



WMMS Wildcat News

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What's Happening...

- Nov. 9-Dec. 11** School Food Drive
- November 16** Basketball Tryouts begin
- November 17** Fine Arts & Spanish Fall Fling
- Nov. 25-29** Thanksgiving Holiday
- December 2** Early Release, 12:30 p.m.
- December 12** WMMS Holiday Marketplace

Annual Food Drive Is Underway!

The Student Council and Outreach are partnering with the Food Bank of N.C. for their annual fall food drive. This year, the drive will be enhanced with a contest between the grade levels. The grade who brings in the most canned goods between November 9th and December 11th will win a popcorn and movie party in the multipurpose room on Friday December 18th!

Paper bags with a list of suggested items to donate were sent home to parents the week of November 9th. Parents also may click on the link posted on www.wmms.net to make monetary donations and help us to raise our goal of \$500.

Please help support your school and community during this season of giving. Thank you!

WMMS Holiday Hugs "Snowflakes" Coming Soon!

What are these "snowflakes," you say? It never snows this time of year in N.C.! Well, it will for sure this year!

The WMMS Outreach Program is bringing an opportunity for WMMS families to give a little Holiday Cheer to WMMS Students. On December 1st, right after Thanksgiving Break, you will be able to take a "snowflake" off the Main Office Window and give a gift to a WMMS Student before Winter Break.

Each of the 50 snowflakes represents one student in this program that could benefit from your Holiday Spirit. When you come to pick up your snowflake, you will receive a gift bag, tissue paper, and directions for your part in this program.

Please look for these Snowflakes and this opportunity to support your WMMS Outreach Program and our WMMS students. Thanks for your past and continued support!

Magnet Program Open Houses Are On Nov. 18

Are you curious about the International Baccalaureate Program that will be offered at Millbrook High School? If so, Millbrook High will be hosting two IB Magnet open houses this Wednesday, November 18th. The sessions are scheduled for 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. The same information will be offered at both sessions.

There will be an informational meeting with question and answer session as well as small group tours of the school. The daytime session will also allow parents to observe actual classroom instruction. For additional information, contact the IB Magnet Coordinator at MHS, Loren Baron, at 501-7952 or lbaron@wcpss.net.

Attention 7th Grade Duke TIP Students!

The application deadline for 7th grade students in the Duke TIP program is fast approaching! Paper applications for students testing in January or February must be postmarked by November 20th, and the deadline for on-line applications is December 7th. For questions, contact Mrs. Kelly at 870-4057 or rjkelly@wxpss.net.

Character Education Luncheon Honors Students

Seventeen WMMS students were honored at the Character Education Pizza Luncheon on Thursday, October 22 for consistently demonstrating "Respect" during the entire month. Students attended a luncheon sponsored by the PTA. They enjoyed a great lunch outside at the "Character Cafe". The weather was perfect.

In keeping with the "Octoberfest" theme, students were introduced to some foods they might find in Germany such as brauts, strudel, cream puffs and root beer. They also received a gift bag with small prizes and a few coupons to be redeemed at area eateries.

Dr. Mutillo attended the luncheon and congratulated each and every student for being respectful.

Congratulations to all of the honored students. The entire list was printed in the paper copy sent home on 12/16 and will be included in the e-mail version.

Thank you to Chik-fil-A at Six Forks and the Great Harvest Bread Company for donating coupons each month and supporting our Character Education Program.

The character trait for the month of November is "Courage."

Wanted: Your Pictures!

Do you have pictures from this school year to share with the yearbook or end-of-the-year Slideshows? Email them in the highest resolution possible to: WMMSYearbook@ncteacher.org

WMMS European Tour!

Want to travel to Greece, Italy, and Spain? There is still room on the European Tour Trip scheduled for June 2010. See Mrs. Luxford in Trailer 5 for more information! You do NOT have to be Spanish student to go on the trip!!

PBS Thanks All Who Have Donated!

Student feedback indicates that the PBS weekly prize drawings are a big motivator for students. Because of your generosity, PBS has been able to keep the drawings in operation!

We welcome prizes of any type to reward students for demonstrating positive/appropriate behavior on campus. Things like school supplies, candy, small food items, sports drinks, coupons for fast food chains, or anything you can think of would be helpful.

If you would like to make a contribution, please bring your donation 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).

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

Reaching Out to the Community!

Angel Food Ministries Comes to the Triangle Area. Angel Food Ministries, a non-profit organization that offers groceries at a discounted price, has partnered with several churches in Raleigh and the triangle area to provide families with quality food for less. There is no income level requirement to participate and US Food Stamps are accepted. For more information and to locate your nearest host site, visit

<http://www.angelfoodministries.com> or contact your WMMS grade level counselor.

Straight A Students Honored!

On November 13, WMMS honored its students who earned straight As for the first quarter - all 180 of them! The students enjoyed muffins, doughnuts and other goodies as they celebrated their success. CiCi's Pizza generously donated coupons for the students.

We are very proud of all our students and will be celebrating again in February, so keep up the good work!

School Photo Retake Dates Set

Any WMMS students who missed picture day or needs a retake can visit Lifetouch Prestige Portraits on the following dates:

- December 1, 5pm - 7pm
- December 9, 5pm - 7pm

No appointment time is necessary. Students will be photographed on a "first come, first served" basis.

Lifetouch Prestige Portraits (919-881-8361) is located at 5108-B Oak Park Road in Raleigh.

Directions: Heading west on Glenwood Avenue, drive about one and one-half miles past Crabtree Valley mall towards Durham. A landmark will be Rooms to Go on your right. The next stoplight will be Holly Ridge Dr. At the light, turn left. As soon as you turn left, you will need to make an immediate right turn onto the service road that runs in front of the shopping center. Take the next left onto Oak Park Rd. Prestige Portraits will be on your left directly behind the shopping center.

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