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Principal's Prowl

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Dear Weddington Families,

Spring is upon us which means we are closing in on Spring Break! Spring Break is April 10th – April 14th. Students will return to school on Monday, April 17th. Upon our return from Spring Break, the teachers will be off and running again with high-level, rigorous instruction. As you know, the days following Spring Break are critical ones. We ask for all parents to continue to make school attendance and promptness a priority. We understand there are circumstances and illness that may prevent our students from attending school or arriving on time. Just like our wonderful parents, the Weddington staff encourage our Wildcats to do their absolute best. In doing so, it is essential to have our students present in school. We thank you for your support and partnership as we toward the end of another school year.



I hope all Wildcat families have a very safe, restful and peaceful Spring Break. We will see our students back at school on April 17th.

Yours in education,
Kristen Sebek
Principal

From our Assistant Principal

EOG Proctors Needed!!!!

Dear Parents,

Upcoming Events

4/3/17 – 4/7/17 – Relay for Life – Eggstravaganza

4/5/17 – Site Based Team Meeting – 2:30 p.m., Media Center

4/7/17 – K-5 Field Day - *see Field Day rain date

4/10/17 – 4/14/17 – Spring Break

4/21/17 – Field Day Rain Date

4/24/17 – Principal Awards – K-2

4/25/17 – Principal Awards – 3-5

4/25/17 – 3rd Grade Field Trip – UNCC

4/28/17 – Kindergarten Field Trip – Monroe

The NC Ready End-of-Grade Assessments will be administered to all students in grades 3-5 on Wednesday, May 31st (English Language Arts) and Thursday, June 1st (Math). In order to comply with state laws, we are required to have proctors assist with test monitoring. This means we are in need of your help! Recently, an email was sent to all room parents to be sent out to all WDES families with a SignUpGenius for this important job. Please consider supporting our teachers and students during these assessments, as we strive to demonstrate proficiency and increase our growth!!! Thank you for your consideration and I wish each of you a wonderful spring break!!!

Sincerely,

Emily Kraftson

From our Guidance Counselor

Dear Wildcat Parents and Families,

I can't believe it's already April! This month, the school counseling program at Weddington Elementary will be focusing on the character trait of "kindness." Students in second and third grade will receive classroom guidance lessons about kindness and will learn about the positive impact that being a caring person can have on the classroom, school and community. Students will have the opportunity to share their ideas about what kindness is and how the kindness 'ripple effect' can help others around them.



I am looking forward to these lessons on kindness and encouraging our students to spread kindness throughout the school. Be on the lookout for random acts of kindness this month!

Sincerely,

Anna Galvin

School Guidance Counselor

Field Day is Coming!

Our Weddington Elementary Field Day is quickly approaching! All parents, friends, and family members are invited to watch our Wildcats participate in our exciting, annual event! Field Day is Friday, April 7th. The schedule is as follows:

K-2nd Grade: Morning Session 8:30 to 10:30

Lunch Break from 10:30 to 11:30

3rd-5th Grade: Afternoon Session 11:30 to 1:30

We hope you can make it to your child's session. Below are some important reminders we are asking all parents/visitors to follow:

- Please send water with your student in a reusable water bottle. We are trying to decrease the amount of trash created at Field Day and be environmentally friendly.
- ***Do not park on the bus extension road that is beside the field.*** Buses must be able to pass through.
- The event is held in the field next to the playground near the bus parking lot. In order to minimize entry in to the school for Field Day, please report directly to the field. You should not enter the building.
- If it is extremely hot, parents may bring umbrellas. Tents are not permitted as they serve a safety hazard should they collapse.
- If you have volunteered to help, you will receive an email from Sherri McGirt and Shawn Keller. Thank you to those who have offered to help. Field Day would not be possible without you. If you would like to volunteer, please email Sherri at smcgirt@windstream.net.

The rain date for Field Day is Friday, April 21st. Should inclement be predicted for April 7th, administration will send out a mass phone call informing parents of the plan for Field Day no later than 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 6th. Good luck to all of our students!

Terrific Kid Winners

Congratulations to our Terrific Kid winners for the month of March! The students were chosen by his/her teacher for displaying good citizenship in the classroom. Way



to go Wildcats! **Kindergarten: Privette** – Adah Wolfe, **Jones** – Carson Watts, **Orellana** – Eve Norcella, **Rogers** – Eliza Gooding, **Rangel** – Katherine Tedja, **First Grade: Lunzmann** – Luke Duncan, **Recher** – Hope Braswell, **Murray** – Brady Hurni, **Stefano** – Tyler Wood, **Jackson** – Shreshth Bharadwaj, **Alvarez** – Max Werdann, **Isgan** – Adler Dubois, **Leon** – Hudson Ouellette, **Wallon** – Suhas Veerapalli, **Prestopino** – Nolan Cameron, **Martin** – Luke Clifton, **Boyce** – Marie Hubbard, **Hansen** – Aarnav Dave, **Third Grade – Bailey** – Emily Rogish, **Shockley** – Cooper Cox, **Holton** – Jenna Kendrick, **Chambers** – Davis Peebles, **Keil** – Charlotte Goodwin, **Carballo** – Alex Costello, **J. Duncan** – Christian Melton, **Fourth Grade: Katon** – Shai Scheinson, **White** – Emerson Townshend, **Waltower** – Grace Serrano, **Schottland** – Bryce Cameron, **Hubbard** – Thomas Kampiziones, **Fifth Grade: Bryan** – Layla Iglesias, **Fogartie** – Maddie Stapleton, **Schrock** – Isaiah Longoria, **Morgan** – Elie McIntyre, **S. Duncan** – Ava Mucci, **Carter** – Charan Kasireddy

Kindergarten Orientation:

Are you the parent of a rising Kindergarten student? Do you know a parent of a rising



Kindergarten student? **The Kindergarten Orientation is scheduled for Thursday, May 11th at 8:15 a.m.** Parents and the rising Kindergarten students are invited to this event. While our Kindergarten Wildcats are participating in a fun activity in the classrooms, the Weddington administration and teachers will provide the parents with beneficial information as our youngest Wildcats transition to school. We hope to see all of our Kindergarten families at the orientation on Thursday, May 11th at 8:15 a.m.

5th Grade Promotion:

The 5th grade class of 2017 will participate in their promotion ceremony on Thursday, June 9th at 9:00 a.m. in the WMS Middle School gymnasium. The celebration for will follow. Students will be collecting change for their "Change Wars" to purchase benches for our school. Be on the look-out for the 5th grade graduation/celebration "Let's Get Emoijional" flyer coming home all 5th grade students. We look forward seeing all families of our 5th grade students.

WDES Vision: Empower, Strive, Succeed, Excel

WDES Mission: We will empower our students to be life long learners and 21st Century scholars by striving to provide rigorous learning opportunities. This will enable our students to succeed in their classroom and excel to their greatest potential.

WEDDINGTON SCHOOL RULES:

- 1. BE SAFE**
- 2. BE RESPONSIBLE**
- 3. BE RESPECTFUL**



