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Wilkinson Bulletin



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January 2017 Parent Newsletter

Principal's Message

Dear Wildcat Families,

2017 has gotten off to a wonderful start here at WES! Our students have picked up where they have left off. It is amazing to see the growth of our students from the beginning of the school year. As we look ahead to the month of January, there are many exciting activities happening at Wilkinson Elementary.



January 23rd -27th has been declared Literacy Week for the State of Florida. We have many activities next week to promote Literacy, writing and mathematics.



The Book Fair is next week.



The Jump Rope for Heart Kick Off is Friday, January 20th. Jump Rope for Heart activities will take place in PE on Friday, February 10th.



Conference Night is February 9th

This is the time of year when winter takes a toll on school attendance. Colds, the flu, earaches, and other ailments become more frequent. These absences, even if they are excused, can add up to academic trouble. If your student misses school for minor pains and appointments, he or she will miss out on essential learning. These absences can result in lower test scores, grades and mastery of academic standards. We want your children and all of our students to succeed, and that means attending school every day possible.

Please let us know if there is anything that we can do to support you and your child.

Warmest Regards,

Heather M. Teto

Principal

Dates to Remember

- January 23rd – January 27th, Literacy Week and Book Fair
- February 9, 2017, Thursday, Interim Reports to Parents
- February 9, 2017, Thursday, WES Conference Night
- February 14, 2017, Tuesday, Valentine's Day
- February 17, 2017, Friday, Early Dismissal and Pizza Day
- February 20, 2017, Monday, Presidents Day, Student/Teacher Holiday



FOCUS Parent Portal

To REGISTER for an account

Focus is our Student Information System that includes attendance, assessment, communication, discipline, digital lesson delivery, gradebook, and progress monitoring information. Parents, please remember to register for an account at: <https://focus.oneclay.net/focus/auth/>



WES Academic Literacy Week Activities

Monday (1/23) - Grade Level Cafeteria Time for Grade Level Literacy/Math Games, Kindergarten Storytime with Mrs. Teto

Tuesday (1/24) - Hats Off to Literacy Day, (Wear your favorite school appropriate hat.)

Wednesday (1/25) - Read My (School Appropriate) T-Shirt Day

Staff and students wear t-shirts with school appropriate messages and are encouraged to read t-shirt messages of others.

Student contest - Classroom teachers will have students vote on their favorite student shirt. Then, students vote on winners from each class for a grade level winner. Grade level winner wins a book of choice, and their photo goes on Facebook.

Thursday (1/26) - Buddy Reading

Friday (1/27) - Read outside during Lunch -Students who choose may bring a book and read outside during lunch, WEATHER PERMITTING. If there is inclement weather this day, there will not be a rescheduling of the event.



W.E.S. Happy Camper Scholastic Book Fair

January 23rd- 27th, 2017

Family Shopping: M, T, Th, & F- 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

Wednesday- 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

Meet Smokey Bear & Shop: Jan. 26th- 5:00-7:00 pm

Students may visit during their library time.

Literacy Building

LOVE TO READ OPPORTUNITY!!!



Tumblebooks is a great way to increase your vocabulary, understand the elements of a story, and build literacy skills. This is a site that you can use at home with your children.

Log on to: www.tumblebooklibrary.com

Username: WES

Password: books

Clinic News

Please check our **LOST & FOUND** for your child's belongings. We have 2 barrels full of coats, jackets, and sweaters. We also have a few lunch boxes.

Cold and Flu season is here! Remember **GOOD HANDWASHING** is our best defense against germs. Wash, Wash, Wash.