



WGES NEWS

March 2011

Principal's Talk

Dear Parents/ Guardians:

There are quite a few events taking place during the month of March. Please look for specific flyers coming home from each building with information on these various events. Items of note include the Music in Our Schools Month concert scheduled for March 8th at 7 PM in the high school auditorium. Spring pictures are scheduled for the 9th. Please remember that Friday, March 11, is a half-day for all students K-12, with elementary school dismissal at 12:05.

The WG PTO, along with the Faculty Assoc., is sponsoring a free movie for students (*with the donation of 1 item for an animal at the shelter*) at the Glen Theater, from 2-4, on March 11; popcorn & a drink will be provided. This is a way to help our students learn about the value of giving. Please look over the flyer explaining this event. A PTO-sponsored roller-skating party is scheduled for Saturday the 12th at the Community Center from 3-5:30 PM for Pre-K – 4th grade students only. The entry free has been reduced to only \$3.00 for our students.

The 6-week swimming unit starts on March 14 for grades 1-4. Please make sure your child is prepared with a swim suit and towel on their normal gym days.

Our school is holding its first science fair on Saturday, March 19th in the elementary cafeteria area. Students will be asked to leave their science project up for viewing until the end of the day, Monday, March 21st. This is going to be a great event with the help of many school volunteers.

Because of the snow day on February 25, we have rescheduled "Pajama Day" for Friday, March 4. We will hold our school's next spirit day, "Hat Day" on March 25.

The senior class play opens on March 25, and runs the entire weekend. Parents are welcome to visit their child's swim class during the week of March 28-April 1. As you can see, this is a very busy month with lots to do.

Respectfully yours,

Rod Weeden, Principal



Pickups and bus changes should occur before 2 PM

At dismissal time, our job is to make sure all children get home safely. Parents making last minute changes close to dismissal time cause confusion, and hold up bussing for other students, as we do checks as to why students are not going where they are scheduled to go. We can use your help by creating a pick up plan that is consistent, and by sticking with the plan as it is known early in the morning.

Reading Corner



Tips to Encourage Reading

Encourage your child to read aloud to younger siblings, cousins, neighbors, or even stuffed animals.

We are currently running our Read for Speed program that offers lot of rewards and individual recognition. Encourage your child to participate by ether taking AR quizzes or by helping your child to fill in their reading log in grades Pre-K – 1st. Please check out our website for updated building-wide reading stats and get involved with your child's reading. You are their biggest role model.

Daylight Savings Time

Please remember to spring ahead! Adjust your clocks one hour ahead on

Sunday, March 13th.



Important Dates:

- March: Music in Our Schools Month
- March 4: Pajama Day (*rescheduled date*)
- March 7: BOE Mtg., 6:30 PM, HS
- March 7-11: UPK Applications Accepted
- March 8: Music Concert, 7 PM, HS Auditorium
- March 9: Spring Pictures
- March 9: PTO Meeting ES 5:30 PM
- March 11: Early Dismissal (12:05 ES)
- March 11: Free Movie at Glen Theater, 2-4
- March 12: PTO Roller Skating Party 3-5:30
- March 14: Swim Unit Begins (Gr 1-4)
- March 16: St. Patrick's Day Spud Run
- March 19: Science Fair
- March 21: SDM Meeting
- March 21: BOE Workshop @ HS 6:30 PM
- March 25: Hat Day
- March 25-27: Senior Class Play Open
- Mar 28-31: Swim Unit Open House
- March 29: Town Hall Meeting on Budget & Future of the Middle School, 6-9:30, ES Auditorium

