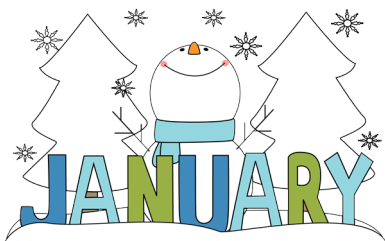


# Route 40 Elementary School

Jacqueline Hawkins, Principal



**January 26, 2024**

Your uniqueness is what makes you shine" - Anon

**Monday, January 29th, is an Asynchronous Day (no live instruction) for Students. Students must return their completed assignments on Tuesday in order to be marked present on Monday.**

**Wednesday, January 31st, Schools Closed - Parent/Teacher Conferences.**

## **Pre-K Survey**

We are asking for the communities help. If you have a child that will be Pre-K age (3/4) for the next school or know someone that has a child this age. Please fill out the below survey. We greatly appreciate it.

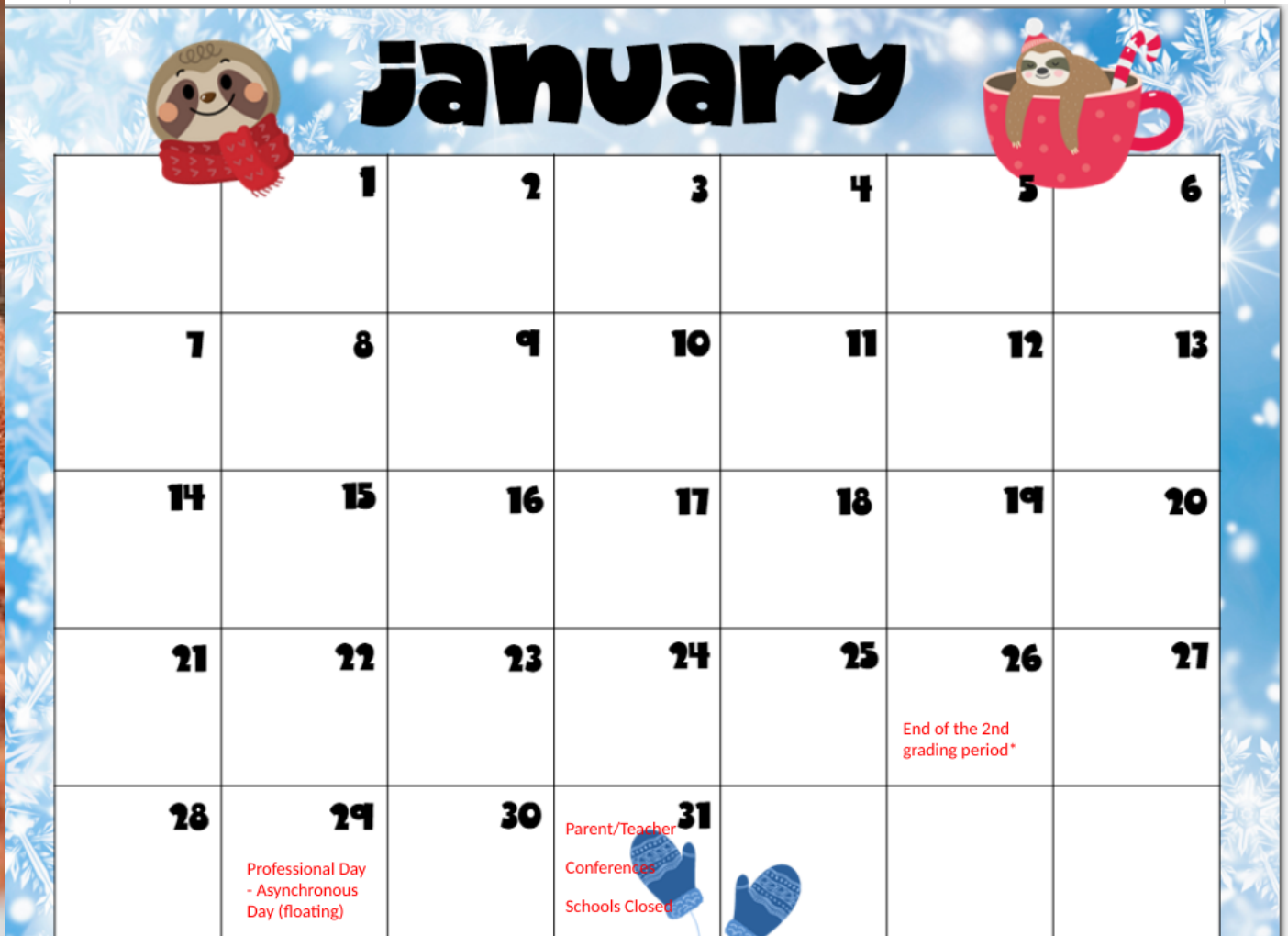
# Pre-Kindergarten Interest at Route 40 Elementary School

We need your help! Route 40 Elementary has been asked to survey the community to determine interest and potential enrollment in possible Pre-K3 and Pre-K4 classrooms. If you are the parent of a child who will be age 3 or 4 by September 1, 2024, and live in the Route 40 Elementary school district, please take a few minutes to complete the survey. Your responses could help make pre-k available in our community.

[Sign in to Google](#) to save your progress. [Learn more](#)

\* Indicates required question

Email \*



January Happening:

January 26th - End of Term 2

January 29th - 91st Day, Professional Day (Floating) Asynchronous \*

January 31st - Parent/Teacher Conferences 11:00-6:30

February Happenings:

February 1st - PTO Meeting 6:30

February 7th - Grades 2/3 to Hickory  
 February 14th - Classroom Valentine's Day Party  
 February 16th - 12:15 Dismissal - Staff Development  
 February 19th - Schools Closed - President's Day\*

\*Dates may be adjusted due to inclement weather days.

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Wednesday, January 31, 2024 from 11:00 am - 6:30 pm.  
 Conferences will last approximately 15 minutes.



## Weekly Breakfast & Lunch Menu

29 91 <sup>st</sup> day – Asynchronous Day Professional Day	30 Corn Dog, Yogurt Parfait Pepperoni Panini, Mixed Vegetables, Peaches French Fries Whole Grain Muffin, Cereal, Raisins, Grape Juice, Milk	31 <b>Schools Closed</b> Parent/Teacher Conferences	Feb 1 BBQ Sandwich, Pizza, tossed salad, pears, ice cream Muffin, Cereal, Raisins, Grape Juice	Hamburger on bun, Pepperoni Roll, Yogurt Parfait, tater tots, mixed fruit, baked beans Muffin, cereal, fruit cup, apple juice.
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## Reminders

### 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.

### Absences

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.



### School Messenger

As we head into the winter months, please take a moment to double check your contact information in school messenger to ensure that you will receive a phone call or text for delays and school closures. Instructions can be found on the Garrett County Schools Website. Please let Mrs. Bolden if you need assistance.

### 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.

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/>



**Michele Bolden**

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