

Whitefield Wildcat Weekly



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Principal's Message

Return to School - Fall 2020

As the 2019-2020 school year winds to a conclusion most educators, parents and students are focusing on what school going to look like come the end of August (our typical starting time). The answer to that question is, at this time, no one truly knows. We see guidance coming out of the state and national CDC, as well as the Depart of Education (DOE) but there is absolutely no certainty as to what will be the parameters for schools in Maine to operate from next fall. However, that is not to say that we aren't planning and considering a great many options. RSU #12 is assembling a large team of administrators, teachers, nurses, social workers, education technicians, maintenance, nutritional staff members, school board members and parents, with a goal to sort through all of the guidance that exists out there and frame a variety of plans that respond to the circumstances that will present themselves at the end of the summer. Our goal is to have these options ready by mid-July so that when the final advisories are provided from state and federal resources, we will be ready to communicate with parents and let them know how we'll be proceeding. I understand that this lack of clarity is frustrating as it is for all of us as well, but please know that we are working in a planful manner to devise the best possible options for operating our schools safely in the fall. Stay tuned for more information as the summer progresses.

Office: I will be setting up times within the next week or two (weather permitting) for you to be able to look through the lost and found. It will be set up on tables outside of the school. We will have this out for several days. Unclaimed items will then be donated to Goodwill.

Food Pantry: I would like to thank the Hayden Family and community members for all the contributions we have received.

Kitchen: Happy end of May! It is almost June and the weather is much nicer ! Even though we can not see all of you at breakfast or lunch, I do hope you are satisfied with the meals that we are sending. Please let us know if you like them. You can send an email or post something on our web page. Even though we are not together, I still want to celebrate June with you. So, next week, let's have some fun! June 2 and June 5 are the delivery days, and I am inviting you to join us, at the end of your driveway, with your BEST tropical/beach/hawaiian shirt you have! Some, or maybe all, of our delivery folks will be wearing some sort of tropical get up! Maybe even the bus will be decorated! I know I won't see you, but the folks that are making your deliveries will see you, and will share it with me. Feel free to snap a picture and post it for me too! Ashley and I will do the same! I will have a special treat for you in one of your lunch bags, one of the days!!! So join us in welcoming summer to Whitefield, and wear you tropical colors. I hope you are all staying safe and making the most of your time at home! Have some fun and enjoy your lunches!
We miss you..... Miss Vicki and Miss Ashley

PBIS News- I hope everyone is staying cool out there this week!! Keep active, get outside, stay healthy and reach out to your friends to check-in. The Whitefield Community Newsletter would like to honor the 8th graders by adding a section on their high school choice combined with a short write-up and picture. I have sent emails to all 8th grade students with more information pertaining to this, please check your email and return information to me by next Thursday. Stay safe everyone!!

Grades Pre K- 2

Pre K: We hope that everyone had a wonderful long weekend and were able to get outside and have lots of fun! We have enjoyed seeing many of you from afar when we delivered your last Pre K Learning Packets. We are sure going to miss all of you SO much!
~Ms. Jen & Ms. Amanda ~

Beck: Hello K Krew! Notes are in the mail and should arrive at your house soon! Watch the email and facebook page for another ZOOM meeting time. Have fun this week! The summer weather is here!

Lamothe: It's really beginning to feel like summer! We have had a long stretch of beautiful weather. I love seeing the pictures you are sending to me of all your outside family adventures! Your last Learning Packet will be delivered this Friday. I have included lots of fun summer activities that will help you prepare for second grade! I enjoy seeing all of your smiling faces at our Friday Zoom Class Meetings! Remember, sometime before June 12th you'll be getting a surprise Social Distance visit from me!!!

S. Brewer: WOW!! It feels like summer. Your last learning packet will arrive soon. In it you'll find many activities to prepare you for third grade. There is also a grade 2 Yearbook for you to fill out. If you can complete that sooner than later we will have a ZOOM meeting to share your yearbooks. I even will have mine completed. I'll post a ZOOM date on our FB page for sharing them. Be on the lookout for a special package to arrive at your house via the USPS in the next couple weeks. Miss you all so much...

Grades 3-5

Northrup: "Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass, it's about learning to dance in the rain." - Vivian Green

I loved seeing so many of you on Zoom this week. Our scavenger hunt was a blast!!! Look for some special treats in your packets this week from Schuyler's mom. I included two separate summer packets in your CLP's this week. One is filled with fun activities and the other is skills for 4th grade. Miss you lots!!! *Next Zoom Meeting- 6/4 @ 10:00

M. Brewer: I hope everyone was able to retrieve their belongings from the school this week. It was very sad packing up all of your belongings. Your last learning packets were delivered today. If you need help or have any questions about anything in the packet then email me. I can help you on zoom or send you a "how-to" video. If you have written any of your opinion pieces on google docs then please share them with me!! I would love to read what you have completed. Also, our Wednesday zoom will move to 11:00 starting this week! I will send out an email reminder next week.

Middle School News

McCormick: Wow it is sure hot out this week. I am excited to say that by the time this is sent out we have successfully planted the school gardens AND the pumpkin patch. We will be having two vegetable gardens at school. One will have squash and the other a variety of veggies. Then we have our pumpkin patch at the Marple's still. It has been a busy week. Please reach out if you are available and want to sign up to weed or water plants this summer. We will have plenty of both to offer.

Capen: Hey guys. I encourage all of you to be checking google classroom regularly to see new things posted. Above all, I hope that you're able to get outside and do some reading! That's my favorite way to unwind in the summer. Find a shady spot to relax with a good book! I hope you're all getting a chance to do the same. Miss you all and see you at our meetings!

Crowell: I hope you are all enjoying the weather. Finally, it feels like summer. Zoom lessons continue on the same schedule. Please remember to show up and play a game with us on zoom.

Resource News

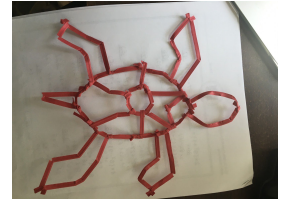
Brann: 8th Graders- Please be sure you are registered to attend the high school you have chosen. I sent necessary paperwork from Erskine to some of you and the guidance department needs that information ASAP. I hope you take the time to fill out details from your experiences in the COVID 19 booklet sent in the Continued Learning Packets.

Grady/Richards: Hi there, I hope everyone is enjoying the nice weather, maybe reading a good book in the shade? This is our last week for work packets, but if you happen to have any questions or need resources, feel free to contact us through email. Have a great weekend.

Frankhauser: If anyone would like additional resources for over the summer, please send me an email.

Art - Learning Commons - Music - PE

Howard: Thank you to Katie Shaw for sharing her Twist-Tie Project - "Turtle". This week's packet has a test for Dominant Eye - not all right-handed people have a dominant right-eye - my son is this way! Have your family do the tests and share your reactions (I couldn't believe the clock disappeared!). I also shared an old game that I played as a child - Cootie Catcher - ask your parents if they remember them. I really miss all the students and being able to share in learning new things, please email or put on our FB page activities they are doing. Take Care Mrs. H.



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Have a great weekend!