



## What's Happening.....

- 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**
- Feb. 11...Beta Club General Meeting – 7:40am
- Feb. 11...Battle of the Brooks After School Party-3:30pm  
Battle of the Brooks Basketball Games (WMMS  
vs. East Millbrook) at Millbrook High School  
5:00pm
- Feb. 12...**Early Release Day**
- Feb. 13...”A” Honor Roll Breakfast – 8:30am – 9:15am
- Feb. 16...**Snow Make-up Day for January 20 absence**
- Feb. 18...Girls Basketball Home Game – 3:45pm
- Feb. 19...Boys Basketball Home Game – 3:45pm
- Feb. 26...Character Ed Luncheon
- Feb. 26...Pasta Dinner at Poe Elementary – 6:00pm-7:30pm

## March Madness

### HOOPS

March Madness is just around the corner. Hopefully, everyone has their calendar marked for Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> from 3:30 pm – 7:00 pm. The WMMS PTA has an evening full of fun, food and lots of basketball planned for all! The men's faculty team has already taken to the courts in the afternoons to hone their court skills to match them against our Wildcat



Boys. They are serious about their basketball! And our women's faculty... well, some will be cheerleaders and some will take to the practice court (hopefully soon) to sharpen their shooting claws for our Ladycats. Good luck...may the best team win!

The PTA has solicited area businesses for large “middle school appropriate” grand prizes to be auctioned off at March Madness. However, we would love for any parent that is able to donate small items such as 2 movie passes, handheld sports games, soccer balls, basketballs, small jewelry items, gift cards to area stores or restaurants (i.e., Dick's, Omega Sports, Goodberry's, Chili's, Moe's Diner, Chik-fil-a, etc.) that can be used for our \$1.00 raffle drawings the day of the game. The more items we have in house, the more winners there will be! Also, if you own a business or have a connection to a local business, celebrity or sports team, we would love to hear from you. What else...we will need lots of volunteers! If you can fill any of these needs, contact Jody Gross at [jodypta@aol.com](mailto:jodypta@aol.com) or call 846-0319. Small monetary donations will be accepted if you would like to help but are not sure what to send. We would love for everyone to be a part of this school-wide event, so donations are above and beyond just coming out to enjoy the evening.

## A Message from Principal Muttillio

Last week, I left you with a plea for volunteers to proctor tests during the month of February. This week, I would like to open by saying thank you to all the parents who stepped up to volunteer. We have filled all but one or two slots with parent proctors. Your generous response has allowed us to protect the instructional and planning time of teachers and teacher assistants.

The Wake County Board of Education approved the three-year reassignment plan this week. Unfortunately, several of our existing families have been reassigned to other schools. If your family has been reassigned to another existing school, you may apply for a transfer back to West Millbrook. Transfers for rising 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be granted automatically if applied for during this year's transfer request period, May 15<sup>th</sup> through June 1<sup>st</sup>. Please note that Wake County will not provide bus transportation to families requesting a transfer back to their original school. Additional information can be found on the Wake County Public Schools website.

Come out and attend the Battle of the Brooks Basketball game on February 11. The booster club is sponsoring an afterschool party on that day from 3:00-4:30 in the gym. Students who attend will play games, have a hot dog and drink, and will receive transportation to Millbrook High School for the 5:00 basketball games. Students are responsible for having their own rides home from Millbrook High School by 7:30. The \$8.00 ticket includes admission to the game. Tickets will be sold during all lunches from February 6-10.

On Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, West Millbrook and the PTA will host a Pasta Dinner from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at Poe Elementary. We know that we ask our families who live in neighborhoods around Poe to travel long distances out to West Millbrook, so this is one of our ways of saying thanks and bringing a little West Millbrook closer to you. If you are interested in attending the Pasta Dinner, please contact Assistant Principal Ms. Roberts by phone at 870-4055 or email at [jroberts@wcpss.net](mailto:jroberts@wcpss.net).

## Battle of the Brooks Basketball Party

February 11th

Plan to attend our Battle of the Brooks after school party from 3:00-4:30 p.m. We will have games, prizes, food and music. Your \$8.00 ticket includes admission to the party, a hot dog and drink, transportation to Millbrook High School, and admission to the games. Parents must pick up their student(s) at Millbrook High School. Tipoff is at 5:00 p.m.. Tickets will be sold during all lunches today, Monday and Tuesday. Any questions, please contact Stacy Symes 870-4067. See you there!

## Thank You !!!!

The Eagles Team would like to thank all the parents who sent in supplies for our chemical/physical change lab. We would also like to thank Mrs. Carroll and Ms. Niebauer for volunteering to help run this lab and Mrs. Reeves for helping coordinate the supplies and volunteers. Because of your support, we were able to run an awesome lab that provided an excellent learning experience!

Thanks! Ms. Koennecke

## Attention Dolphin Parents!

Ms. Hunt is teaching a unit on Space Exploration and the Solar System and needs interested and available parents to come in to her room to help out. Parents can stop in anytime in the next couple weeks to volunteer in her classroom. Thanks for your support and interest in our students' learning!

## Character Education

Last week nineteen students were chosen to attend the character education luncheon held by the PTA, for consistently demonstrating “**self discipline**” throughout the month of January. Students enjoyed the traditional pizza luncheon, as well as several foods honoring Chinese New Year. Students were able to sample egg rolls, fried rice, fruit and fortune cookies! Some students even ate with chop sticks! Principal Muttillio stopped by the “Character Cafe” to congratulate the students and hold our drawing for the t-shirt. The winner of this month’s exclusive character education t-shirt was Nykia Sharpe from the Tigers! Congratulation to all of our fine students named below for demonstrating self discipline. Way to go! Character does counts.

See our e-mail or paper version for a list of the students.

## THE CHARACTER TRAIT FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY IS INTEGRITY.

The Character Education Luncheon will be held on Thursday February 26.

If anyone would like to donate a bag of wrapped candy to be included in the prize bag for the 19 students being awarded each month, please drop it off at the front office and mark it Character Education. We would very much appreciate your donation!

## West Millbrook Outreach Committee

### “ WMMS supporting WMMS ”

For the month of February, “Have a heart for our NEW WMMS Outreach Program”.

We are putting together a Clothing, School Supply, and Hygiene Closet for our students with any and all of these needs. We have some very specific requests for some very specific needs.

Here’s how you can help.

If your child is in:

6<sup>th</sup> grade, please bring in any of the following SCHOOL SUPPLIES:

- Backpacks (new or gently used), paper, pencils, pens, spiral notebooks, and 1 inch binders.

7<sup>th</sup> grade, please bring in any of the following HYGEINE PRODUCTS:

- Feminine hygiene products (tampons and pads), deodorant (for girls and boys), toothbrushes, toothpaste, body wash, and shampoo.

8<sup>th</sup> grade, please bring in any of the following CLOTHING ITEMS:

- Jeans and Hoodies (new or gently used) in all middle school sizes. We can also use adult sizes as well.

ALL GRADE LEVELS are asked to donate very gently used or new sneakers and appropriate Middle School Shoes any time.

\*\*\* We will, of course, accept any of the items above from any grade level child.

\*\*\* Items will be collected in the Media Center the entire month of February.

\*\*\* Please know that “ALL” support collected will be placed directly in the

Thanks in advance for any support you can give your new outreach program.

Questions? Call Stacy Symes @ WMMS or Dawn Clark @ 844-0415

## 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".

See the e-mail version or paper version for a list of our CATS award recipients.

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**High School Open House dates can be found on the following page**

# Attention 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents

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

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