March Edition **MISSION:** At Wonder Park, we promote lifelong learning and growth for all students. members



Home of the ALL STARS! VISION: We empower all students to become independent, productive community

A Message from Your Principals

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Dear Families,

As we move into the month of March, we want to keep you informed of important dates and events happening at school. Here's what you need to know:

End of the Third Quarter

The end of the third quarter is fast approaching! This is a great time to check in on your child's progress and encourage them to finish strong as we head into the final quarter of the school year. Please be sure to review their grades and reach out to teachers if you have any questions or concerns.

Spring Break

Spring break will be from March 8 - 16. This is a time for our students to recharge and come back refreshed for the remainder of the year. We hope your child enjoys their time off and returns to school ready to finish the year strong!

State Testing

State testing is just around the corner! Please mark your calendars for March 25 - April 4. These assessments are an important part of our educational system, and we encourage all students to take them seriously. It's important that your child gets plenty of rest the night before and has a good breakfast on testing days to help them perform their best. More detailed information will be sent home soon regarding testing procedures and preparation.

Literacy Night – March 25th

We are excited to invite you to Literacy Night on March 25th! This event will be a fun and engaging evening, with activities, games, and resources to support your child's literacy development at home. It's a wonderful opportunity to spend time together while reinforcing the importance of reading and learning. We hope to see you there!

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to a productive and exciting month of March!

SCHOO March 7, and 10-14

We've Got T-shirts Youth-Adt \$10 Limited sizes in youth hoodies \$20-\$30



Family Literacy Night March 25 5:30-7:00 pm



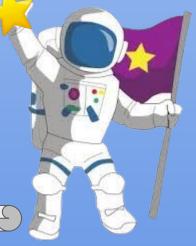
MARCH

7	End of quarter/no school		
10–14	SPRING BREAK		
25	AK Star testing (3rd)		
	Field trip (4/5th)		
	Family Night 5:30-7		
26	AK Star Testing (4/5)		
27	Math testing (3-5th)		
28	Makeup testing		
	APRIL		
1	Science Testing (5th)		
2/3	Makeup testing		
11	Movie Nt. Wild Robot		
25	Testing Team @ WP		

Breakfast Monday 8:30 am T-F 7:30-7:50



School Hours Mondays 8:50-2:30 Tues-Fri 7:50-2:30 pm *Students need to picked up by 2:45 pm*



Perfect Attendance No absences or tardies Thank you parents and students!

January 2025

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Matthew		Janice
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Aira		Brossard
James		Mullen
Sharon		Mullen
Jackson		Mullen
Arya Belle		Mullen
Greycin		Brossard
Shannon	l i	Brossard
Zia		Mullen
Penelope		Sullano
Posie		Thomas
Mckaden		Inomas
Naomi		Thomas
Elijah		Warta
Ricky		Johnson
Jeremiah		Garcia
Irish		Warta
Venna		Johnson
Aliyah		Jun
Aiden		Jun
Harmony		Ribbens
Alysiaune		Ribbens
Sadie		Jun
Isabella		Ribbens
Jayla		RIDDEIIS
Brooklyn		Ribbells
Emaly		Ribbens
Kirah		Harvill
Jocelynn		Ribbens



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ADDY Counselor to the Stars!

Hello All Stars!

I hope this newsletter finds you well! As we continue this school year, I want to discuss an essential value that can significantly impact our school community: kindness. In February, that is exactly what we focused on in our SEL lessons together.

Kindness is not just a nice thing to do; it is foundational in creating a compassionate community. Practicing kindness can help reduce bullying, improve friendships, and enhance our overall school environment. Students explored the lasting impact that our words and choices have on the people and world around us. When children practice kindness, they learn empathy and understanding, which are vital for their social and emotional development.

Tips for Encouraging Kindness at Home

Model Kindness: Children learn by observing. Let's demonstrate kindness in our everyday actions, whether it's holding the door open for someone or helping a neighbor.

Discuss Feelings: Encourage your child to talk about their feelings and how they think others might feel. This cultivates empathy.

Celebrate kindness: Share stories of kindness at home. Celebrate those moments when your child does something kind and discuss their impact. You can support your child by discussing the importance of kindness and even participating in acts of kindness as a family.

Thank you for your continued support in nurturing a caring school environment. Together, let's make kindness a powerful part of our school culture.

- Ms Addy



School Business Partnerships: Subway, Mt. View Lions Club, Childrens Lunchbox, and Costco



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HEALTHY start



This month we will be diving into a new and exciting topic: **Diseases!** This unit is designed to teach children about the human body, how it works, and the importance of staying healthy.

During health, your child will explore a range of concepts related to diseases, including what causes them, how they spread, and the ways we can prevent them.

We believe that teaching children early on about their bodies and how to take care of them is a crucial step in fostering lifelong habits for good health. By learning how diseases work and how to prevent them, students will gain valuable knowledge that they can use in their everyday lives.

EXPLORATION DAY APRIL 10TH

On this exciting day, every K-5 student will have the opportunity to select a group from a diverse list and spend the entire day engaging in fun activities.

Our dedicated staff members are eager to share their unique talents and hobbies with students, creating an unforgettable experience!

We invite you to be a part of this wonderful event by completing a volunteer application on time. Join us in making this a fantastic day for everyone.

Hello All Star Families!

March is quickly approaching, which means so is the 21st Century Spring Break Camp!

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Highlights From 21st CCLC

This Spring Break Camp will be held at Lake Otis Elementary, and is only available to students who are CURRENTLY enrolled in the 21st Century After-School Program!

If you would like to sign up, please make sure you have completed the enrollment form that was sent out via Remind, or that you picked up a flier that has the enrollment QR code! Spots are limited for this week of fun, and we don't want anyone to miss it!

Alaska Botanical Gardens will be joining us again to help us with our beautiful garden located next to the front office- make sure you stop by and take a look! We will also be expecting Civil Air Patrol for a day of fun!





2025 AK STAR and Alaska Science Assessment

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Addy Esco School Counselor Each spring, Alaskan students are provided an opportunity to show what they know. When students show what they know, teachers and parents can partner to promote student success. The State of Alaska Department of Education has partnered with NWEA to align and connect the English language arts (ELA) and mathematics tests with the MAP Growth benchmark assessments students take in fall and winter.

This balanced assessment system targets instruction to better support meeting students' individual learning needs. In addition, students will take only one assessment per content area (ELA and math) and be provided two scores as follows:

- 1. Summative assessment result at grade-level
- 2. MAP Growth interim benchmark result, including growth from fall to spring

AK STAR, the Alaska System of Academic Readiness, is comprised of English language arts and mathematics and is administered to students in grades 3-9. The Alaska Science Assessment is administered to students in grades 5, 8 and 10. The purpose of a large-scale, summative assessment is to provide parents and schools an overall picture of a student's progress in meeting the Alaska standards at grade level.

Parents can locate resources for AK STAR and the Alaska Science Assessment, including directions for Student Readiness (Practice Tests and Tutorials), student testing times and general assessment information on the ASD website at https://www.asdk12.org/akstar.

Parents can also help by ensuring their children are well rested, eat a nutritious breakfast, and are at school on time for the days of testing. Please avoid scheduling appointments on your child's testing days.

The ASD AK STAR and Alaska Science Assessment testing window allows for school assessment scheduling flexibility. Students! Get ready to show what you know during our school's AK STAR and Alaska Science Assessment testing dates:

Tuesday March 25:

- 3rd grade AK Star Reading
- Wednesday 26:
 - 4th & 5th grade AK Star Reading

Thursday, March 27:

• 3rd-5th grade Math

Friday, March 28th:

• Make-ups

Tuesday, April 1st:

• Science Test (5th Grade Only)

Wednesday, April 2 & 3-

Make Up Testing

Wonder Park School Goals for 2024-2025 Year

DURING THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR, WE WILL DECREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS IN THE RED FOR THE END OF YEAR ON MCLASS BY 5%. FROM 38% TO 33%.

READING MAP SCORES: INCREASE THE GROWTH PERCENTILE OF STUDENTS IN MAP FROM THE 41ST PERCENTILE TO THE 56TH PERCENTILE FOR THE SPRING ASSESSMENT .

WE WILL INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF PROFICIENT STUDENTS IN MATH MAP SCORES BY 5% 61st degree to 66 degree.

We will decrease the percentage of students who are chronically absent from 51.09% to a maximum of 45.39%.

INCREASE STUDENT'S FEELIN E FROM 60% TO MATE CONNECTEDNESS SURVEY.

2024/25 MISSION STATEMENT

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