

MARCH 2023

OLD POST UPDATE

Message from Principal Mitchinson & Assistant Principal Swanson

Wonderful Old Post Parents

A couple updates for you!

- This is a reminder that the 2023 Illinois Parent Survey opened on Jan. 24, 2023. The survey window will close on March 31, 2023, so please plan survey administration accordingly. 14% of our Old Post families have taken the survey and we need 20%.
- Link for parents to take the survey: <http://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/>

The survey closes March 31, 2023.

Please help us gather this important feedback to make OP a better place for all!

- Our school population has been working diligently to complete all testing requirements. Starting the week of March 6th, all students in Grades 3, 4, and 5 will begin their Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) tests. This is one measure of your student's achievement at this point in their life. Educators use this information to measure the value in our instructional goals, curricular choices, and progress relative to our school- and district-peers. Please assure your student that this is one of many opportunities to show all that they can do, but that they should approach this as another regular day of school wherein they do their best to be successful learners and people.

Dates to remember:

- 2/27/23 Dr. Seuss Fox in Socks: Wear your silliest socks!
- 2/28/23 Dr. Seuss Cat in the Hat: Wear your favorite hat!
- 3/1/23 Story time Cafe 5:30 pm
- 3/1/23 Dr. Seuss Wacky Wednesday: Wear mismatched clothes and hair
- 3/2/23-Dr. Seuss The Sleep Book: Wear your coziest pajamas!
- 3/3/23 -County Wide Institute Day
- 3/6/23 Butter Braid Fundraiser kickoff
- 3/8/23 PTA Chipotle Night 5:00-9:00pm
- 3/9/23 PTA Meeting 7:00 pm
- 3/10/23- PTA Movie Night 6:30 pm
- 3/12/23 -Daylight Savings time begins
- 3/20/23 - Butter Braid orders due
- 3/21/23- OP Culver's Night
- 3/27/22 -3/31/23 Spring Break
- 4/3/23- Students return from Spring break
- 4/4/23 - No School Teacher Institute day
- 4/5/23 - Butter Braid pick up 11-3:00pm
- 4/7 & 4/10/23 -No School

Reminders from the main office:

- Please see important information here regarding our SD308 Dual Language program.
- You can also find the Kindergarten Parent information guide by clicking on this link.

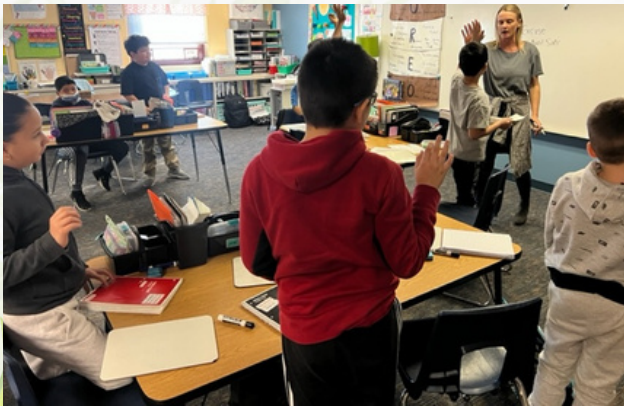
Supporting our School Improvement Goals

Each month we will be sending a couple educational articles or resources that you might enjoy. Please see the below articles explaining why teaching of math vocabulary is so important and tips for independent reading and SEL ideas to think about

- [Why Is It Important to Read to Your Child?](#)
- [Child psychologist: The No. 1 skill that sets mentally strong kids apart from 'those who give up'—and how parents can teach it](#)
- [10 New Math Terms Every Parent Needs to Know](#)



Words their Way



4th grade SEL



Size of the problem with Mrs. Asiyabi

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Important links for you below:

- [Arrival and Dismissal Procedures 2022-23](#)
(Please review with your child ensuring we are all safe)
- [Old Post Home Page](#) (You will find Old Post News and Pics, quick links to district information and our building calendar)
- [SD308 Home Page](#)
- [SD308 Transportation](#)
- There are openings across the district for many different positions. To learn about opportunities and/or complete an online application for positions open in SD 308, please visit our employment page located on our district's website.

Employment opportunities

- [Health Requirements](#)
- [Elementary ABCDE Specials Schedule](#)
- [PTA Hub.](#)
- Do not not forget to follow us on Facebook and Twitter



Staff professional development