

Principal's Prowl Newsletter



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From the Principal:

Hello Wildcat families! Welcome to October! It is hard to believe we are nearing the end of the first grading period. As a reminder, all parents are required to participate in a parent/teacher conference at the first grading period. Your teacher will send the information for scheduling the conference. Our teachers look forward to meeting with you and discussing your child's progress.

I want to extend a tremendous shout out and thank you to our PTO President, Erin Bonsall, and Joy Misocky, Grandparents/Grandfriends Day event planner, for the amazing job they did with facilitating the two days. Despite a water glitch, both days were organized and a wonderful time was had by all. I also want to thank all of our volunteers who assisted with the event. Our family events could not go on without our amazing parent volunteers. It takes a village and this team proved how amazing things happen when everyone works together. Please see the PTO section

Calendar of Events:

October

- 10/5/18 – Summer Reading Celebration
- 10/5/18 – **Cluster Night at WHS football game – WDES Night on October 19th has been cancelled**
- 10/8/18 – Teacher Workday
- 10/19/18 – PTO Race, Rock, and Roar – parents invited
- 10/23/18 – UCPS Early Release Day – all students dismiss at 11:00 a.m.
- 10/26/18 – *PTO Race, Rock, and Roar Rain Date

***In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Wildcats are encouraged to wear pink every Friday in October!**

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

Cluster Night at the WHS Football Game:

This Friday, October 5th, is cluster night at the Weddington High School Football game. All students who attend WDES, Antioch, and Wesley Chapel and are wearing their school spirit wear, will be admitted free to the football game against Piedmont High School.

of the newsletter for a complete list of volunteers from the event. THANK YOU!!

I look forward to seeing everyone this Friday at the WHS football game. Be sure to wear your school spirit wear! **Due to the rearranging of the WHS football schedule, this game will take the place of the WDES night at the high school game that was originally scheduled for October 19th.** It is going to be a fun night!

Have wonderful week and here's to some chilly fall weather!

All my best,
Ms. Sebek

From the School Counselor:

Hello Weddington Families!

The Christmas Bureau of Union County will begin accepting applications from families tomorrow, Monday, October 1st. If you are in need of assistance around the holidays, please visit Union County Human Services at 2330 Concord Avenue in Monroe from 9:00am – 3:30pm until November 20th. A school level holiday drive will also be held throughout the month of November/December. If you are in need of holiday assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me!

If you are interested in donating to the Union County Christmas Bureau, please drop off any donations at the Union County Human Services office at the address above from now until November 15th. A school level holiday drive will also be held throughout the month of November/December.

Parents!

Group counseling sessions for the 2nd 6 weeks are now open for enrollment. If you are interested in signing your child up for a group counseling sessions during his/her scheduled

Tickets for parents will be \$7 and can be purchased at the game. Families will be limited to two students per paying adult. See you Friday!

From the WDES PTO:

Grandparents Day was so much fun and we enjoyed meeting all of the wonderful Grandparents & Grandfriends! We hope you enjoyed your time together as much as we did. We want to thank Ms. Sebek, Mrs. Spicer and all of the incredible WDES staff for supporting the PTO and helping us to host this special event. A special thank you to Joy Misocky for planning the event and ensuring that it ran smoothly for everyone. We would also like to thank our parent volunteers: Trista Jorge, Heather Rudolph, Rhonda Mauney, Jenn Dolan, Sheri Garcia, Shelby Overland, Tiffany Powers, Heidi Hamilton, Kelly Fields, Heidi McDermaid, Ashley Wilson, Shawn Keller, Melissa Donnelly, Maleah Batchelor, Clara Lombana, Dora Russell, Rebecca Grant and Sandra Turner. You are all rock stars! We appreciate you sharing your time with us and helping to make this event a huge success. Thank you!

TIME TO GET LOUD AND PROUD! Race, Rock & Roar is just around the corner! All students will participate in this fun day of racing, rocking, and roaring with their class during the school day on **Friday, October 19th, 2018** (rain date - Friday, October 26th, 2018).

Race, Rock & Roar is part of our Capital Campaign to raise funds for our school's needs. The Weddington Elementary PTO does not organize individual fundraising events, i.e selling magazines, wrapping paper, etc. As our primary fundraiser for the fall/winter semester, Race, Rock & Roar donations directly benefit WDES with **100% of the funds going back to the school** and allows for school improvements that are above and beyond what can be covered in the annual school budget. More information on fundraising, prizes and Spirit Week for this event will be sent home next week. Keep an eye out for the information in your child's Monday folder!

Thanks to all the families that participated in the Chick-fil-A Spirit Night on September 11th!

lunch time, [please fill out the form here.](#)
Scheduled groups for the weeks of October 9th through November 20th are as follows:

Kindergarten: Figuring out Friendships, Dealing with Conflict, and Managing my Emotions

1st grade: Figuring out Friendships, Dealing with Conflict, and Managing my Emotions

5th grade: Building Self-Esteem and Anxiety Busters

This is the last week of 5th grade classroom counseling lessons! [Please visit the website to see all we have accomplished.](#) 4th graders will participate in classroom counseling lessons from October 9th through November 20th.

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out if you need anything!
Mrs. Jewell

Summer Reading Celebration:

This Friday, October 5th, we will celebrate our summer readers at our WDES Summer Reading Celebration. All students who read at least 2000 minutes should report to the Media Center during their recess time this Friday. Students will get to choose a book of their choice. The office staff has the reading logs and will contact teachers with the names of the Wildcats to send to the Media Center. We look forward to seeing our Wildcat readers on Friday!

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK!



The **Media Center** is looking for volunteers! Volunteer slots are available throughout the school day. This is a great volunteer role to get to know the school and students. Sign up at

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0E4FACAE2FA0FD0-wdes1.

The **WDES School Store** is now open. Students are invited to shop at the school store on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7:00 a.m. to 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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