



WMMS Wildcat News

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What's Happening....

October 13	PTA Board Meeting, Media Center, 7 p.m.
October 21	Early Release Day, 12:30 p.m.
October 23	School Dance (all grades)
October 28	Spirit Week begins
October 29	Character Education Lunch (Respect), 12 noon
October 30	Teacher Workday
November 4	"Battle of the Brooks" football game, 6 p.m.
November 9	Parent Education - Cyber Safety, 7 p.m.

PTAs To Square Off in Own "Battle of the Brooks"!

Spirit Week and the big, bad "Battle of the Brooks" will be here soon! The Battle of the Brooks is a long-time tradition at WMMS. It is a football game pitting West Millbrook against rival East Millbrook on "neutral turf," Millbrook High School.

West Millbrook has challenged East Millbrook to another Battle: a contest of PTA membership numbers. The school with the greater number of families who join PTA will win a trophy! And the school with the most faculty and staff members who join PTA will win a tailgate lunch catered by the losing school!

To join the PTA, just fill out the membership forms available in the front office or WMMS website and return it with your tax-deductible payment by mail: WMMS PTA Membership, 8115 Strickland Road, Raleigh, NC 27615. Or you can send in your form and check with your student to his/her homeroom teacher.

Please note: Each school's PTA is a separate organization, so your PTA membership at another school DOES NOT support West Millbrook. PTA Memberships last for one school year.

Join Us in the Walk to Cure Diabetes!

This year, West Millbrook Middle School students will have the opportunity to support the JDRF Walk To Cure Diabetes.

Type 1, also known as Juvenile Diabetes strikes children suddenly and makes them dependent on injected or pumped insulin for life. With your help we can find a cure!

For the next four weeks, The Builders Club will be selling JDRF sneakers for \$1 (6th grade-blue, 7th grade-yellow, 8th grade-red and faculty/staff-green).

Let's walk together to find a cure for our fellow WMMS students and millions more like them who live with this disease!

WMMS Student Art Featured At NC State Fair!

Several WMMS students will have artwork at the North Carolina State Fair October 15 through October 25. The list of students can be found on the parent e-mail version or in the WCN sent home by students.

Come by the exhibit and see our talented students' work!

Attention Team Dolphins Parents!

We need your help. Our team treasure chest is running low. We use our team treasure chest to reward positive behavior choices every Friday through a drawing of CATS tickets.

If you are able to donate small prizes including school supplies, candy, small toys, etc., please send them in with your child. We greatly appreciate all of your support for our team. Sincerely, Ms. Reik, Ms. Hunt, Ms. Huber and Ms. Sabb

Teacher "Pay for Performance" Survey Now Online

The District 3 Board Advisory Council (BAC) has launched our first survey to collect parent, teacher and administrator opinions about a Pay for Performance program in Wake County.

In these programs, teachers are financially rewarded for increased performance in designated areas of their job, such as obtaining additional training, working in hard to staff schools or subjects, and student academic gain. There are only a few districts in the country actively using

these programs, but the concept of rewarding teachers financially for a job well done is growing in popularity.

Our survey is very short and will take less than five minutes to complete. There is a comments box at the end for you to voice questions or concerns. The results will be discussed at the November 9th BAC meeting at Baileywick Elementary and will be summarized in a November Bylines article.

To access the survey, go to:

<http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/?p=WEB229Q9AH3NGK>

You may also email me at koscielniak@nc.rr.com and I will send you the link. Thank you for taking the time to do this survey! Leslie Koscielniak, WMMS parent representative to District 3 BAC

PBS Team Really, Really Needs Your Support!

The Positive Behavior Support team is seeking prizes of any type to reward students for demonstrating positive/appropriate behavior on campus. Things like school supplies, candy, small food items, cans of soda, \$1 coupons/free fries for fast food chains, or anything you can think of would be welcomed and greatly appreciated.

The weekly prize drawings are a big motivator for students, and your help is what makes it possible for PBS to keep the drawings in operation. Please bring your donations to Lynn Midthun in the front office. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Getty (kgetty@wcpss.net) or Katie Bonner (kbonner@wcpss.net).

PBS thanks you in advance and is grateful for your support!

Activity Buses Available After School

West Millbrook has two buses that leave our campus at 5:15 and drop students off at limited stops in their neighborhoods. These buses typically arrive by 6:15.

If the closest stop to you is greater than a quarter of a mile, we recommend that you meet your child at the bus stop to ensure a safe journey from the stop to your home.

The stops are listed below and are also posted on our website. Any changes to these routes will be posted on-line.

Southside Bus

- Poe Elementary
- Joe Louis & Merrywood
- Navaho Drive & Benson
- Boniville & New Hope
- Jimmy Carter Way
- Beverly and Friar Tuck

Northside Bus

- Brassfield Elementary
- Pleasant Union Elementary
- Woods Reams Apt (off of Sandy Forks)
- Fiesta Way (off of Falls of Neuse)
- Brandy Apple & Sawmill
- Litchford & Osprey
- Litchford & Constitution
- Green Downs & Reins

It's No Fuss...Link Your Store Cards to WMMS!

Did you know there's an easy way to help raise money for our school? The PTA calls this "no fuss" fundraising because there is nothing for us to do except sit back and wait for a check from the businesses that support education.

Here's how it works. You can link your Harris Teeter and Food Lion cards with West Millbrook's school number and then shop! Everyone should RELINK their Harris Teeter and Food Lion card each school year:

- Harris Teeter: ID# 1986
- Food Lion: Register your MVP card online or by calling 1-800-210-9569

If you shop Office Depot for all your office and school supplies and let them know at the check out register to link your purchase, we get up to 1% of your total purchase!

If you love to shop at Target, you can also link your card to WMMS! Also consider getting a Target Visa or a Target check card and linking it to WMMS. Because Target has everything a family needs, our school wide purchases could lead to thousands of "no fuss" dollars for our school.

Please sign up today! If you have questions, call Jody Gross at 919-846-0319.

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Be sure to regularly visit the WMMS web site at <http://www.wmms.net> and the WMMS PTA site at <http://www.wmms.net/parents/pta> for more news, information and forms!