

Summer 2019

Dear Kindergarten and First Grade Families,

Planning for the 2019-2020 school year is well underway! Included in this mailing is important scheduling information to help you plan for the fall.

In order to help the students transition into the kindergarten and first-grade academic program, there will be a graduated dismissal schedule (attached) for the first few weeks of school. During this graduated dismissal schedule, students may be picked up at the time listed. The After School Club (ASC) will also be available (for no fee) between the early dismissal and the regular all-school dismissal times until the graduated dismissal schedule has ended. All students are dismissed at 12:30 pm on the first day of school. Your child may be picked up on this day in the carpool area.

Your child's teacher assignment will be emailed to you in late August. If you have not received the information by August 24th, please contact the front office.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Have a great summer!

Sincerely,

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## K-1 Graduated Dismissal 2019-2020

Transitioning into a new school year can be physically and emotionally draining, especially for young children. To ensure that this transition is successful and stress-free, the Kindergarten and First Grade teachers have developed a graduated dismissal schedule. This schedule takes into consideration the developmental needs of the students and allows them an appropriate length of time to adjust to the rigors of a full academic day. Though many of our students are coming from a full-day preschool program, we find that there is still a substantial adjustment period for them. In order to lessen the burden on parents during these opening weeks, the After School Club (ASC) is open to children, free of charge, between their early dismissal and the normal Lower School dismissal. The ASC will provide a less structured environment for kids to unwind, play, or simply rest.

## Kindergarten - Dismissal Times

**RED** indicates a time different from the rest of the week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
	8/27 12:30	<b>8/28</b> 12:00	<b>8/29</b> 12:00	<b>8/30</b> 12:00		
9/2 NO SCHOOL	<b>9/3</b> 1:15	<b>9/4</b> 1:15	<b>9/5</b> 1:15	<b>9/6</b> 1:15		
<b>9/9</b> 1:50	<b>9/10</b> 1:50	<b>9/11</b> 1:50	<b>9/12</b> 1:50	9/13 1:15		
<b>9/16</b> 1:50	<b>9/17</b> 1:50	<b>9/18</b> 1:50	<b>9/19</b> 1:50	9/20 1:15		
Normal Dismissal Begins						
<b>9/23</b> 2:30	<b>924</b> 2:30	<b>9/25</b> 2:30	<b>9/26</b> 2:30	9/27		

## 1st Grade - Dismissal Times

**RED** indicates a time different from the rest of the week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
	8/27 12:30	<b>8/28</b> 12:00	<b>8/29</b> 12:00	<b>8/30</b> 12:00		
9/2 NO SCHOOL	<b>9/3</b> 1:50	<b>9/4</b> 1:50	<b>9/5</b> 1:50	<b>9/6</b> 1:50		
<b>9/9</b> 1:50	<b>9/10</b> 1:50	<b>9/11</b> 1:50	<b>9/12</b> 1:50	<b>9/13</b> 1:50		
<b>9/16</b> 2:30	<b>9/17</b> 2:30	<b>9/18</b> 2:30	<b>9/19</b> 2:30	<b>9/20</b> 2:30		
Normal Dismissal Begins						
<b>9/23</b> 3:15	<b>9/24</b> 3:15	<b>9/25</b> 3:15	<b>9/26</b> 3:15	9/27 2:30		