

Principal's Prowl Newsletter



December 3rd – 7th, 2018

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From the Principal:

Hello families and welcome to December! As a reminder, this Tuesday, December 4th, is an Early Release Day for students. All students will be dismissed at 11:00 a.m. Please be sure to communicate any transportation changes in writing to the teacher.

As we approach the winter months, there is an increased chance for inclement weather. Please ensure the school has the most up to date telephone number and email address for your household. This contact information is how all families receive mass communication, including emergency messages, from the school. *If your family has been enrolled at WDES for more than 2 years and you have moved or changed telephone numbers since that time, please contact Mrs. Felipe, our school Data Manager at norma.felipe@ucps.k12.nc.us, to update your contact information.*

Finally, as we near the end of our first semester of school and approaching the second semester, I want to continue to encourage all parents to make it a point to contact your child's teacher first when you have a question or concern. The best and most efficient way to maintain the school to home partnership is to communicate with the teacher in order to problem solve.

Calendar of Events:

December

12/4/18 – Early Release Day – students leave at 11:00
12/6/18 – PTO Movie Night – doors open at 5:00 p.m.
12/6/18 – Non-perishable food item collection ends
12/18/18 – Winter Celebrations – K, 1st, 5th – during class lunch time
12/19/18 - Winter Celebrations – 2nd, 3rd, 4th – during class lunch time

12/24/18 – 1/4/19 – Winter Holiday – NO School

January

1/7/19 – Students return to school
1/21/19 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day – No school
1/22/19 – Teacher Workday – No School for students
1/31/19 – Report Cards go home

***Room Parents will be sending information on Winter Celebrations.**

****Please see the school calendar on the WDES webpage for additional dates of events.**

As always, we thank you for your continued commitment to your child's academic and emotional progress.

I hope you have a wonderful week! We look forward to seeing our families at the PTO Movie Night this Thursday!

All my best,
Ms. Sebek

From the School Counselor

The Weddington Wish Wall is up and running! It is located on the front bulletin board when you enter the building. All gifts will go to our very own Wildcat families. Please take a heart and return the wrapped gift with the tag attached to the Counseling Office by Friday, December 14th. Thank you for your generosity!

December 6th is the last day of the Kiwanis Food Drive hosted by Weddington's Student Council. If you haven't already, remember to bring in a canned or boxed food item to donate to the Union County Community Shelter.

I have also included my website link for you to access information regarding our Weddington school counseling program. Be sure to contact me should you have additional questions or needs.

Have a great week!

Mrs. Jewell

Website:
<https://sites.google.com/view/schoolcounselorspot>

WDES Spelling Bee:

Congratulations to our 2018-2019 WDES Spelling Bee winner Harini Rajakumar, a 5th grade student in Mrs. Schrock's class. This is the third year in a row Harini has won the Spelling Bee. Harini will now

From the WDES PTO:

Movie Night

Join your friends and family for Movie Night in the WDES Gym on

Thursday, December 6th featuring Incredibles 2!

Doors open at **5:00** and movie begins at **5:15**.
ADMISSION AND POPCORN ARE FREE!!

CANDY AND BOTTLED WATER: \$1 EACH

Sold by the 5th grade students

Proceeds go to the End-of-Year 5th Grade Celebration

BRING BLANKETS AND PILLOWS FOR SEATING*

*Lawn chairs are welcome, but please set them up along the back wall.

****ALL STUDENTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT****

PTO Board

Want to get more involved at WDES? Are you organized and good with Excel? The PTO Board is currently seeking a Secretary for the remainder of the 2018-19 school year. The Secretary maintains the PTO membership info as well as meeting minutes and other important documents. This is a "ready to walk into" position. We have a binder full of information and the rest of the board will be there to train and support you. Email Erin Bonsall, PTO President at wdesptopresident@gmail.com to express your interest.

Additional Volunteer Opportunities

Ms. Bomfim could use some help, particularly on Thursday mornings, in the **Media Center**. Even if you only have 30 minutes, please consider volunteering. Sign up for Thursday mornings or any available time at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0E4FACAE2FA0FD0-wdes1.

Students are invited to shop at the **WDES School Store** on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7:00 a.m. until 7:25 a.m. If you are interested in volunteering at the store, sign up at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0C45A8A82DA6F85-20182019

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move on to the UCPS Spelling Bee in January where she will compete against the winners at all elementary and middle schools. Good luck Harini!

Another congratulations to our WDES Spelling Bee Runner Up, Leah Wolfe. Leah is a 4th grade student in Mrs. Katon's class. She did a great job against Harini. We are also proud of Leah and her spelling knowledge! Congratulations Leah!



WDES Show Choir:

A Thank You to our Weddington Elementary Show Choir and Mr. Becker for representing Weddington Elementary School at the Town of Weddington's Tree Lighting this past Friday night. It was a great way for our students to get out and perform during a glorious time of the year. Way to go Wildcat singers!



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**Thank you,
Your WDES PTO Board**

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HAVE A GREAT WEEK!

MS. SEBEK

