WJH Daily Announcements - March 1 - Day Cycle 4

COVID-19 Home Test kits are still available. You can contact the Main Office to obtain one.

Congratulations to our Student of the Week - Finnley Rundle

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY candidates have been added to a google classroom. Congratulations to our 120 NJHS Candidates. Applications and Essays are due on 3/18. There will be OPTIONAL informational meetings afterschool in room 132 on 3/1 and 3/8. Students that stay can take the late bus home or get picked up by a parent at 3pm. Please contact Cara Budd with questions and/or concerns. <u>Cara.budd@wcsdny.org</u>

<u>JR. HIGH SPRING SPORTS:</u> Boys Baseball, Girls Softball, Boys & Girls Lacrosse & Boys & Girls Spring Track (Season Scheduled to Start March 21st). Jr. High Family Id Registration Will Be Open from February 19 - March 13. <u>You Must Be Cleared Through Family Id Or You Cannot Try Out For A Spring</u> <u>Sport.</u>

According to The Nys Education Department, Students Should Plan To Obtain The Required Health Examination Prior To Participation In The Spring 2022 Seasons. Please Upload the Most Current Physical Exam to Your Family Id Account. If You Are Unsure If Your Child Requires an Up-To-Date Physical, Please Contact Your Child's Health Office. If Your Child Has A Completed Physical from A Private Physician, Please Upload It onto Family Id For Approval By The School Physician.

"All girls interested in playing MODIFIED LACROSSE this spring at Van Wyck and Wappingers JHS must email Coach Boscia <u>valerie.boscia@wcsdny.org</u> to be added to the google classroom. All information regarding tryouts will be posted there."

FROM MR. CALVIN: Girls Rock STEAM event at Kingston High School March 26th from 9am to 12pm. The event usually fills to capacity and is open to young women grades 5-8. Gotta register using the site found below. Check it out!

https://sites.google.com/view/girlsrocksteam/home?authuser=1

STEAM/SCIENCE FAIR

Annual STEAM/Science Fair for grades 5-12 will be held on Saturday, March 5th (snowdate is March 6th) in the Gymnasium at John Jay High School (8:00 am - 3:00 pm) with Public viewing from 12 pm - 3pm. Our budding scientists throughout the district will be displaying their projects to be judged by a wide variety of professionals in the world of science, mathematics, technology and engineering within our community.

CHILDCARE FORMS FOR 2022-2023

TRANSPORTATION HAS UPDATED THEIR CHILDCARE TRANSPORTATION FORM FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR. PLEASE SEE WJH WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS.

LOST & FOUND:

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

PTA MESSAGE:

Our 8th Grade Grad Signs and Banners are available for sale!

Sale ends May 6th, so we can have delivery in the beginning of June.

https://wjhspta.memberhub.com/store

The yearbook is underway and the staff is looking for photos. All fall and winter sports need to be submitted now, along with any events or activities that have taken place. Clubs and concerts included. - All photos can be emailed to <u>wearewappingers@gmail.com</u>

Yearbooks are on sale. The site is now active and yearbooks can be purchased for \$35. <u>https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/WJHS2022</u>

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

Submit pictures to this link: <u>Wearewappingers@gmail.com</u>

FROM MAIN OFFICE:

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 you 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 1st 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: <u>carol.naughton@wcsdny.org</u>

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE:

Students cannot come to the health office in between classes. Unless it is a medical emergency they should report to the next class and get a pass. Teachers: do not give a pass at the end of the class period.

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."

"Participate in the WJH Winter Book Bingo with your fellow students, and be entered into a raffle for a \$25 gift card. Stop by the library and see Mrs. Green for more information!"

CLUB INFORMATION:

When our clubs & extra help classes meet on either Tuesdays or Thursdays from 2:30 pm until 3:50 pm there are late buses for students to take home.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT MEETING TODAY (3/1) IS CANCELLED.

<u>ARTS INTEGRATION</u> - will meet Tuesday, 3/1/22 in Room 217 immediately after school until the late bus.

DRAMA - Tuesday, 3/1 - Full cast 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm (Auditorium)

Wednesday, 3/2 -Select Cast 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm (Auditorium)

Thursday, 3/3 - Music - 2:30 pm - 3:50 pm (Room M-10)

Friday, 3/4 - Full Cast - 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm (Auditorium)

JAZZ BAND: meets this Thursday, 3/3 - 2:30 pm - 3:50 pm (Auditorium)

ENL EXTRA HELP - CANCELLED FOR TODAY, 3/1.

EXTRA MATH HELP 8TH GRADE

The math 8 teachers made some changes to the extra help we are providing to accommodate the need to also support the Math AIS After-School Program. Going forward, extra help will be PM Tuesday thru Thursday and AM on Mondays and Fridays. Please see the attached for our updated Extra Help schedule and link to the virtual sessions.

7TH 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

March: 3/8 and 3/22

<u>CRC</u>: The next CRC meeting is Wednesday, March 2nd, until 4:00pm in Room 217 (Mrs. Steger's room). Since the meeting is on a Wednesday, in order to attend in person, you will need a ride home @ 4:00, or you can take the regular dismissal bus home and attend

virtually through the meet link in google classroom 💻 We look forward to seeing

everyone there 籎

AFTER SCHOOL EXTRA HELP ELA & MATH - THIS WEEK SCHEDULE

Tuesday 3/1 - ELA will meet in Room 141/Math will meet in Room 144

Thursday 3/3 - ELA will meet in Room 210/Math will meet in Room 144

<u>WAPPINGERS CREW CLUB</u>: Crew Club students will meet in Room 113 (every day) from 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm to await bus to pick up for practices at RCK.

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STUDENTS NEED TO BRING THEIR CHROMEBOOKS TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY.

CELEBRATE NATIONAL DAY (FEBRUARY):

TODAY: FAT TUESDAY: The last day of Carnival and the day before Ash Wednesday (3/2), is called Fat Tuesday. Fat Tuesday is the intertwining of a period of festivals and feasts that lead to a time of fasting and reflection. Also known as Shrove Tuesday and Mardi Gras, this enduring celebration has many traditions and deep roots around the world.

Mardi Gras (French for Fat Tuesday) dates back to an ancient Roman festival which took place in mid-February. When Christians arrived in Rome, they incorporated the festival into Lenten preparations.

For centuries, this solemn feast prepared Christians for the season of Lent and used up valuable meat and supplies they would be abstaining from in the days to come.

While the French didn't originate the medieval feast, they did put their stamp on it. From parades to *beignets* and colorful masks, the last day of Carnival is full of elaborate costumes and lavish food sure to hold the revelers over through a long fast.

New Orleans holds the crown for Carnival and Mardi Gras celebrations in the United States. While the city is filled with French flavor and style, its culture is an eclectic infusion of many cultures.

Indulge in a Colorful King Cake - an oval-shaped cake to symbolize the unity of faiths. Each cake is decorated in the traditional Mardi Gras colors - purple representing justice, green representing faith, and gold representing power. A small baby, symbolizing the baby Jesus, is traditionally hidden inside each King Cake. Why Is There a Baby in the King Cake? It is placed inside of each cake to signify the Epiphany. The person who gets the slice that contains the baby is known as the king. They are charged with the responsibility of bringing a king cake to the next event.

Thank you. Remember...WE ARE WAPPINGERS !!