

Principal's Prowl Newsletter



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From the Principal:

Hello Wildcat families! I hope your Thanksgiving Break was filled with rest, relaxation, and plenty of time with loved ones. It is hard to believe the Winter Holiday season is already upon us!

As we approach the holidays and extra family events at our school, it is important to note that our **new school security system will go live tomorrow, November 26th**. This means the first set of doors at the front of the school will be locked. A camera and doorbell are affixed to the wall. All visitors will need to ring the bell and a Weddington Office Staff member will view the visitor through the camera system. All visitors will be asked his/her reason for visiting, the name of the students enrolled in our school as well as the teacher's name. Visitors with a valid reason for visiting the school will be "buzzed" in and must report to the office. As we begin this extra UCPS safety precaution tomorrow, we ask for all visitors to adhere to the following procedures:

1. Be patient and expect a wait time when visiting the school.
2. Be prepared with the reason for visiting the school and the child's name and teacher.
3. Continue to bring a government issued photo identification to sign in.

Calendar of Events:

November

11/29/18 – WDES School Spelling Bee

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.

12/7/18 – 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

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

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

From the WDES PTO:

Movie Night

Join your friends and family for Movie Night in the WDES Gym on Thursday, December 6th. Bring your blankets and chairs and get comfy to watch *Incredibles 2*. Doors open at 5:00 and movie begins at 5:15. *An adult must accompany children.

4. Ensure students are prepared for the next school day to limit dropping off items and materials to the office.
5. Visitors should not hold the door open for other visitors.

We thank you for your patience and understanding as the safety and security of our students remains our first priority. If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact administration.

Have a great week!

All my best,
Ms. Sebek

From the School Counselor

As the holiday season quickly approaches, we are again giving you the opportunity to give back to our Weddington community. The "Weddington Wish Wall" will be up and running starting Monday, November 26th. The wish wall will be located on the bulletin board as soon as you walk into the front doors of our building. Please take a tag with the gift you wish to purchase for our community member, wrap it, and return it to the counseling office no later than Friday, December 14th. Thank you for your support and generosity!

Have a great week!
Mrs. Jewell

Principal Prowl Newsletters

Have you missed one of our newsletters? You can access all Principal Prowl Newsletters on our school website. Just click on our school website link, <https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Domain/54>, then go to "Quick Links", click on August 2018 Principal Newsletters.

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. B 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

For up to date PTO reminders and information about WDES, please like us on **Facebook** at **Weddington Elementary School PTO**.

**Thank you,
Your WDES PTO Board**

HAVE A GREAT WEEK!

MS. SEBEK

