WJH Daily Announcements – October 8th – Day Cycle 3

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11th is A HOLIDAY (COLUMBUS DAY) -SCHOOL IS CLOSED - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

WJH PICTURE DAY -

Picture day is Thursday, October 21. Re-take day will be Monday, November 22nd. Please see attached flyer for all the details!

WJH FALL DANCE - we will be hosting a WJH Fall/Costume Dance for our students on Friday, October 29th @ 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Tickets will go on sale starting 10/12 thru 10/29 during all lunch periods. The cost of the ticket is \$10. We will have a Radio DJ and a costume and dance contest. This is an outdoor event to be held at the front circle of the school building, weather permitting. There is no rain date (dance will be cancelled if there is bad weather). MASKS ARE REQUIRED WHEN INDOORS. Drop off and pick up of all students will be in the staff parking lot located at the rear of the building - Parents will need to use the Middlebush Road entrance as the normal drop off/pick up North Entrance will be blocked off for the dance.

SPIRIT WEEK 10/25 - 10/29 (SPONSORED BY STUDENT GOVERNMENT)

Monday 10/25 - Crazy Hat or Pajama Bottom (only) day

Tuesday 10/26 - Twin or Decade (60s, 70s, 80s) day

Wednesday 10/27 - Sports Jersey or Hawaiian Shirt day

Thursday 10/28 - Superhero or School Colors (8th graders wear red, 7th graders wear blue) day

Friday 10/29 – Pink Out (All students and staff wear pink)

Students are NOT ALLOWED to wear Halloween costumes to school on Friday, 10/29. They are encouraged to wear their costumes to the WJH Dance on Friday evening.

HOMEWORK HELP FOR 7TH GRADERS (Mrs. Liberta & Mrs. Milanese)

Students are able to stay after school in room 206 or they can join the Google Meet.

The code is: jb75vom

Here are the dates: Tuesday October 12, 19 Tuesday November 9, 16 Tuesday December 7, 21

There are late buses on Tuesdays - Students can take the late bus or be picked up by a parent/guardian.

EXTRA HELP Math - 8th Grade

8th Grade Math Teachers are working together to provide as many opportunities for extra help as possible. This started on Monday, September 27th.

Monday afternoons - Room 144 - Ms. Price

Tuesday afternoons - Room 140 - Ms. Marold

Wednesday afternoons - Room 140 - Ms. Bush

Thursday afternoons - Room 130 - Mrs. Conklin

Friday Mornings Extra help will be at 6:45 am with Mrs. Nevel.

Extra help will also be available by appointment Mondays thru Thursdays (AM) with Mrs. Nevel BY APPOINTMENT. Reach out to her on her google voice (845) 391-3731 to make an appointment.

There will be late buses on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4 pm. You will need your own ride for the morning help or extra help after school on Mondays and Wednesdays. Extra help on Mondays and Wednesdays goes until 3:30 pm.

If you need to log in virtually for extra help, you can go to the following link!

Math Extra Help – Virtual Link <u>https://meet.google.com/lookup/hmfcaa5rnb</u>

WJH PTA MESSAGES

Next PTA Meeting is Wednesday, October 20th from 2:30 – 3:00 pm in WJH Library. All are welcome. This meeting is virtual and in-person.

Please use the link below to attend virtual:

https://meet.google.com/awt-wmsp-kco

(US)<u>+1 402-761-0172</u> PIN: 396 930 364# Don't forget to renew your membership for the 2021-2022 school year by using the link below

https://wjhspta.memberhub.com/store

Hi Wappinger Junior High Community!

Our Cookie Dough Fundraiser is ready! Let's Raise Some Money!!!

Our Online Web Store URL is <u>https://abc.launchfundraising.com/orderinfo/FV2954</u>

See attached flyer!

<u>CELL PHONES & ELECTRONIC DEVICES ARE PROHIBITED – PAGE</u> <u>13 (WCSD CODE OF CONDUCT</u>

DRESS CODE: Students should be following the proper dress code indicated in the Code of Conduct Page 15.

Bus passes will not be issued.

Late Buses: We will have late buses every Tuesday and Thursday. It will pick up students at 3:50 pm and leaves WJH at 4:00 pm.

SPORTS ANNOUNCEMENTS:

At this time we are NOT ISSUING HOME GAME PASSES TO STUDENTS*

HOME GAMES FOR THIS WEEK (10/4 - 10/8/21)

Friday 10/8 - Girls Field Hockey vs. Unionvale - Game Time: 3:45 pm

NEXT WEEK's HOME GAME (10/11 - 10/15/21)

Wednesday 10/13 - Girls Soccer vs. Mahopac - Game Time: 4:30 pm

Thursday 10/14 – Boys Soccer vs. North Salem – Game Time: 4:30 pm Girls Field Hockey vs. Mahopac – Game Time: 4:30 pm

Friday 10/15 – Boys Soccer vs. La Grange – Game Time: 3:45 pm Girls Volleyball vs. North Salem – Game Time: 4:30 pm

Coach Bishop (Cheerleading)

Cheerleading Practices will be Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesday and Thursdays from 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm. Students will need rides home / Late buses on Tuesdays & Thursdays.

Coach Pennacchio (Football) – Football is starting at Roy C Ketcham HS at 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm. No try-outs, all are welcome but All players must have approved physicals from FamilyID. If you have any questions please contact the coach – Pat Pennacchio (845) 764-0977 or email: <u>ppennacchio88@gmail.com</u>

*** CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS ***

<u>WJH CLUB INFORMATION:</u> Take a moment to read our September newsletter to learn about our clubs and activities!

<u>JAZZ BAND</u>: Jazz Band audition results are posted outside of the Band Locker room. Thank you to all who auditioned.

<u>ARTS INTEGRATION CLUB</u> The schedule for Arts Integration meetings in **October** is as follows:

Thursday, October 14 Thursday, October 21 Thursday, October 28

<u>CRC – CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE CLUB</u> will meet on Tuesday, 10/12 after school until 3:45. Students can take the late bus home or arrange parent pick up.

CHROMEBOOKS

If your child did not receive a Chromebook, they must report to the Main Office. Students should charge their Chromebooks every evening. Please leave the charger at home. If students charge the Chromebook overnight, it is good for the next day!!

CHROMEBOOK STUDENT EXPECTATIONS:

- You maintain the device and report any issues, incidental or otherwise, to the Computer Lab TA (Located in the back of Library) as soon as possible.
- The device is with you daily, class by class, and is brought to school fully charged
- School issued devices must be carried in the provided carrying case at all times while transporting the device indoors and outdoors
- You follow WCSD's acceptable use policy and teacher guidelines at all times.
- Do not mark on your device in any way
- Do not put stickers or skins on your device
- Do not remove any asset tags or labels
- Do not leave it unattended
- If the device is accidentally forgotten and needed in class, loaners may be available in the classroom.

The Chromebook Protection Plan deadline has been extended until October 15th. Please read the attached information on the insurance and how to obtain it. We strongly recommend getting the protection plan in case of damage (such as cracked screens). We have received quite a few Chromebooks turned in with cracked screens. Families will be responsible for repairs if you do not have the protection plan.

FROM THE MAIN OFFICE

We would like to welcome (2) new staff members to WJH - Ms. Elani Huei and Mrs. Aida Mhiri to our Foreign Language Department! Bienvenue and Bienvenida!

Students please turn in your Emergency Cards to the Main Office.

Any student who plans to walk to /from school and any student who will be picked up daily at dismissal, should complete the necessary forms and return to Main Office.

All school notes should be handed into 1st period class teacher at the beginning of class EACH MORNING. Teachers will place notes in folders on the classroom doors for pick up by school monitor.

Dutchess Outreach - Coat Drive Oct 1 - 31

See attached information.

Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept 15 – Oct 15)

National Hispanic Heritage Month, celebrated September 15th through October 15th, recognizes the contributions and influence of Hispanic Americans to the history, culture, and achievements of the United States. The day of September 15th is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16th and September 18th, respectively. Hispanic Americans have significantly

contributed to sports, music, economy, food, politics and literature in this country. And even in our own schools, we welcome and celebrate students from Guatemala, Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Venezuela, Cuba and other countries. Happy Hispanic Heritage Month!

October is:

ADHD Awareness Month Bullying Prevention Month Communicate with your Kids Month Computer Learning Month Crime Prevention Month Domestic Violence Awareness Month Down Syndrome Awareness Month Dyslexia Awareness Month Health Literacy Month Health Literacy Month Meet the Blind Month National Book Month National Depression and Mental Health Screening Month Positive Attitude Month

Celebrate October's National Day:

Today - On October 8th, National Hero Day honors the people we look up to and who inspire us to be the best person we can possibly be.

If asked to define the word hero, many of us will name the qualities that demand a person rise above, the qualities that genuinely drive a person to be stronger, smarter, kinder and more than the average human being. They are the people who give when they have nothing to give. Heroes act before anyone else realizes there's a problem. They volunteer to put someone else before them.

Our heroes may be the first responders who save us from a dangerous situation. They may be a mentor, like a parent or a teacher. As role models, heroes guide us through the examples they set. They live their lives in such a way that we're honored to know them and hope to live up to their example.

And heroes, real-life heroes, rarely get recognized. That's why National Hero Day encourages you to recognize the heroes in your life.

Another kind of hero makes things happen. Whether it's filling a need or making the impossible happen, some heroes go to amazing lengths to get a job done.

Heroes come in many forms, you see. They rescue us, inspire us, and most of all, they believe in us.

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