Woodside Pride
May 10, 2019

Weekly Welcome

Dear WIS Families,

**Great job students!** Students have continued to work hard this week on the SBAC tests. Next week, we will finish up with the math performance task and any make-ups that need to be completed.

Sincerely,
Mr. Chris Butwill            Mrs. Ramsey Binnington
WIS Principal                   WIS Assistant Principal

In the Classroom

3rd Grade
Third graders finished their second round of SBAC testing; this week focusing on math. Additionally, we finished up our Unit 6 in our math curriculum, and still have time to squeeze in one more unit before the end of the year! Unit 7 will focus on stretching student knowledge of multiplication and division. We will be doing an activity with egg cartons, so if you have any spare egg cartons at home, please send them into school with your child. We would much appreciate the materials! Students have started identifying ingredients of folktales this week, and very soon we will move on to fairy tales. Next week, students will be taking their final STAR math and reading tests for the year. Finally, the third grade is excited to announce our field trip to the Eli Whitney Museum on May 22nd or 28th depending on the class groupings. Please keep an eye out for the field trip permission form, which was sent home earlier this week. There is NO COST for this trip (Thanks, PTO!), but please return the sign permission slip by May 20th.

4th Grade
This has been a busy and exciting week for 4th grade. The field trips to the Webb-Deane-Stevens Museum were a great success. Did you smell the lovely lavender of the sachets they made, or see the results of your student’s first attempt at using a quill? Did you hear about how the Wethersfield Meeting House is over 250 years old, but has always been in use. Did your student share about how generous the people of Wethersfield were when their neighbors up in Boston were struggling after Boston Harbor was closed due to the Boston Tea Party? Did they describe the sick room or privy? Did they tell you about the toys they got to try out or how thankful they are for the chores they have today, rather than what kids had to do 250 years ago? We learned so much! The fourth grade team would like to thank our chaperones for helping the days run so smoothly, the PTO for helping defray

Nurse’s Corner
Mrs. Gillian Hanson, RN BSN

With the weather getting hotter and field day coming up, please remember to dress your child appropriately for the weather. Your child can bring in water to drink (along with something to drink with lunch), especially if it is hot.

Notes from Band
Mr. Dave McCabe

In the band room, we are working very hard in preparation for our upcoming Spring Concert! 4th and 5th grade band students are continuing to make tremendous progress and persevere, even in the middle of this busy time of the year! In looking forward to next year, I would greatly encourage any student interested in joining the band program to consider joining part in the **Cromwell Summer Music Camp**, which is a fantastic opportunity for students to learn a new
instrument and get a head start on the school year! Details and more information can be found online through the Cromwell Parks and Recreation website, in the brochure that went home last week, or from Ms. Giuffre and myself.

More Pics from Woodside

5th Grade
This week in fifth grade flew by! Students worked hard on their Math SBAC tests and enjoyed some well deserved break time - both in the classroom and outside. We continue to work on Westward Expansion in reader's and writer's workshop, becoming experts on one or more topic areas in order to write an informative chapter(s). Some classes are getting ready for unit 7 in math - division and decimals. In social studies, classes are learning about life on the Oregon Trail and other important events throughout Westward Expansion. Water phenomenon is still our focus in science. Students are taking virtual field trips to different parts of the world to experience fascinating water phenomena.

Upcoming Events

- May 24 - Early Dismissal
- May 27 - No School
- May 28 - Band and Chorus Concert
- May 30 - Field Day (rain date - June 3)
- June 11 - 5th Grade Picnic
- June 12 - Step Up Day
- June 13 Last Day of School

Questions, Comments or Concerns?
Please contact us! We want to hear from you!

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