



# WGES NEWS

# May 2010

Dear Parents/ Guardians:

Our school district is participating in a summer school program run by BOCES again this year. Summer school at the Watkins Glen site will run from June 6 to August 16, Monday through Thursday, 8 AM to 12 PM. This is offered at no cost to the families in our school district. Watkins Glen students are also eligible to attend summer school at other school sites in the BOCES region, if students are out of the district for the summer. As an example, students may be staying with relatives in Corning or Horseheads for the summer, and may attend summer school programs in those districts at no charge. Our district will also offer an on-site childcare program that will run in conjunction with summer school. The program will be open from 12 PM to 4 PM on the days summer school is in session, for elementary school age students. There is a cost for the childcare program, however. Tuition will be \$160 for the summer if paid in advance, or \$40 per week. Applications for both programs are available in the elementary school's main office, or by calling our school at 535-3250.

If you know of a child in the district turning age 4 by December 1, that child is eligible for our Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program. We will continue to accept applications until all 56 spots are filled. Please call Laurel McIntyre at the elementary school if you are in need of an application.

Our Read for Speed Program will officially end on May 14. To date, students have done a great job of reading over 16,000 books. Our winning classes will be heading up to the WGI race track in early June to redeem some of their rewards. I want to thank everyone for their continued support of our community-sponsored reading program.

Our PTO is asking for volunteer help for the Elementary Fun Day scheduled for June 9. Please contact Kathy Estes at the Middle School, 535-3230, if you are able to help on this day.

Rod Weeden, Principal


## School Library News

With spring here it is sometimes difficult to find time to read, but make reading a priority by trying the following:

 **Read at bedtime.**



 **Read directions such as recipes or craft projects together.**

 **Take advantage of waiting times such as at the dentist or doctor's office to read with your children.**

The library would like to remind parents to have children renew or return books once a week.

We would also like to thank all our parents for a terrific book fair. Our library made over \$5,000 on the sale to support new book purchases.

We would especially like to thank our book fair volunteers Carol Yuhasz, Kathy Overbeck, and Steve Gillette. Without these volunteers, we could not have a book fair. Thanks to all for their support.

### **Keep Reading!**

Kathy Gillette and Vanessa Overbeck

## **PTO News**

**Next PTO Meeting** – May 12<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 PM in the ES Library.

**Educator of the Year Award** – Please send in any nominations by May 21st.

**New Officers**- The slate of new officers will be voted on during this meeting.

## **Important Dates:**

- May 3: Superintendents Conference Day – No School
- May 4: Board of Education Meeting 6:30 in the HS Library
- May 12: PTO Meeting, Library, 5:30 PM
- May 13: 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Colonial Day (Paul Stillman, Artist in Residence)
- May 14: Kdg Swimming Unit Ends
- May 14: Early Dismissal, K-12
- May 17: Learn Not to Burn Graduation
- May 18: Budget Vote & BOE Member Election, 9 AM–8 PM
- May 24: BOE Workshop 5:45 PM in the HS Library
- May 24-Jun 2: Kindergarten Screening
- May 31: Memorial Day Observed – No School



## **School Budget Vote**

**Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**9:00 AM to 8:00 PM**

**Watkins Glen High School  
District Lobby**

