

## WJH Daily Announcements - February 2nd - Day Cycle 6

**STUDENTS NEED TO REMEMBER TO BRING A MASK TO SCHOOL.**

**STUDENTS NEED TO BRING THEIR CHROMEBOOKS TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY.**

Congratulations to the cheerleading team on their 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish and zero deduction routine at the John Jay Cheerleading Invitational.

Congratulations to Coach Lynch & the Boys Basketball Team with their double wins - over John Jay Cross River on Monday and over Spackenkill on Tuesday. This team is on a winning streak!!!

Congratulations to Coach Opitz & the Girls Basketball Team with their double wins - over Beacon on Monday and over Spackenkill on Tuesday. Go Wappingers!!!

### **WINTER SPORTS THIS WEEK:**

Wednesday 2/2 - Wrestling @ Mahopac - Meet is at 4:15 pm (rescheduled from 2/1)

Thursday 2/3 - Girls basketball vs. John Jay Cross River - Game time is 4:15 pm

Good Luck to our student musicians who are participating in the Junior High All County Music Festival this weekend!

Parents: If you are picking up your child for early dismissal, the school requires a written note. Please make sure you have a written note at time of pick up. If your child is absent from school, please send a written note upon your child's return to school.

All school notes (absent/early dismissal/late or tardy/pick up at dismissal) must be handed into 1<sup>st</sup> period class teacher at the beginning of class each day. Teachers will place notes in folders on the classroom doors for pick up.

Notes can be emailed to: [carol.naughton@wcsdny.org](mailto:carol.naughton@wcsdny.org)

**If your child lost a Hyland jacket, please contact the Main Office.**

**FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE:** New Online Covid-19 Resource & Information for our Families from the Superintendent, Dr. Bonk:

<https://www.wappingersschools.org/Page/33897>

**FROM THE LIBRARY:** "Students, please check your school emails for overdue library notices. Any questions, stop by the library and see Mrs. Green."

**CLUB INFORMATION:**

**FROM STUDENT GOVERNMENT:** Attention all students!! Student Government is sponsoring a Black History Month Art and Essay contest for the month of February, 1-18 - You have a choice:

- 1) Draw a piece of artwork pertaining to the civil rights movement of the 60s or
- 2) Write a one-page essay of Dr. King's legacy. Winners will receive a gift certificate/pass for two to attend the Poughkeepsie Galleria, Regal Theater! Please submit your work to Mr. Ramirez @ M-11 by Feb. 18, 2022.

**Drama** will meet today, Wednesday, 2/2 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**Jazz Band** will meet on Thursday, 2/3 from 2:25 pm to 3:45 pm in the Auditorium

**FROM PRIDE CLUB:** Every year, in connection with Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday, schools across the country recognize "No Name Calling Week." It is a time for us to think about the power of our words. Can you rise to the challenge and go through the whole week without name calling? Watch for ways to participate all week long.

## **EXTRA MATH HELP 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

Monday afternoons - Room 144 w/Ms. Price

Tuesday afternoons - Room 140 w/Ms. Marold

Wednesday afternoons - Room 140 w/Ms. Bush

Thursday afternoons - Room 130 w/Mrs. Conklin - Cancelled for 2/3

Friday morning extra help will be at 6:45 am with Mrs. Nevel

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## **7<sup>th</sup> Grade Homework Help w/Mrs. Liberta & Mrs. Milanese**

Students are able to stay after school in Room 206 or they can join the Google Meet - the code is: jb75vomRoom 206

February: 2/8

March: 3/8 and 3/22

April: 4/5 and 4/19

May: 5/10 and 5/31

## **WJH PTA MESSAGES:**

### **HONOR ROLL BREAKFAST - February 23<sup>rd</sup>. - SAVE THE DATE!!**

The WJHS PTA is requesting donations for the annual honor roll breakfast for our second quarter honor roll students. Event will be held during school on February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Items can be dropped off on February 18<sup>th</sup> or February 22<sup>nd</sup> at the school. Please click this link to sign up to donate!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090A4AA8A82EA0F49-wjhs>

If you wish to volunteer at this event, please email [wappingersjrhighpta@gmail.com](mailto:wappingersjrhighpta@gmail.com)

Yearbooks are on sale. The site is now active and yearbooks can be purchased for \$35.

<https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/WJHS2022>

8<sup>th</sup> grade baby pictures - there is still time to submit your baby pictures for the yearbook.

Submit pictures to this link: [Wearewappingers@gmail.com](mailto:Wearewappingers@gmail.com)

### CELEBRATE NATIONAL DAY (FEBRUARY):

TODAY: National Groundhog Day on February 2nd each year asks one question. Will the groundhog see his shadow? OK, well, maybe it asks another question. Will there be six more weeks of winter? The day is celebrated each year in the United States and Canada. Traditionally the groundhog awakens from his nap for a nice welcomed break during the winter to see if he can see his shadow. Many believe if the groundhog sees his shadow, there will be six more weeks of winter. If this is so, he retreats into his den and goes back to sleep. However, if he does not see his shadow, the groundhog remains outside to play, and people celebrate, believing spring is just around the corner.

The tradition of predicting the length of the remaining winter is intertwined with the Christian holiday, Candlemas. The clergy would bless candles symbolizing the 'light of the world' to give to their congregations. Another tradition associated with this day is eating crepes. Germans practiced the art of predicting the winter with a hedgehog. When they arrived in the United States, they settled in the hills of Pennsylvania, and the groundhog became the official predictor.

Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, has hosted the annual Groundhog Day event. Thousands of people come to the town of Punxsutawney on Groundhog Day for this day of celebration to see if Punxsutawney Phil will see his shadow.

Thank you.

Remember...WE ARE WAPPINGERS !!