

# WELCOME TO CHACE STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL!



*Home of the Dolphins!*

2023

- We're glad you're here!

- Today's Agenda:

- *General information*
- *Bussing*
- *Absences/vacations*
- *Student Services*
- *School Security*
- *PTO*
- *School dismissals*
- *Upcoming events*
- *And of course...your questions!*



**Welcome Dolphins**



**Hopefully tonight we will  
answer all of your questions.**

- 8:40 AM –Drop off
- 8:45 AM – 3:15 PM
- 3:25 PM – Pick up:  
Please do not bring  
any pets to student  
pickup!



**School Hours**

**CHACE STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:**  
**508-324-3160**

Mr. Timothy Plante, Principal ext. 102

Mr. Christopher Green, Assistant Principal ext. 106

Mrs. Paula Faria, Administrative Assistant ext. 101

Mrs. Andrea Richmond, Administrative Assistant ext. 103

School web site [www.chace.somersetschools.org](http://www.chace.somersetschools.org)

**OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

Mrs. Meg Ashton, Director of Special Education:  
508-324-3100 ext. 3217

Ms. Jennifer McCarthy, Preschool/Special Education Facilitator  
508-324-3160 ext. 126



**Contact Information for Chace  
Street School**

The best way to find out what's going on at Chace Street School is to visit the website. You will find:

- Current news, events and important dates
- One Call Now Update "my info"
- STAR Reading/Accelerated Reader & Lexia programs
- Bus routes.
- School Supply list
- List of faculty and email addresses
- School Handbook
- Link to the PTO
- Teacher websites
- Educational & Parent websites
- Monthly School Calendar

**[www.chace.somersetschools.org](http://www.chace.somersetschools.org)**

- Bus Routes and streets are posted on the district website
- Buses arrive at school between 8:30-8:45
- Buses depart from the school starting around 3:15.
- If you have questions about bussing call Fisher Bus Company 508-673-0685 ext. 11

**Bus Transportation & AM Recess**

Hot lunch is served on all full & half school days in the café, except the half day before Thanksgiving.

Both school breakfast and lunch are free for all students. Students may also purchase snacks during lunch time. We email the school lunch calendar to you

The cafeteria utilizes a “point of sale” system; parents may go online to [www.MYSCHOOLBUCKS.COM](http://www.MYSCHOOLBUCKS.COM) at any time to view their child’s balance, add money to their account, or to view what their child has been purchasing during lunchtime.

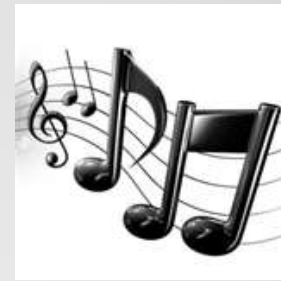
Students sit at assigned tables with their grade level classmates.

## Lunch & Breakfast





- Physical Education: Lori Vallett
- Art: Veronica Moniz
- Music: Nicole Miragliotta, Tina Rausch, Audra Gifford
- Computers: June Mitchell & Kendyl Santos
- Health: Amy Carr, Lori Vallett
- We rotate on a 5 day cycle (Monday-Friday)



**Specials**

- Please call the day of the student absence before 8:30am. (508) 324-3160. Listen to the prompt and press #1 to leave a message. When your student returns, please send in a note to the teacher, even if you have called the absence in.
- Absences due to family vacations are considered UNEXCUSED. However, we understand that vacation time for working parents does not always coincide with that of the school district's.



## **Student Absences**

- If you are dismissing your child early, please send in a note to your child's teacher. *Advance notice will assure that your child will be ready and on time with every thing they need. If you need to dismiss unexpectedly, please call before 2:00pm*
- When you arrive at school to collect your child simply go into the office and your child will be called out of the classroom.
- Early dismissal may also mean you have a sick child that needs to go home. Either the custodial parents or those on the emergency slip will called.

## **Student Dismissal**

# A Word About Vacations

If you will be keeping your child out for a family vacation. Your child will be responsible for making up any work they have missed. Work is NOT given out in advance. (see school handbook) Please let your child's teacher know the dates involved.

\*March, April and May are MCAS months, so please be mindful of the testing dates if you have a 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> grade student.



- Our school nurse, Mrs. Christine Bugara, is available all day assisting both unexpected illnesses and long-term health issues. If there are medical issues or concerns about your child, please contact the nurse. 508-324-3160 ext. 104. Please do not send any medication to school WITH your child.
- Karina Sousa, our School Psychologist is on staff to work with students in individual and small group settings. Our school psychologist can also work with families to find services to assist a family in need. Ms. Sousa can be contacted by calling the school's main number, 508-324-3160.
- You can email any of our staff by using their first name.last [name@somersetschools.org](mailto:name@somersetschools.org)

For example, [Timothy.plante@somersetschools.org](mailto:Timothy.plante@somersetschools.org)

## **Student Services and Information**

For the safety of all students and staff:

- All exterior doors are kept locked during the day. When visiting Chace, please enter ONLY through the main office and sign in with the secretary.
- You will be asked for ID if picking up a student.
- We also have multi-security cameras installed throughout the building.
- Please do not approach students who are outside at recess or gym. Students are told not to approach anyone, even someone they know, when they are outside. Please come to the office if you need to see your child.
- Children will only be released to custodial parents and those on the emergency form. You must provide a note if your child is to be release to anyone else.

## **Security at School**



It is the policy of the Sonoma County School Department to cancel school only in the most severe weather conditions.

In the event of a school delay, parents are expected to use their own judgment in sending children to school.

Announcements will be made through the OneCall Now System, as well as on local radio and television stations.

When a ninety (90) minute delay in opening of schools is made, elementary schools start at 10:20 a.m. School opens for the arrival of students at 9:50 a.m. Expectations for buses to pick-up students would be approximately ninety (90) minutes later than the accustomed time.

**In Case of Snow or Emergencies...**

The Chace Street PTO works to support education and programs at Chace Street School. Their hard work has helped to provide fieldtrips, supplies, student programs etc.

The Chace Street PTO meets on the second Wednesday of the month in the Teacher's lounge @ 6:00pm. If you are interested in being a member, look for a notice coming home with your child in the near future.



**Chace Street PTO**



- **Back to School Night:** September 13, 2023  
5:30-7:30 a letter will be sent home letting you know the time to come
- **Early release Days for September:** September 8 & 20 at 12:30 (lunches will be served)
- **Picture Day-** Student pictures at school on Wednesday, September 27th for all grades
- **Hat Days-**Feinstein School every last day of the month
- **Parent Teacher Conferences** – Times for families to meet individually with teachers will be scheduled on:
  - Monday, 12/7 from 12:30-7PM



More information about schedules and times will be coming home soon.

**Upcoming Events at Chace Street School**

**Thank you for coming to our  
Orientation!**

**Any Questions???**

