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We have had a great week at the Spring Street School! The weather has been beautiful for outdoor activities, and the energy inside the school is positive and exciting. Your children have learned the routines of the day and are rising to the expectations of their teachers, while they learn each day. What a wonderful world it is inside the Spring Street School!



Using different senses in Preschool.

SCHOOL COUNCIL: Please consider being part of the continuous effort to improve our schools. We are in need of parent volunteers for our Spring Street School Council this year. The School Council is a group of teachers, parents, community members, and the principal that meet regularly throughout the year to formulate a school improvement plan. The first meeting this year is Thursday, October 27, at 2:45 p.m. and you may use our surround care for school age children for free to attend meetings. We will set the other dates for the year at the first meeting. Thank you for considering to join this important council.

COLUMBUS DAY: In observance of Columbus Day, there will be no school on Monday, October 10th.

SOCIAL MEDIA: We are up to 210 "Likes" on our Spring Street School Facebook page. Wow! If you haven't "Liked" us yet please do! Photos and updates will be shared on Facebook.

BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION CAMPAIGN: Remember to keep cutting and collecting boxtops and send them to school with your child. Visit the website for more information: http://www.boxtops4education.com.

<u>CURRICULUM NIGHT:</u> Our SSS Curriculum Night for parents/guardians is Thursday, October 6, beginning at 6:00 pm for Preschool and 6:30 pm for Kindergarten. This night is for adults only to learn about our school, teachers, and curriculum.

EARLY RELEASE DAYS: Wednesday, **September 28** and Wednesday, October 26 are our next early release days.. Dismissal is at 11:30. There is no lunch served on early release days.

<u>LOCKDOWN DRILL</u>: Each year we complete a Lockdown Drill in all of our schools in WB. Routines and safety precautions are put into place as we continuously strive to maintain the safest environment possible for our students. Thank you to Officer Thaxter from the WBPD for his continued effort to help us maintain our secure environment. We will be scheduling our annual Lockdown Drill in the near future.

<u>SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING</u>: The next School Committee meeting is on Monday, October 17. It will be held at the MSHS in the Learning Commons area at 6:30pm.





Clapping out the syllables in kindergarten.

Taking a movement break before lunch.

<u>STUDENT ABSENCES:</u> If your child is going to be absent from school, you must call or email Mrs. Wohlen to report your child's absence. Please do not call or email the school nurse or the teachers. Mrs. Wohlen may be reached at 508-894-1230, Extension 119, or lwohlen@wbridgewater.com. Mrs. Wohlen will follow up with a phone call to any parent/guardian of a child who has been marked absent, but for whom no absence was reported. The safety of your children is our top priority and we want to be certain that if your child is not in school, that he/she is safely at home.

PICTURE DAYS -- Lifetouch Picture Days are Tuesday and Wednesday, October 11 & 12. Details will follow.

GREETINGS FROM THE WILDCAT CAFE! Farm to School - So far this year, students have been served locally grown tomatoes, celery, corn, watermelon, honeydew, cucumbers and three varieties of apples. Some of the cherry tomatoes and celery even came from the RLM School Garden! MySchoolbucks - We offer a convenient way for parents to add money to their child's lunch account and to monitor transactions in the cafeteria. If you choose to send money into school to pay for meals, please make sure it is labeled with your child's full name and amount. You may contact Mrs. Ann Marie Grinder at agrinder@wbridgewater.com for your child's MySchoolbucks ID# to set up an account. School Meal Prices- Lunch this year is \$2.50 and a complete breakfast cost \$1.25. Healthy a la carte items and milk are also available for purchase for \$.50.

<u>HALF DAY SURROUND CARE</u>: The Half Day Registration form for Surround Care is available on the school website and can be submitted electronically by Monday, September 26 to be able to attend on Wednesday, September 28th.