

Parent Suns,

Hello! I hope everyone is enjoying your summer! We are looking forward to seeing you next week at our summer activity. We will be hosting a meet and greet on July 20th from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at Greenwood in the backyard. We will be reading together, creating bird feeders, making friendship bracelets and having fun activities! We hope you are able to make it to meet some of our teachers and make some new friends. Parents will also have an opportunity to meet and greet and find out more about getting involved. We will have an FCO meeting while your students are enjoying the planned activities. We are hoping to have a lot of parent involvement this year!

You can find next year's calendar [here](#) on our website. This will have our start date and all of our days off next year. We will come to school Monday through Friday next year in person. There will NOT be an online instruction day. School will begin at 8:15 a.m. and end at 3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Our short day will be on Friday. We will get out of school every Friday at 12:30. We made this change so that we can work with our EL Education partner schools more effectively. We hope that it will be a good change for all of us!

As we look forward to fall, and the challenges of COVID-19, we intend to deliver all instruction in-person unless a student is quarantined. In person instruction is what is best for students and we hope that the impact of the virus will be minimal. We are currently awaiting recommendations from the state and so requirements may change. Currently students will not be required to wear masks but are welcome to based on your family's desires and needs. If students are exposed to the virus and not wearing a mask, they will be asked to quarantine. We will continue to work with the local and state health departments to implement plans to keep students and families safe. New information on this front will be communicated with you promptly.

We can't wait for this year to begin! We have so many exciting things planned and look forward to returning to our expeditions and fieldwork! Our students and families were amazing last year! We made some great progress despite the hardships that we faced. We can't wait to see what we can do this year as we are able to get back into the type of learning that we love!

Our current office hours are Tuesdays 9:00 am - 12:30 pm. Please let us know if you have any questions.

See you soon!

Mrs. Nelsen