

WESTERN HILLS ACADEMY

MAY 2025

A WORD FROM OUR DIRECTOR

Academy Families,

It's astonishing how quickly the school year is coming to an end! April was filled with fun, learning, and exploration. As we welcome May, we begin by celebrating all of our Amazing Wildcat Moms at the annual Mother's Day Program. The students sang from their hearts—you could truly feel the love in the room!

Students are now preparing for End-of-Year Assessments, which will take place from **May 5th–9th**. Please ensure your child gets plenty of rest and arrives on time, as testing will begin first thing each morning.

Teacher Appreciation Week is also upon us! I want to express heartfelt thanks to our incredible teachers, who keep us inspired through learning, friendship, and fun. Take a moment to thank a teacher who has guided, encouraged, and supported you or your child this year.

Summer Registration is now open! Don't miss out—come join us for a summer filled with adventure and learning.

Finally, a big **thank you** to our amazing PTO for the love and support they've given us throughout the year. Consider joining this wonderful group of dedicated parents who make a lasting impact on our school community.

With gratitude & Blessings
Mrs. Mendoza

IMPORTANT DATES

May 05-09

End of Year Diagnostics
Teacher Appreciation Week

May 16th

End of Grading Period

May 21st

Pre K and 5th Grade Graduation Ceremony
Classroom Parties

May 22nd

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
Early Release - No aftercare available

May 23rd

End of Year School Party

June 2nd

Summer Session Begins

NURSERY MRS. AMPARO

Hello Parents,

We had another amazing month here! It was truly a joy to watch our little ones shine during our beautiful Easter Program. They made us all so proud with their performances! We also had a wonderful time celebrating together at our Easter Party, filled with laughter, fun, and special memories.

Thank you for your continued support and for sharing these precious moments with us. We are excited for all the new adventures and learning that April will bring!

Warmly,
Ms.Amparo



PK1 MRS. MARISELA

Hello Parents

I want to thank Mrs. Pacheco and Mrs. Terrazas for helping us with the Easter egg hunt, the children had fun. Also Parents, thank you for your participation in helping with our Easter lunch celebration - the children loved their lunch.

This month, we will review our alphabet, shapes, colors, and finish our numbers 8, 9, and 10. We will also color paint flowers and do some fine motor activities.

And still keeping an eye out for our first sprout of our legume bean.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Marisela
Pk1 18-23 months



PK2 MRS. SUZIE

Hi Parents

First of all I want to thank all the parents for helping with the Easter event. Also, thank you to Bobby's parents, Mrs. Cuevas and Mrs. Terrazas for helping with the luncheon. I also want to welcome Zoe to my class. We will review and continue with the letters ABC and the colors. We will start with our Mother's day event and start practicing music for Mothers day.

Thanks
Mrs Suzie.



PK3 MRS. DAVIE

We hope everyone had a wonderful April!

The children had so much fun learning about animals, Easter, and plants. We had fun at our Easter party! Thank you to all who contributed goodies for our party. We look forward to a very fun and exciting May!!!

This month the children will be focusing on Mother's Day, the Ocean, butterflies, birds and flowers.

Everyday at circle time the Pk3 will continue name recognition, shapes, numbers, colors and alphabet recognition.

Thank you Mrs. Davie



PRE - K MS. VERO

It's hard to believe that we are already in May! Last month was filled with excitement, learning, and wonderful memories. In April, we focused on the letters X, Y, P, and W. The kids enjoyed practicing their letter sounds, recognizing these letters in words, and creating fun crafts to go along with them. We also had an action-packed month with several special events. Our Easter Program was a beautiful celebration where the kids made us all so proud. We followed it with a fun-filled Easter egg hunt and Easter party. Another highlight of the month was watching the school play — it was an inspiring experience for our young learners and a wonderful introduction to the world of performances.

As we step into May, we will be reviewing everything we have learned this year to prepare for the transition to Kindergarten. We will also enjoy exploring springtime themes, creating special Mother's Day projects, and spending more time outside enjoying the warm weather. Thank you for your continued support throughout this year. We look forward to a joyful and memorable final few weeks together!

Warm regards,
Ms.Carrillo



K4 MS. TAYLOR

Hello K4 Families!

I cannot believe we are entering our last month of school! April was filled with so much fun, and so much growth. The students did such an amazing job at the Easter Program and were absolutely adorable in their Sunday Best. I'd like to give a huge THANK YOU to the parents that helped with the Egg hunt and party activities, the kids really had so much fun. I would also like to say THANK YOU so much for all of the love and wonderful Easter gifts, it is truly appreciated that you all shower Ms. V and I with so much love.

We loved seeing everyone at the zoo and having fun with our families.

In April, we finished almost all of our letters and solidifying phonetic knowledge, worked really hard on our blends and focused on getting our handwriting nice and legible for Kinder. Our Kinder teachers have taken a peak in at our class and are so excited to see their growth for the rest of May, and know they are ready for Kinder!

In math, Ms. V has been teaching the students all about graphs and documenting their outcomes.

For May, we are excited to spend our last month together and watch our class butterflies grow!

Thank you,
Ms. Taylor and Ms. V



K5A MRS. CARDONA

Dear Parents,

We've been having a wonderful time in Kindergarten! The students are continuing to review special sounds and are excited to learn new ones each week. Their reading skills are growing quickly, and we are beginning to write simple sentences. We are also learning to recognize punctuation like periods and question marks.

In math, we've been practicing counting by 2s and continuing to work with coins—pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters. We're also doing addition and subtraction, telling time on the clock, and solving simple story problems.

The children are especially excited about all the beautiful plants that we have in the garden. Thank you so much to all the parents who helped make our egg hunt a fun and exciting experience! Also Loved to see some of you at the zoo, it was such a fun field trip!

Thank you for your continued support.

Warmly, Mrs. Cardona



K5B MRS. PEARSON

Dear Parents,

We've had another wonderful and busy month in kindergarten! I am so proud of all the progress the students have made, and I want to share some updates on what we've been working on in the classroom.

We continue to review special sounds and introduce new ones. The children are doing a fantastic job with their letter recognition and sound mastery! We are also starting to write short sentences. Our reading groups are doing AMAZING, and I couldn't be prouder of the effort they put in everyday. It's clear that they love to read!

The class has been working hard on mastering the eight Addition Family. We've also been reviewing our classroom coins – penny, nickel, dime, and quarter, focusing on their names, appearances, and values. We continue to build confidence with basic addition and subtraction, using manipulatives, and story problems to make math meaningful and fun.

I would like to thank you for helping us make this year's Easter celebration a memorable one for the children.

Many Blessings,
Mrs. Pearson



1ST GRADE MRS. RAMIREZ

Hello Parents,

April was an exciting month. The students did a wonderful job during their Easter Performance, and really enjoyed their Easter Party.

We finished reading our second chapter book, "Flat Stanley" and started our third book, "Dinosaurs before dark." The children are enjoying it very much.

The students will continue to build their math, writing and reading skills as the year progresses.

Our caterpillars have arrived and the children will observe the butterfly cycle.

Kindly,
Mrs. Ramirez



2ND GRADE MRS. ORTIZ

Dear parents,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Easter with friends and family.

As this school year is coming to an end we will continue to work on Language, practicing nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs by writing sentences, reading and summarizing stories.

Mathematics, practicing sums, differences, multiplications and divisions.

Students have been doing an amazing job working hard on their spelling and this month we finished our spelling tests strong with 100s on all the spelling tests.

This month of April we learned about taking care of the earth for earth day, had our classroom easter egg hunt, had lunch with family for the book fair week, and ended the month with a fun field trip to the Zoo.

Thank you parents for your support in the classroom and with all the extra school activities.

Regards,
Mrs. Ortiz



3RD GRADE MS. MONICA

Dear Parents,

I would like to take this time to say THANK YOU for such an amazing year. I could not have asked for a better group of students than this group. We laughed, we explored, we created, we grew! I will remember this group of students forever. I'm so glad I was given the opportunity to get to know this group of Amazing Scholars. I will remember this group of students forever. Their great personalities and brilliant minds motivated me to come into work each day, I learned from them and enjoyed sharing the day with each and everyone of them. Go now and enjoy your summer. Spend time with your future 4th grader, and keep up the great work! The group of Amazing Scholars will accomplish much in their future.

Thank you!

Love,
Ms. Monica



5TH GRADE MRS. CUEVAS

Welcome to our classroom!

This month we have completed our last project of the semester which was our earth day projects and students got to create art work using recycled material that they found in their homes. Students also enjoyed getting to go to the ZOO for our Spring field trip which was so much fun. We will be completing our last few exams of the semester and we will be taking the STAAR exams in the next month to help students practice their test taking skills. Please have students get a good night's rest and our classroom mom will be providing snacks that week for students to munch on while they take those tests. Students will also begin working on their mothers day gifts for their wonderful moms which I believe they are going to love. The end of the school year is upon us and the 5th grade graduation is getting closer which is very exciting.

Looking forward to the next month full of fun and exciting days!

Thank you for all the support!

-Mrs Cuevas





SPANISH MS. NATALIA

As we head into the final stretch of the school year, we've been spending time reviewing everything we've learned. It's amazing to see how much growth has happened!

For Día de la Tierra (Earth Day), we enjoyed the sunshine and took care of our new plants and flowers by watering them outside. It was a wonderful way to connect with nature and celebrate the day.

The end of the year is almost here—thank you again for your continued patience and support!

Ms. Natalia

MUSIC MS. MOTA

Music in the Classroom!

After weeks of practicing for our next performance, students finally got to chance to show off all their work at the Easter program. The Easter program was a great success and I could not be prouder of these students! As we come close to the end of the school year, the last performance for the students was the Mother's Day Program. The students all did an amazing job learning their next song, right after learning their songs for Easter. It was wonderful to see you all there!

ART MRS. CUEVAS

Wildcats!

This month students in art have begun creating art of Animals, Flowers and Mothers day crafts!! We have created many artworks using many different materials like toilet paper rolls, yarn, crepe paper. Students have created artwork also to celebrate our Earth by finding many materials from our school and creating beautiful artwork. Flowers and animals have been the theme for this past month and students have created many flowers out of paper and have colored many animals. This next month students will work on summer crafts and will be creating artwork getting them ready to celebrate the last days of school.

Thank you for the support!

Reminder parents art program is located in the Lab C-4
-Mrs Cuevas

THEATER MS. MOTA

“Fairytale Invasion” was an absolute success, and after three months of hard work it finally paid off! A big thank you to Mrs. Mendoza, Mrs. Vanderzawn, and all the parents of the theatre club. I am immensely grateful and proud of the students for doing so well in their first theatre production, this is all because of the love and dedication that they have given this project.

As the end of the school year approaches we will continuing to learn about improvisation techniques and monologues!

EASTER PROGRAM

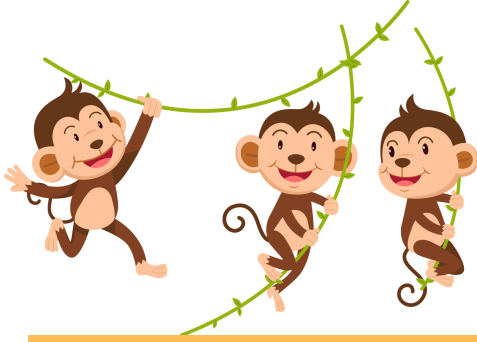


WE WILL MISS YOU MS. JULIE

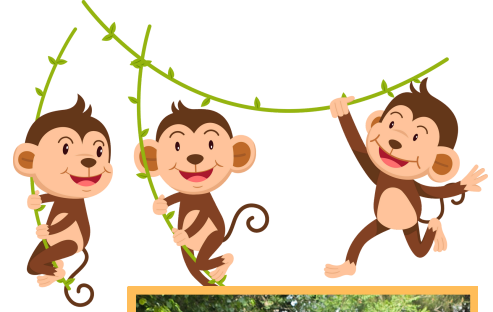


GARDENING DAY





ZOO TRIP



FAIRYTALE INVASION PLAY

