



WILDCAT NEWS

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May 8, 2009

What's Happening.....

- May 12.....Beta Club Officer Meeting – 7:40am
May 12.....Fine Arts Spring Fling: Chorus in Multipurpose Room - 6:00pm
Art & Spanish in Cafeteria and Media Center 6:30-7:30pm
Band/Orchestra in Gym – 7:00pm
May 12....General PTA Meeting – 6:45pm (before Band Concert)
May 13....Beta Club General Meeting – 7:40am
May 25....**Memorial Day – School Holiday**
May 28....Character Ed Luncheon
May 29....8th Grade Picnic
June 5.....8th Grade Dance – 7:00-9:30pm
June 9.....Eighth Grade Awards Assembly 8:45am - 9:45am
June 10...Sixth Grade Awards Assembly 8:45am-9:45am
Seventh Grade Awards Assembly 10:45am-11:45am



June 10th – Last Day of School !!!!

A Message from Principal Muttillo

Parents of 8th graders should have received information in the mail about the 8th grade dance, picnic, and awards ceremony. Please be sure to return the "volunteer & contribution" form with your student to their homeroom teacher. Thank you for your help in making these memorable events!

SPAN was updated on May 1st with fourth quarter grades. If you cannot see the 4th quarter grades, please contact the teacher directly. SPAN will be updated again and paper interim reports will be distributed on or prior to Friday, May 15th.

As another reminder to parents, the majority of the EOG testing will take place from Monday, May 18th through Wednesday, May 20th. We ask for your help in making sure students arrive at school with enough time to be ready to begin testing by 8:15 a.m. Late arrivals will not be tested that day. We also ask that you try to minimize scheduling any appointments prior to 12:30. If a student is picked up from school during an EOG testing session, he or she must retake the test. EOG testing is a stressful time for all, and we ask for your cooperation in making sure students arrive on time and stay until at least 12:30.

We are going to host an "EOG Bingo Night" for 6th grade students and their parents who sent their R.S.V.P. It will be held on **Monday, May 11th, from 3:15 to 5:15. Please note that this is a change in time different than what was communicated in last week's phone message.** Snacks will be provided. There will be prizes awarded for Bingo. If you have any questions please contact Mr. Daniels or Mrs. Bonner at kbonner@wcpss.net.

PTA Notes

Wow...it is hard to believe that we are in end of school year mode. Each day brings either meetings or emails to help plan or facilitate an end of year event or function for our students. I cannot thank the PTA committee chairs enough for their continued commitment to our kids. The last month of school will be filled with many more activities and events than the first month, but our VOLUNTEERS help make everything run smoother. This is the time of year when you, as a parent, will want to keep your eyes on the school calendar because the hustle and bustle in our hallways and on our athletic fields is never ending and you will not want to miss it!

Our staff was delighted with the many acts of kindness they received last week in recognition of teacher appreciation week. Thanks to everyone that sent in a card, flowers, candy or food for the luncheon last Friday. The week was a big success!

Do not forget to join us in the gym before the band concert, Tuesday, May 12th, at 6:45 p.m. for a brief General PTA meeting. We will distribute an end of year income/expense report, and we will elect our officers for the 2009-10 school year.

In closing, if you are still thinking about what you would like to do to help out next school year, please contact Anne Rajagopalan. She is our President –Elect for next year, and she would love to get you hooked up for next year. Her email address is srajagopalan@nc.rr.com.

Deadlines for 6th and 7th Grade Registration

- 7th grade students will be given 8th grade registration cards on Monday 5/11 to be returned no later than Thursday 5/14.
 - 6th grade students will be given 7th grade registration cards on Thursday 5/14 to be returned no later than Monday 5/18.
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Help Find Our Missing Books !!!!!

The library staff is preparing for the end-of-year inventory and we need your help, parents. We currently have **over 500 past due books** in the system. Some have been due since October. Please look around your homes and send or bring in any library books that you find. This will save your child lost book fines and will help us keep our books available for future Wildcats! Please call the library if you have questions (870-4067).

WMMS Fine Arts Students and Families

Your presence is requested on Tuesday, May 12th, at the WMMS Fine Arts Spring Fling. This exciting event consists of an Art and Spanish open house followed by the Band and Orchestra concert. *All Fine Arts students are required to attend their part of the evening. Art and Spanish students should plan to stay at the open house for about 30 minutes and are encouraged to attend the concert as well.*

During the open house you will have an opportunity to browse through the various art projects created by second semester's art students. You will also learn about the Hispanic culture through student projects created by Spanish students based on famous Hispanic people, holidays, and countries.

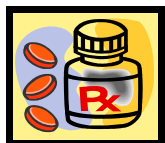
Also, we are looking for families to donate store bought cookies, snacks, drinks, and/or paper supplies. We will also need a few parents to volunteer to set-up, refill, and clean-up the snack area. Donations can be brought in advance and given to Ms. Symes in the Media Center, or brought to the courtyard area behind the Media Center that night.

See you May 12th at the Fine Arts Spring Fling!

8th Grade Dance is Coming Soon!

The 8th Grade Dance is Friday, June 5, from 7-9:30 PM. Parents of 8th graders should have received information in the mail about the dance, the 8th grade picnic, and the awards ceremony. Please be sure to return the "volunteer & contribution" form with your student to their homeroom teacher.

We will need plenty of people to help decorate for the dance on Thursday, June 4, and Friday, June 5. Please consider helping out at this fun event for at least one hour. If you have any questions, you can contact Jeanna Reeves at jeanna_reeves@hotmail.com.



Reminder to Parents

Please remember if you have any medication at the school for your child all medication must be picked up at the end of the school year. Any medication not picked up will be taken to the health department and destroyed. This includes over the counter medication, prescription, and emergency medications. Some of these medications are expensive so we highly encourage you to pick up the medication.

If your child will be receiving medication at school during the 2009/2010 school year you must bring the medication to the school at the beginning of next year. We do not hold medication from year to year. Do not forget you will need to provide a new physician's order signed by both you and the physician for any medication (including over the counter)

you wish your child to receive during school hours. The medication must come in the original container if it is over the counter and prescription medication must come in a clearly labeled pharmacy bottle with the correct administration information on the bottle.

If you have any questions, feel free to call Gayle Starkey, RN your School Based Public Health Nurse at 870-4070.

Art News Artspllosure

The following students were invited to participate in the Artspllosure Student Art Exhibition that will be held on May 16th and 17th. This award winning juried event takes place at Marbles Kids Museum in downtown Raleigh and the artwork will be seen by thousands of people. Congratulations to each of these students. Check the paper or e-mail edition for a list of the students.

Band Notes

Our final concert is at 7:00pm, Tuesday, May 12. All band students will perform at this concert. They should arrive in the band room by 6:30 that evening to warm up and tune. The proper attire is as follows: Boys wear black pants and a white shirt (tucked in) with a collar. Girls wear all black. (If wearing a skirt or dress, it should be long enough to cover the knees when sitting.)

Congratulations to KW, 8th grade euphonium player, for an outstanding performance with the North Carolina State Honor Band! She had a long weekend, rehearsing eight hours on Friday and Saturday, with the final concert on Sunday, April 26th. She performed with outstanding band students from all across North Carolina

If your band student is interested in achieving this level of excellence, please consider private music lessons. Contact Ms. Oliver for a list of teachers.

European Tour 2010

Mandatory Participant and Parent Meeting, Monday, May 18th, from 7-8 p.m. at Griffin Morehead's House. See Ms. Luxford for his address and more information.

People who have not enrolled, but are interested in finding out more information, are welcome to attend too.

Everyone should RSVP to Ms. Luxford by 5/15.

Fine Arts Spring Fling Schedule of Events

6:30-7:30 Art/Spanish Celebration
(Media Center)

and

Refreshments
(Courtyard)

6:45-7:00 PTA Meeting
(Gym)

7:00-8:00 Band/Orchestra Concert
(Gym)

West Millbrook Middle School 2008 – 2009 Athletic Banquet

- WHEN:** THURSDAY, MAY 28th @ 5:30PM
WHERE: WMMS CAFETERIA (Dinner) & GYMNASIUM (Awards)
COST: **\$7.00** ATHLETES, MANAGERS, AND SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN
\$8.00 FOR ADULTS
DINNER: RAGAZZI'S ITALIAN – CHICKEN PARMESAN, PASTA, BREADSTICKS,
SALAD, & BEVERAGE
ATTIRE: SEMI-FORMAL (NO SHORTS PLEASE)

DINNER WILL BE SERVED IN THE CAFETERIA STARTING AT 5:30 PM. AFTER DINNER WE WILL BE MOVING FROM THE CAFETERIA TO THE GYMNASIUM FOR THE AWARDS PRESENTATION. **ALL ATHLETES WILL SIT IN THE RESERVED SECTION OF THE BLEACHERS TO AWAIT THE DISTRIBUTION OF CERTIFICATES AND AWARDS. THIS WILL HELP SPEED UP THE PROCESS.**

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THE ATTACHED RESERVATION FORM AND YOUR PAYMENT TO COACH CALHOUN **BEFORE FRIDAY, MAY 22nd**. WHEN PAYMENT IS MADE, YOUR NAME WILL BE ADDED TO A RESERVATION LIST THAT WILL BE AT THE DOOR ON THE EVENING OF THE BANQUET. **THE DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS FRIDAY, MAY 22nd**. IF YOU DO NOT MAKE RESERVATIONS BY THE DEADLINE AND PLAN ON ATTENDING, THE COST IS \$10.00 PER PERSON AT THE DOOR.

ALL CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO: WMMS BOOSTER CLUB

* IF YOU ARE NOT PLANNING ON HAVING DINNER, THERE IS NO COST TO ATTEND THE AWARDS CEREMONY. PLEASE ARRIVE TO THE GYMNASIUM BY 6:40PM.

Please return with payment to: **COACH CALHOUN BY FRIDAY, MAY 22nd**

Athletes Name: _____

NUMBER OF RESERVATIONS:

_____ @ **\$7.00** (ATHLETE, MANAGER, SCHOOL-AGED CHILD)... \$ _____

_____ @ **\$8.00** (ADULT/RELATIVE)..... \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Baseball ~ Basketball ~ Football ~
~ Soccer ~
Summer Sports Camp Info

BASEBALL

What: Northern Wake Baseball Camp

Who: Ages 9 - 14

When: June 22 – 26 (Mon.—Thurs. 9 - 4 Fri. 9 – Noon)

Equipment: Bring a glove, bat, helmet, catching gear or any other equipment you feel you may need. Bats, helmets, and catching gear are available for use. It is preferred that campers wear baseball attire but not required. (i.e. Baseball pants, cleats, hat)

Session Topics: Hitting, Fielding, Throwing, Base Running/Sliding, Positional Play, Agility Test

*Each athlete will receive a t-shirt and have opportunities to earn extra awards

BASKETBALL

What: Wildcat Basketball Camp

Who: Rising 6th gr. - Rising 8th gr. (Co-ed)

When: June 26 – July 3 (Mon.—Thurs. 9 - 4 Fri. 9 – Noon)

Equipment: T-shirt, shorts, court shoes

Session Topics: Individual ball handling drills, passing, shooting, offense/defense team play

*Each athlete will receive a t-shirt and have opportunities to earn extra awards.

FOOTBALL

What: Wildcat Football Camp

Who: Rising 6th gr. - Rising 8th gr.

When: August 10 – 14 (Mon. - Fri. 8 - 11:30 am)

Equipment: T-shirt, shorts, cleats (not mandatory), indoor shoes, thermos

Session Topics: Stance, blocking, passing, catching, kicking/punting, agility tests, conditioning drills and positional play

*Each athlete will receive a t-shirt and have opportunities to earn extra awards.

SOCCER

What: Wildcat Soccer Camp

Who: Rising 6th gr. - Rising 8th gr. (Co-ed)

When: August 10 – 14 (Mon. - Fri. 8 - 11:30 am)

Equipment: T-shirt, shorts, cleats, indoor shoes, shin guards
Session Topics: Ball handling, dribbling, passing, shooting, offense / defense concept

*Each athlete will receive a t-shirt and have opportunities to earn extra awards.

Coaches:

Dan Calhoun - Baseball, Football

Matthew Hrbek - Basketball, Soccer

Ron Miterko - Baseball

Chad Navin – Football

Costs:

Baseball, Basketball \$180 / wk.

Football, Soccer \$120 / wk.

**Multiple camp discount—subtract \$40 for each Additional camp

**Multiple children discount—subtract \$20 for each child per camp

Questions? Contact Dan Calhoun 870-4072

Mission: To provide an opportunity for our youth to gain knowledge and experience in a variety of sports offered at the middle school level.

See the WMMS.net website and click on Summer Sports Camps for a downloadable brochure with registration form and fees.