

# WJH Daily Announcements – October 13<sup>th</sup> – Day Cycle 5

## **WJH PICTURE DAY -**

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

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**WJH FALL DANCE** – we will be hosting a WJH Fall/Costume Dance for our students on Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup> @ 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 (8<sup>th</sup> graders wear red, 7<sup>th</sup> 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.

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## **EXTRA HELP Math – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade**

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

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 <https://meet.google.com/lookup/hmfcaa5rnb>

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## **WJH PTA MESSAGES**

October is National Principal Month. All the students should make Mr. Thompson, Ms. Thomas, and Mr. Anderson feel special- like saying Happy Principal Month!

Next PTA Meeting is Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> 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>

[\(US\)+1 402-761-0172](tel:(US)14027610172)

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 <https://abc.launchfundraising.com/orderinfo/FV2954>

See attached flyer!

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**CELL PHONES & ELECTRONIC DEVICES ARE PROHIBITED - PAGE 13 (WCSD CODE OF CONDUCT)**

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

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Bus passes will not be issued.

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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.

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**SPORTS ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

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

**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.

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### **\*\*\* CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS \*\*\***

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

JAZZ BAND: Meetings scheduled - Jazz Band will meet Thursday, 10/14 after school until 3:45 pm. Students can take the late bus or arrange parent pick up.

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

Thursday, October 14

Thursday, October 21

Thursday, October 28

STUDENT GOVERNMENT: Student Government meeting on Thursday, 10/14 after school until 3:50 pm in Room 105. Students can take the late bus home or arrange parent pick up.

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## **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 15<sup>th</sup>. 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.

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## **FROM THE MAIN OFFICE**

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.

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## **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

LGBT History Month  
Meet the Blind Month  
National Book Month  
National Depression and Mental Health Screening Month  
Positive Attitude Month

## **Celebrate October's National Day:**

Today - National Stop Bullying Day on the second Wednesday in October brings together students, faculty, and parents to end bullying. This annual designation promotes standing up against and put an end to bullying. No child should be afraid to ride a bus or go to school because a classmate threatens them. Children who have been bullied should also feel they can report the incident without repercussions. Bullying comes in many forms. It occurs repeatedly and is a way for the perpetrator to show their power. Whether the bullying is verbal, physical, relational, or cyberbullying, the results are detrimental.

- **Verbal bullying** involves spoken words. The person may threaten or call names. They may use disrespectful language toward family, friends, or specifically aimed at their target.
- **Physical bullying** is aggression in the form of hitting, kicking, pushing, or any unwanted touch.
- **Relational bullying** involves purposely excluding someone from activities, groups, or events through social tactics.
- **Cyberbullying** includes using social media, texts, and the internet to spread rumors, lies, or mean messages about a person.

Each type of bullying may have similar effects on the targeted person. They may withdraw even from their family or become mysteriously ill often. It's essential to keep an open line of communication with children and students. Encourage students to participate in activities outside the home, too. Teach children the appropriate use of the internet, social media, and text. While having daily discussions with family members about their day, share information on setting boundaries. Teach them the behavior you expect them to display, how to treat others, and provide a role model of the same.

Tomorrow: People around the country indulge every October 14th on National Dessert Day! Celebrated by way of the local bakery, grandma's house or chocolate shop, desserts include candies, pies, ice cream, fruits, cookies, pastries, cobblers, and donuts, too. The available ingredients affect the range of desserts made in each region. The very first desserts required minimal effort or preparation since ancient cultures were more focused on the nutrition in foods to survive. Over the years, desserts have changed from natural candies and nuts to complex soufflés and multi-layered cakes. In modern culture, there are many more options available in desserts.

Thank you.

Remember...WE ARE WAPPINGERS !!