

Route 40 Elementary School

Jacqueline Hawkins, Principal

March 1, 2024

The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go. - Dr. Seuss



We will celebrate Read Across America next week with a Dr. Seuss Spirit Week!

Dr. Seuss Spirit Week

Monday, March 4th

Wear red or blue

(One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish)



Tuesday, March 5th

Wear your favorite hat and silly socks

(The Cat in the Hat and Fox in Socks)

Wednesday, March 6th

Wear wacky clothes that don't match

(Wacky Wednesday)

Thursday, March 7th

Wear green

(Green Eggs and Ham)



Friday, March 8th

Wear pajamas

(The Sleep Book)

PRE-K AND KINDERGARTEN

Application Process
begins 2/12/24 for the
2024-25 School Year!

www.gcps.net/enrollment





Please Complete
the Maryland
Special Education
Parent Involvement
Survey

Your opinion matters!

Available February 12
to May 24, 2024

Start Now.

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Kids Heart Challenge

Students will participate in the Kids Heart Challenge on the afternoon of March 12th. Each student MUST have a signed permission form to be able to participate in the event. Forms were sent home last week, if you need a new one please let Mrs. Bolden know. Let's get Heart Healthy together ♥



Blood Drive

Route 40 Elementary School Parent Involvement Team will host the American Red Cross Blood Drive on March 20th, 12-6pm. Please sign up by going online and following the directions on the website. If you need assistance please call the school or email Mrs. Lapp at Penny.Lapp@garrettcountryschools.org. The class that has the most blood donations will earn a pizza party.

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=Route40>



March



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					Term 3 Mid Term	
3	Read Across America Week	4	5	Family Game Night 5:30-7:00	6	7
	Wear Red or Blue		Wear a Hat or Silly Socks	Wear Wacky Clothes		Wear Green
					Wear Pajamas	
10		11	MISA Testing	12	MISA Testing	13
Daylight Savings Time Begins			Kids Heart Challenge			MISA Testing
			BOE Meeting		Pi Day	14
						15
17		18		19		20
St. Patrick's Day			Hello Spring!		Blood Drive 12:30pm – 6:00pm	21
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					Grades K & 1 st to Hickory	23
24		25		26		27
					Staff Development 12:15 dismissal	28
					Applelicious Orders Delivered	29
31						30
					Good Friday – Schools Closed	



March Happening:

March 1st - Qtr 3 Mid Term

March 6th - Family Game Night, 5:30-7:00

March 10th - Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 12th-15th - MISA Testing

March 19th - All County Band Practice - GC

March 20th - Blood Drive, 12:00-6:00pm

March 21st - K & 1st to Hickory

March 26th - All County Band Practice - GC

March 27th - 12:15 Dismissal

- Applelicious Fundraiser Delivered

March 28th - Schools are NOW OPEN

March 29th - Schools Closed - Good Friday

Please take note of the following GCPS Calendar dates that have been adjusted due to three inclement weather/school closure days that have occurred so far this year. The GCSOE approved these dates during the February 13, 2024, monthly meeting:

- Thursday, March 28, 2024, and Tuesday, April 2, 2024, will be used as make-up days, reducing Spring Break to Friday, March 29 through Monday, April 1, 2024.
- June 10, 2024, will be used as a make-up day.
- End of Grading Period 3 – April 4, 2024. End of Grading Period 4 – June 10, 2024.
- Report Cards Period 3 – April 11, 2024. Report Cards Period 4 – June 17, 2024.
- The students' last day of school has been moved to June 10, 2024.

Any additional school closure days before the above-referenced dates will delay these periods further

Weekly Breakfast & Lunch Menu

<p style="text-align: right; margin: 0;">4</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Fish Sandwich Yogurt Parfait Chicken Nuggets French Fries Pears Mixed Vegetables</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Whole Grain Donut, Cereal, Mixed Fruit Cup, Orange Juice, Milk</p>	<p style="text-align: right; margin: 0;">5</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Breaded Chicken w/Corn Muffin Chef Salad Pizza Mashed Potatoes Pineapple Green Beans</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Sausage Biscuit, Cereal, Craisins, Fruit Juice, Milk</p>	<p style="text-align: right; margin: 0;">6</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Macaroni & Cheese w/Wheat Roll Yogurt Parfait Chicken Patty Sandwich Peas Peaches Broccoli</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Muffin, Cereal, Pear Cup, Orange Pineapple Juice, Milk</p>	<p style="text-align: right; margin: 0;">7</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Cheese Ravioli w/Breadstick Chef Salad Pizza Tossed Salad Orange Wedges Oven Roasted Vegetables</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Waffle, Cereal, Strawberry Applesauce Cup, Grape Juice, Milk</p>	<p style="text-align: right; margin: 0;">8</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Walking Tacos Yogurt Parfait Pepperoni Roll Carrot Sticks Mixed Fruit Black Beans</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Cinnamon Roll, Cereal, Orange Wedges, Apple Juice, Milk</p>
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Reminders

Family Game Night

Route 40 Family Game Night has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 6 from 5:30-7:00pm. Pizza, Chips, Drinks and Dessert will be provided. Please bring your families favorite board/card game.

We look forward to a fun evening!



Changes in Transportation

Please remember that if there are ANY changes to your students transportation, you must send a note in with your child or call the school at 301-689-6132, please make sure that you speak to someone, do not leave a message. If the phones are down, the messages don't always come through until later. **We ask that you please DO NOT email Mrs. Bolden or your child's teacher with the change, we may not see the email in time.** If you have questions please contact Mrs. Bolden.

If your child is absent for any reason, GCPS requires a note be sent within 3 days of returning to school. This way the absence can be coded appropriately. After the 3rd day the absence is unexcused. Please send a note in with your child to be turned in to their teacher or you can email Mrs. Bolden about the absence.

Advance Absence Approval

If your child will be absent for personal reasons(vacations) and you know in advance, there is a form that needs to be filled out and signed by the classroom teacher and Mrs. Hawkins. You can email Mrs. Bolden or send a note and request the form be sent home with your child a week prior to the absence. Any questions please feel free to contact the office.

Recess

As a reminder we still try to take the students out for some fresh air during the winter months. If the temperatures are above 32 degrees we will attempt to out. Please have your students wear a jacket and maybe gloves and hats.

Lifetouch.

Route 40 Elementary School
Grades Eligible to Purchase: PRK - 5
Yearbook ID: 14673424

Yearbooks are now available to preorder!



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You can shop at the following link for a school spirit wear. Orders will be delivered to the school.

<https://rt-40-23.spiritsale.com/>



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