym to visit with our partners and non-classroom staff (PTO, Reading All-Stars, Inner Core teachers, Student Support Team and more). Come by and say hello! Then move to the second session.

On Time Arrival

Friendly reminder, school doors open at 8:35 am. All students should arrive to school before 8:45 and be in classrooms ready to begin the day. Instruction for the day begins at 8:50 am. If your student arrives after 8:50 am, they must stop by the main office to get a tardy pass. This helps to ensure that attendance for the day is accurate.

We are currently doing all Beginning of the Year testing. It is important that students arrive on time to be able to test for the start of the year.

Hispanic Heritage Month

September 15 – October 15 is Hispanic Heritage Month. We will be celebrating the month with various events! Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Our next community event will be a Tienda/Bodega Sale for Back to School Night. Come by and purchase some treats!

Dental Exams ****September 19****

We will have Gordon Dental come to school to do basic cleanings and checkup for our students. Please make sure to complete the forms sent home authorizing your child to be seen. Insurance is not needed. Stop by the main office if you have any questions or give us a call (202-939-5390). Please turn in your forms this week in the main office. Forms are on our [website](#) or in the main office.

“Self-Dismissal” and Sibling Pickup Permission Form

All students in grades *PK 3 through 5* must have a signed permission form on file to walk or take public transportation home alone or with a sibling. No student will be allowed to leave school alone or with a sibling until the attached form has been signed and returned to the main office.

This form is only required for students who are walking or taking public transportation home without their parent, guardian, or another adult who is authorized by you to pick them up. Please return a separate signed form for each of your children.

Students will not be allowed to walk home at dismissal if this form is not returned.

To complete the form online, visit: <https://forms.office.com/r/jHiWsvahne>

Kids Ride Free Metro/Bus Cards

The Kids Ride Free program allows students enrolled in DC Public Schools, DC Charter Schools, and DC private/parochial schools to receive a KRF SmarTrip card for free travel to and from school and school-related activities within the District of Columbia, using Metrorail, Metrobus or the DC Circulator. Please contact the main office (202-939-5390) if your student needs a SmarTrip card for the new school year for the bus or metro.

Social Media

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