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<u>Principal's Message</u>

Families with Two Households...We Need Your Help

We have a number of families with parents having two different households (living apart) and we need to make sure that we have all of the contact information so that duplicate information can be appropriately sent to both parents. Parents of students have a right to access both school records, reports and school information unless there is a court decree denying these rights. Often, we have only the information of the parent with whom the child primarily resides and not the other parent. When that occurs the non-custodial parent can be left out of a lot of pertinent information. Consequently, we are asking anyone who might be a non-custodial or shared custodial parent and would desire to receive duplicates of all standard school information to contact Amy Perkins, WHES Administrative Assistant, to make sure that we have all of your contact information. When you check in with Amy you can also indicate your desire to receive duplicate school information regarding your child.

SAVE THE DATES

A reminder that there are some important events taking place at WHES that you'll need to plan for. First, our fall **Parent / Teacher Conferences** are scheduled for November 25th & 26th from 3:00-7:00 p.m. Teachers will be sending out information on their scheduling procedures.

The **WHES Winter Concert** has been scheduled for Tuesday, December 3rd beginning at 5:30 p.m. here at the school. This year we are going back to a one session format with all Pre K-8 performers participating in a single program. Always a holiday season highlight, parents and friends will want to place this date in their calendar. In case of a snow day on December 3rd, we have an alternative (snow day) concert date planned on Tuesday, December 10th.

<u>Office:</u> 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: Any kind of food donations are appreciated!

Flocking for Food: Keep your eye out for the flock!!! We also accept donations as well to support our food pantry.

<u>Health:</u> Thank you again to Lincoln Medical for helping us out with our first flu clinic. It went so smoothly and all students that received the vaccine were super brave!

<u>Kitchen:</u> November already! Wait, did I miss October? We had our pumpkin pancake breakfast on Halloween. It appeared to be a hit. I heard some good feedback from the students regarding the breakfast. I hope for the same feedback at our Thanksgiving breakfast. I hope you have had a chance to look at our November menu. There are a few changes. I hope the students are willing to try new things. This month's "try something new" item is from the Brassica family. This is the broccoli, brussels sprout ,and cabbage family. I have incorporated all three of these items into our menu this month. I will have stickers for those students that try something new, and offer feedback. Broccoli isn't something new, but I am going to be roasting it instead of serving it steamed or raw. If your child shares any feedback about their lunch, please let me know. I appreciate any and all feedback.

I would like to thank all of you for your continued support of the foodservice program at Whitefield School. Remember, myschoolbucks.com is an easy way to make payments on your child's account, as well as sending money in.

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	Grades 3-5
Pre K: Pre K has had a busy week! We have been learning about how to make pizza and clapping out the syllables in our names. Thank you to all the parents that came to join us for Read with Me. We hope everyone has a great LONG weekend & stays warm!	Northrup: We will be having the chapter 2 assessment in math on Tuesday, Nov. 12. A study packet was sent home with your child today. Please go over this with your child. Enjoy the long weekend. Happy Veteran's Day to all the vets. We appreciate
Beck: The K Krew will be collecting food for our food pantry this week. Please send in non-perishable food for our collection. Have a great LONG weekend!	your service. Student of the Week- Bryan T. WISH LIST- paper towels and wipes
Lamothe: Thanks to all the parents who sent in goodies for our Halloween Party! We had a super fun celebration. We are spending an extra week on the vowel sounds of short and long a. In writing we continue to write our personal narrative stories. We have also started our Neuromber Journal. We are working on writing one or two good	Trask: The class has begun to use multiplication in their math lessons. Please have your child practice the basic multiplication facts at home to become proficient with them. Be looking for a P/T conference sign up coming home soon.
our November Journal. We are working on writing one or two good sentences using a capital letter and period. We have finished Unit 2 in Math. I will have assessments ready for you to view at conferences. We will begin Unit 3 next week, which will focus on addition facts to 20. Look for Parent Conference sign up sheets to be coming home next week. Star Student was Graham. We are in need of plastic spoons, small ziplock baggies and baby wipes.	M. Brewer: Students completed their first Science assessment this week over the web of life. We will now begin a study of Native Americans. Students will read about the four tribal regions and practice the critical thinking skill of
S. Brewer: We had a very busy week. We are focusing on addition with carrying. The students are becoming quite proficient. In writing we are working on strategies to revise our stories. We have begun talking about The Pilgrims. Ask a second graders to tell you some facts about the Mayflower. We are in need of plastic spoons. Look for Parent-Teacher	comparison to analyze the tribes environment, lifestyles, etc. Students also finished their first novel, <u>Hatchet</u> , this week. Throughout this novel, we have studied types of questions, and learned how to answer them.



interview a veteran to go along with

conference sign up sheets in the Friday Folders.

PBIS News- We are excited to have some new banners and posters to display at Whitefield. Thank you to LifeTouch for crafting these for our school so that we can hang them proudly. We are approaching the time of the year to be thinking about High School choice. Lincoln Academy will be having an open house on Wednesday, November 13th at 6:30 PM. Please see the attached letter. If your child is interested in attending Lincoln Academy, we will be scheduling a school tour



towards the end of the month. If you or your child has questions or would like more information about a specific high school, feel free to set up an appointment with me. (<u>msoule@svrsu.org</u>)

Middle School News McCormick: The green house is **Crowell**: Students in 6th grade have completed a challenge as they wrap up progressing! Thank you to everyone their unit of Mesopotamia. Ask them about it :) who has been involved. Next All math students have assignments they can work on if they choose to Wednesday, November 11th, 8th practice the math lessons within their unit. They can find these on Moby graders will be going to Augusta to Max. interview a Vereran for Veterans day. **Resource News Brann:** I'm pleased with the students' progress with reading high frequency Capen: In English we are working on words! They are applying their knowledge when reading new books. 6-8 students are making gains with the explicit skills focused on during RTI time. our projects for the end of our units. In writing the 8th grade is preparing to Keep up the great work!

Art - Learning Commons - Music - PE

Howard: The Learning Commons was busy - second grade used the space to make a game, middle school students completed making something of their choice (i.e. 3D objects, bracelets, different paper airplanes, etc.) as they completed their Engineering Design Process form - next week they will be making catapults.

Grades K-4 worked on digital safety in using their "Gut Feelings" when they are on-line and staying safe. Next week we'll be learning about Media Choices.

Students have been selecting good choices for reading material - ask them how they like their choice? Have a great long weekend.

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

Simpson: Ask your K-3 students about our "Fall Harvest Treasure Hunt." The kiddos had a fun time hunting for their items and competing against their classmates!

Have a great weekend!