



## WALKER WEDNESDAY NEWS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2024

### WALKER ATTENDANCE LINK

[Click here](#) to report all absences:

- ⇒ Leaving early/Arriving Late
- ⇒ Medical/Dental Appointments
- ⇒ Overslept
- ⇒ Illness
- ⇒ Travel/Vacation
- ⇒ Funeral
- ⇒ Hospitalization
- ⇒ And many others!

### IMPORTANT! SPREAD THE WORD!

#### REGISTRATION FOR 2024-2025

Staffing and sections for next year are determined by enrollment. It is important that both returning and new students **register now** for the 2024-2025 school year. If you know any new families who will be attending Walker next year, please encourage them to register now.

[Returning / New Student Registration](#)

### ASTRONAUT VISITS WALKER!

Astronaut Don Thomas will visit Walker on Monday, March 18 at 2pm. Thanks to generous parent donations, Mr. Thomas is coming to Walker for a belated Science Week assembly. To learn more about Astronaut Thomas, [click here](#). Families are welcome to come to the assembly. [Click here](#) if you'd like to reserve front row seating.

#### FRONT ROW SEATS

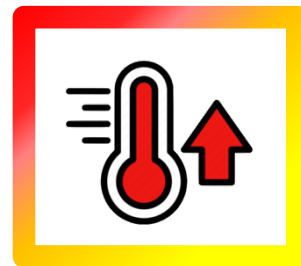
3/20 1:30 Grade 1 Music Performance  
3/22 1:30 Gr 4 Opera for the Young

Doors open at 1:15pm. If you want to be sure you have good seats to take pictures and/or videos, reserve your tickets [here!](#)

### WARM WEATHER REMINDERS

#### BIKE RIDING

Students in Grades 3, 4 and 5 are allowed to ride their bikes to school. Remember to wear a helmet and park bikes in the Walker bike racks and use a bike lock.



#### WALKERS

Children should use the sidewalks coming to and from school instead of cutting through neighbors' yards. Spring is here and everyone wants grass to grow.

#### DRY CLOTHES

Students sometimes get wet while playing outside and want to change into dry clothes at school. Please send a set of dry clothes for your child to keep at school, including: top, pants, underwear and socks.

#### DRESS CODE

With warmer weather around the corner, we need to remind students to dress appropriately for school. This includes tops that do not show the midriff and no spaghetti straps or halter-tops. Please keep shorts at an appropriate length for school. Keep safety in mind when buying shoes for the spring/summer. Children will be playing outside and need to be able to run and play without twisting their ankle (avoid slides, stacked heels) or stubbing their toes (avoid skimpy sandals). They should wear socks with their gym shoes to avoid getting blisters with bare feet. Please remind your children that they may not wear make-up, face paint or hair dye and hats/scarves should be removed when inside the school.

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## 2023-24 SLATED PTO BOARD MEMBERS

The PTO Board members for 2024-2025 are:

### Co-Presidents

Kate Manger  
Sarah Fenstermacher

### Treasurers

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Meghan Boland

### Communications

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Nika Feeney  
Amanda Osacky

### Secretary

Rochene McLinn

### WalkerFest

Krista Grasso  
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Several times throughout the year we donate unclaimed lost and found items to charity. Please remember to check our Lost and Found tables located in the foyer by the office.

## OPT IN FOR TEXT MESSAGING

If you would like to receive text messages from D181, please send "Y" or "Yes" to 67587. See attached flyer for more information.

## UPDATE THE DITTY BAG!



Please be sure your child has a change of clothes (including socks) in their locker at

school. Some children have outgrown the clothes sent in the fall, and others have not replaced the clothes after they were used. Thank you!



## ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

**Elementary Golf** will start their Spring session on Friday, April 5. See attached flyer for more details and [click here](#) to register.

**Chess Club** is offering their third and final session for this school year. [Click here](#) to register and see attached flyer.

## LOST AND FOUND

Is it hot? Is it cold? We've had a lot of both lately. Be sure to check Lost and Found for any missing clothing that might have been left at school.



## DROP OFF/PICK UP

We have been working with the Clarendon Hills Police Department to improve compliance at drop off and pick up times. Please remember to be considerate of all drivers as we try to move cars through the car line quickly.

- Have your child ready to exit the car
- Pull forward as far as you can
- Do not load/unload on Walker Avenue
- No leap frogging unless directed by staff
- Display name placard

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## MARCH SELAS THEME

The SELAS theme for March is **SELF AWARENESS – SELF CONFIDENCE**. With adult assistance, we are helping students identify/name their personal interests and what is unique about themselves. Please reach out to your child's teacher if you have any questions

## PAWPRINTS

3/13-3/15 IL Science Assessment Gr 5  
3/14 3:05 BAMtheatre  
3/15 3:05 Claffy Draw and Paint  
3/15 3:05 Elementary Golf  
3/15 3:05 Gr 1 Girl Scouts  
3/16 Parents' Night Out (Neat)  
3/17 Happy St. Paddy's Day!  
3/17 Choir Goes to Chicago Wolves  
3/18 2:00 All School Assembly – Astronaut  
3/18 3:05 Lee Han Martial Arts  
3/18 3:05 Chess Club  
3/18 7:00 BOE at HMS  
3/19 3:05 Sticky Fingers #1  
3/19 3:05 Language Labs  
3/20 1:30 Gr 1 Music Performance  
3/20 3:05 Sticky Fingers #2  
3/21 3:05 BAMtheatre  
3/22 11:25 PTO Hot Lunch  
3/22 1:30 Gr 4 Opera for the Young  
3/22 3:05 Claffy Draw and Paint  
3/22 3:05 Elementary Golf  
3/25-3/29 Spring Break

## END OF YEAR DATES:

5/24 12:30 Field Day  
5/29 Last Day for KG Rising Stars  
5/30 AM Gr 5 Pancake Breakfast  
5/30 1:30 Gr 5 Promotion Ceremony  
5/30 Last Day for KAM / KPM  
5/31 Last Day of Student Attendance  
5/31 9:30 Recognition Assembly  
5/31 11:30 Dismissal/Clap Out

## DEADLINES FOR WWNews

Due Monday by Noon . . .

All information to be included in WWNews is due by Monday at noon. This includes both written content and flyers. Items received after that deadline will be included in the following week.

## CONTACT US:

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[Walker Attendance Link](#)



## WALKER SCHOOL HOURS:

School Day: 8:40 am – 11:25 am  
12:20 pm – 3:05 pm

## WALKER FLYERS:

Chess Club  
Elementary Golf





# ***IMPROVE YOUR GOLF SWING AT WALKER SCHOOL***

120 WALKER AVE. CLARENDON HILLS, IL 60514

FRIDAYS: APRIL 5 - MAY 24

(8 WEEKS) FROM 3:05 TO 4:15 \$320

SPACE IS LIMITED MIN 6 - MAX 10

CLASSES TAKE PLACE IN THE GYM



***REGISTER ONLINE***  
***WWW.ELEMENTARYGOLFSCHOOL.COM***

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Eric Pratali PGA 630-880-0825 [eric@elementarygolfschool.com](mailto:eric@elementarygolfschool.com)



# Join the Walker Chess Club!

Mon. March 4, in the MPR 3:05-4:05pm

Learn and Play the game of Kings and Queens!

- No chess experience needed. Beginners welcome!
  - All New, Lessons, Games, Worksheets, and Tournaments
  - Learn Fun New Tactics, Strategies, and Tricks to Improve!
  - Earn Certificates and Prizes!
  - Mondays 3:05-4:05 in the MPR
- 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6
- \$189 activity fee (w/ coupon "Walker")

Bughouse (team chess) tournament  
with trophies in chess club this session!



Register Online  
[www.IllinoisChessTeachers.com](http://www.IllinoisChessTeachers.com)

Email for a free trial week or prorated rate.

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