

Whitefield Wildcat Weekly



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Principal's Message

Whitefield Cares!...Continues

Last Tuesday the Whitefield Cares! Group held their second meeting here at WHES. Once again, we had an excellent turnout and a great cross-section of individuals from across the community. The goals of this group are many but the prime focus is on identifying the needs of the community, for all age groups, and then creating a comprehensive list of resources that are available here in this community. The desire to support members of the town of Whitefield in need is very strong within this group. It is both energizing and gratifying to be a part of Whitefield Cares!

Office: Please remember to send your child to school with a note if they are going to a different destination on the bus after school. It helps to avoid last minute phone calls to the school, which can make dismissal very chaotic. We appreciate the advance notice and thank you for not calling with these changes after 2:00 p.m.

Food Pantry: Please consider donating, we have have multiple families that need our help.

Health: Remind your children to wash their hands frequently!!

Sports: Don't forget, you can get some awesome, personalized Whitefield Wildcat gear at Elliot Office Products. Give them a call today! Thank you for your support!

<http://elliottofficeproducts.azurewebsites.net/DownloadableContent/WhitefieldWildcatSwag.pdf>

Kitchen: Happy October to you all. We are having some cooler days, so hot vegetables are starting to pop up on our menu. They will be offered in addition to the salad bar. This month is Apple month and we have fresh apples from Bailey's Orchard available each day. They are a great tasting apple and are packed with vitamins and nutrients, which a growing body needs.

I would again like to thank the parents for their support of the nutrition program here at Whitefield School. We do our best to serve nutritional meals that the kids will enjoy. Thank you.

If you haven't filled out your application for free or reduced, please do so. This application can be filled out on line or we can send one home to you. If you have any questions regarding this application, please feel free to contact me here at school. Get out and enjoy the beautiful colors of fall!

Click below to check out the Whitefield School Collaborative Problem-Solving Project!

<http://www.svrsu.org/o/whes/page/whitefield-collaborative-problem-solving-project>

Grades Pre K- 2

Pre K: This week in Pre K we were very busy! Our week ended with a visit from the Whitefield Fire Department for Fire Prevention Week. We were able to see a fire truck up close and learn about fire safety. We also had Read With Me!

Beck: The K Krew LOVES to receive mail! If you are going on a trip (near or far) please consider sending us a postcard of where you have been! We will add the postcard to our map! Our address is:

Mrs. Beck's K Krew
Whitefield School
164 Grand Army Road
Whitefield, ME 04353

Lamothe: The first graders are making steady gains right across the board! Our focus this week is on the short sound of u. We have started adding a few beginning blend sounds to words. In writing, the students are working on personal narratives

Grades 3-5

Northrup: The kiddos did an amazing job on their first EDM assessment. We will begin chapter 2 after the long weekend. In science, we are working on rainforests, tundras, and grasslands. We also reviewed taking A.R. (Accelerated Reader) quizzes on the ipad. Enjoy the long weekend with your families!!! Student of the Week- Madyson Wish List- paper towels

Trask: The class is reading, "Little House in the Big Woods". They are discussing parts of the story as they read to improve comprehension. When they finish the book, there will be a vocabulary test over

that can recount two or more events with detail and closure. They LOVE to be authors! We continue to practice writing all our upper and lower case letters along with our first and last names. In reading we have been working on describing characters, settings and major events in stories. In Math our focus has been on mentally finding 10 more and 10 less to a 2-digit number. Happy Birthday to Graham. Star Student: Johnathon.

S. Brewer: We are becoming such great writers. We are stretching out our small moments and adding lots of details to our writing. In math we are working very diligently on addition facts. We had our Pet Adoption Day on Monday. Ask a second grader to tell you all about it. Thank you to the families that sent in classroom donations. We are still in need of small plastic baggies. Thank you in advance!

important words found in the book.

M. Brewer: We had some exciting visitors in our classroom on Tuesday - red worms! Students observed worms to discover the critical role they play in decomposing dead material and releasing nutrients into the soil. We observed their habits and then released them into our garden. Special thanks to Holden and Bella W. for being my worm "handlers".

Middle School News

McCormick: It has been a busy start to the year. We are very excited that our greenhouse project is getting underway. We should be able to put the new hoop house up very soon. A huge shout out and thanks goes to Mr. Davis and Ben Marcus for their help and hard work in the greenhouse program.

Capen: Hello from middle school ELA! This week we are finishing our "Who Am I?" projects! What an accomplishment! The students have been so proud to print and compile the pages together to see all of the hard work they have done as a finished product. I'm anxious to read them in hopes of getting to know them better.

In reading we continue to look at characterization in our books. More specifically, this week we have looked at an author's craft and intention when writing about characters, and we have been looking at setting and how a setting's mood can influence a character.

A reminder that each student should be reading 30 minutes a night. The more children read, the better readers they will be!

Crowell:

6th graders have been working hard citing sources and supporting their claim of how people came to the America's for our Social Studies class.

Math students in 6th grade are working with the surface area of three dimensional shapes.

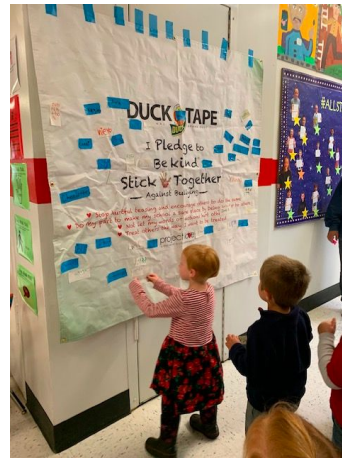
7th graders are reviewing their unit on scale factor and scaled drawings. They will have a special visitor next week before their unit test.

8th graders are exploring missing angle measures in triangles, polygons and various lines with transversals. They have also created their own tessellations.

Resource News

Brann: K-5 students are doing a great job getting their homework completed and returned to school. Grades 6-8 students are utilizing their 2 study halls per week. Please be sure to complete homework at home, as well. Have a wonderful long weekend!

Grady/Richards: Did you know that Lexia and Dreambox are available to your children while at home? Just go to the Whitefield Elementary website and go under student resources. They may already know their username and password. If not, send us an email and we will get it to you. Have a wonderful weekend.



Say no to BULLYING!

Art - Learning Commons - Music - PE

Martin: We are in full swing with lots of projects nearing the end in the next couple weeks. When you come into the building sneak a peek at some of the amazing work the kids are creating.

Howard: What a great week of STEM Challenges - some classes did a Fly a Rocket (using tape, straw and paper) and Build a Teepee big enough for one student to sit in (using newspaper and tape). Students had to plan, create, evaluate and work as a team for both. They had some creative ideas - ask them. Thank you again to those who donated consumable items to the MakerSpace room.

Third and Fifth grades completed Media Balance and began discussing how to create safe passwords when on-line. We will be learning how important it is to keep information personal and private next week.

Please click the following link to go to the Whitefield Town Library's homepage! <https://whitefieldlibrary.org/>

Simpson: 5-8 Parents!!! Please see the attached Fat Tire Bike Parent Letter.

Morgan: We had a great first week of beginning band with lots of lovely sounds! If any students would still like to join the beginning band they need to return a band slip to me. Feel free to contact me via email if you have any questions.

Have a great weekend!