



WILDCAT NEWS

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What's Happening.....

- Jan. 19....**School Holiday**
Jan. 20....6th, 7th & 8th Grade Dance Performance
3:30pm-4:30pm (Multipurpose Room)
Jan. 21....Beta Club Service Project – Room 305
3:20pm-4:30pm
Jan. 21....Basketball Away Games at East Wake – 3:45pm
Jan. 22....Basketball Home Games vs. Heritage – 3:45pm
Jan. 26....**Teacher Workday**
Jan. 28....**Rising 9th Grade Parent Info. Night – 7pm**
Jan. 29....Basketball Home Games vs. Zebulon – 3:45pm
(Hot Dog Supper, sponsored by the WMMS
Business Alliance, during games)
Feb. 5....Basketball Home Games vs. Durant – 3:45pm
Feb. 9....Basketball Home Games vs. Leesville – 3:45pm
Feb. 10...Beta Club Officer Meeting – 7:40pm
Feb. 10...**PTA Meeting, Media Center – 7:00pm**

New "Student Outreach" PTA Committee at WMMS

In order to serve students and their families at WMMS that find themselves going through an especially challenging economic time, we have begun a committee to begin offering them some much needed support. We will begin with offering a Clothing, School, and Hygiene Closet right on our WMMS campus. Before the holidays many staff and families of WMMS came together to send home some much needed items to some students, and we are simply working to expand that support throughout their time at WMMS. We all know folks that find themselves in need of some support, we all do from time to time, and with your help and support of this committee we can work to offer that assistance right here at our very school. In the coming weeks we will be sending out very "SPECIFIC" information on how you can help support this committee's efforts. We will need clothing, school supplies, and hygiene products. We will also need some of your TIME to organize and distribute this support. If you are someone who has been looking for this type of opportunity, please contact Stacy Symes at 848-2246 or Dawn Clark at 844-0415.

We would love to have you on our team!!!

Geography Bee WINNER!

Congratulations to 7th grader, Benjamin Bailey, for winning our school's National Geographic Geography Bee! All students took a preliminary test in their Social Studies classes. The top 3 scoring students from each team competed

in our school-wide Geography Bee on January 7th. Their names are listed in the newsletter that was sent by e-mail and also sent home with the students. The winner has submitted his qualifying test. The results will let us know whether he will continue on to compete at the state level in April. Winners from the state Bee are provided an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C. in May for the national competition and a chance at a \$25,000 scholarship. Way to go Ben!! WMMS is proud of you!

Valentine's for Troops

The Beta Club will be crafting cards and boxing care packages on Wednesday afternoon, January 21st. We have three servicemen, currently deployed to a warzone, who will receive the boxes and distribute the items to men and women in their units. If you would like to send items for our care packages, please have your student bring the items to the library, or you may drop them off in the front office to the attention of Patricia McGlynn or Diane Walters. Feel free to send: Beef Jerky, Slim Jims, Twizzlers, other candy that will not melt, DVDs, and magazines from the past few months that may be of particular interest to young men and women.

Math Tutoring Lab

Parents please remind your student(s) to take advantage of the math tutoring lab. Students can attend on a regular basis or on an as needed basis. Don't forget to sign up before 3:00 on the signup sheet at Mrs. Bonner's door. You must sign up each day that you want to attend. Come prepared with math materials.

Monday/Wednesday - 6th grade
Tuesday/Thursday - 7th/8th grade

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Katie Bonner at kbonner@wcpss.net

Attention 8th grade parents

It is time to begin thinking about 9th grade registration. West Millbrook will be hosting a Parent Information session on Wednesday, January 28, 2009 at 7pm in the Media Center.

Millbrook High School will be hosting a Curriculum Fair in their cafeteria on Thursday, February 5th from 6:30-7:45pm. This event will include representatives from all curriculum areas, guidance counselors and administrators. You will have the opportunity to ask questions about course recommendations, course sequencing and graduation requirements. For further information, contact your counselor, Mr. Wishon at 870-4063, or Millbrook High School student services at 850-8807.

High School Open House Dates 2009	
Apex High	Monday, March 2 Rising 9 th Grade Open House 7:00 pm
Athens High	Rising 9 th Grade Open House Thursday, February 26 th 6:00 PM
Broughton	Rising 9 th Grade Open House Monday, March 2 nd 7:00 PM
Cary High	Rising 9 th Grade Open House Thursday, February 19, 2009 at 6:00 PM Media Center
E Wake A and G	Small Schools Fair Thursday, February 12 th 6:00 – 8:00 PM
E Wake Engineering	Small Schools Fair Thursday, February 12 th 6:00 – 8:00
E Wake Health/Sci	Small Schools Fair Thursday, February 12 th 6:00 – 8:00 PM
E Wake Int Tech	Small Schools Fair Thursday, February 12 th 6:00 – 8:00 PM
Enloe High	Rising 9 th Grade Open House Tuesday, February 3 rd 6:00 PM
Fuquay-Varina High	Rising 9 th Grade Open House Thursday, March 5 th 6:30 PM
Garner High	9 th Grade Open House Wednesday, February 4 th 6:30-8:00
Green Hope High	Rising 9 th Grade Open House Tuesday, March 3 rd 6:30 PM
Holly Springs High	Rising 9 th Grade Open House Thursday, February 26 th 7:00 PM
Knightdale High (updated)	Rising 9 th Grade Open House Tuesday, March 3 rd 6:30 PM
Leesville High	Rising 9 th Grade Open House Thursday, March 5 th 7:00 – 8:30 PM
Middle Creek High	Registration Open House Tuesday, March 3 rd 7:00 PM
Millbrook High	9 th Grade Curriculum Fair Thursday, February 5 th 6:30 – 7:45 PM 9 th Grade Open House Thursday, May 21 st 6:00 – 8:30 PM
Panther Creek High	Rising 9 th Grade Open House Thursday, February 26 th 7:00 – 8:30 PM
Sanderson High	Wednesday, March 4 th Rising 9 th Grade Open House 7:00 pm
Southeast High	Rising 9 th Grade Open House Thursday, February 5 th

Wake-Forest-Rolesville High	Curriculum Fair for WF-RHS Thursday, March 5, 2009 6:30-7:30 pm for rising 9th graders 7:00-8:00 for rising 10 th -12 th graders
Wakefield High	Rising 9 th Grade Open House Wednesday, February 18 th 6:30 PM Main Campus

C.A.T.S. AWARDS

At WMMS we use a PBS (Positive Behavior Support) approach to discipline. This includes awarding tickets to students who "do the right thing". Each week on Friday we draw out 3 names in each grade level and these students may choose from various awards. Small gifts, athletic pass, dance pass, sit with a friend at lunch, eat lunch outside, office assistant for 1/2 day, or a homework pass are among the choices.

See the issue sent home with students or the copy sent to our parent e-mail groups for the list of winners.

We can always use more small prizes --if there are donations please drop them off at the front office.

Student Directories on Sale

The 2008-2009 WMMS Student Directory is still on sale at the front office. The cost is \$2 each. This is a great way to keep in touch with other students!

January's Character Trait is "Self Discipline".

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