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## Mt. Ascutney School District Vision

To honor, encourage, and celebrate the excellence, diversity, and aspirations of each learner through creative and motivating challenges.

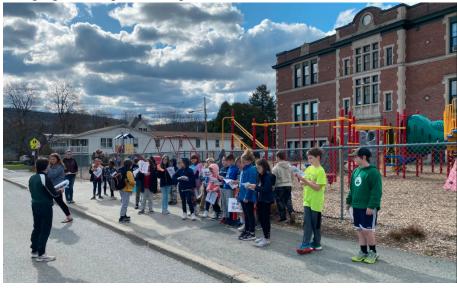
April 22, 2022

Dear Windsor Parents, Guardians, & Caregivers,

Spring break is behind us and we are moving into the home stretch. We are excited for warmer weather days and look forward to a wonderful weekend.

#### Colleen and Kate

Third grade had a successful history tour with Bridget Fariel as our guide. They studied the changing landscape of our special town.



After learning about clouds all week, first graders went outside to draw what they saw in the sky.



#### Our NHS induction



### **Important Dates:**

Middle School Play - Please join the Six Amazing Actors of Windsor's 8th grade as they perform the comedy classic, *Romeo, You Idiot,* in the Theater on , April 28, at 12:30 pm. Parents are welcome to attend.

Noon Dismissal - April 29, 2022

Spring Play: May 4, 5, & 6, at 7pm WHS Spring Theater Performance. Game of Tiaras

#### **NEWS:**

### **Congratulations to our Windsor Wrestlers!**

Three students from Windsor participated in the Springfield Rec. Elementary Wrestling program. All of these young athletes placed in their own weight classes. Jay Mouser(gr.4), 1st pl., Jace Preston (gr. 3) 2nd pl., Ben Morse (gr.4) 3rd pl.

**Morning Recess is Back:** Gates will open at 7:30am for our K-6 students. Supervision starts at 7:30am. Please do not drop off any earlier.

**National Honor Society:** We would like to congratulate the six inductees of the National Honor Society; Hollis Wilson, Lisa Todd, Bryce Moody, Holly Putnam, Dalton Clifford, and Alexina Peckinpaugh.

**Safety Drills:** In the nice weather we will be doing both evacuation drills and an in class lesson on ALICE protocol which is our supervisory union's response to a danger in the building. We know this is sensitive and wanted parents to know it would occur in April. More information can be found at the website: <a href="https://www.alicetraining.com/">https://www.alicetraining.com/</a>

**Save the Date - Community BBQ:** May 25th at 5:00 at the high school field. Please join us for food, games, and some information on collaborative problem solving. More information and an RSVP to come. We hope to see so many of you.

**Health Update:** This week we had 4 positive Covid cases in our school.

#### **REMINDERS:**

**We R Hope Summer Retreat:** We R hope is hosting a retreat this summer. Details and tickets can be found here.

### Windsor Rotary is looking for potential Host Families for an Exchange Student in the Fall of 2022!

The Rotary Youth Exchange Program gives high school students the opportunity to spend a year abroad. Next fall Windsor will be sending a student abroad and we are pleased to provide Violet Stanley with the opportunity to spend the 2022-2023 school year studying and living in Brazil. She will be living with host families vetted by her host Rotary Club there. It will be the experience of a lifetime!

Since this is a true 1 for 1 exchange we will be having an international student join us here in Windsor! In order for us to have a student join us, we need to provide host families – usually three over the course of the year – for this student. (See below for general information.) *Our preference is for a family that has a child that attends the Windsor School if possible.* 

We are currently accepting applications for the opportunity for you to bring an exchange student into your home. You can find more information about being a host family on the <u>Rotary Studen Exchange</u> website. This can be a very rewarding experience for your family!

If you are willing to consider <u>hosting a Rotary Exchange student</u>, <u>please contact the local Rotary Youth Exchange Officer</u>, <u>Kim Gogan</u> at <u>kimberly.gogan@wsesu.net</u> or 802 674 8318.

Kim will be happy to answer any questions and walk you through the application process!

Last Day of School: Sometimes it is difficult to keep track of snow days as we move through the winter. So we are all on the same page, the last day for all of our schools will be an early release day on Friday, June 17th. We are planning another Summer Academy this year. It will be four weeks long. The details are in the planning phase, but I should be able to provide more information in the next couple of weeks. We will avoid the July 4th week and begin on July 11th. We hope to double the participation this year. Last year we served close to 100 students. More information to follow.

#### **Becoming a Foster Parent:**

DCF is seeking caregivers for children in need of foster care. This could look like an emergency placement, providing respite for a few hours or a weekend, short-term, or long-term foster care placement. Have you ever wondered about fostering, and had a desire to provide safety and stability for a child? Children of all ages within the Windsor Southeast Supervisory Union are in need of support now. If you have a heart for children, are willing to learn the skills to improve a child's quality of life, and can provide a loving home, please complete an inquiry form using the link provided (<a href="https://dcf.vermont.gov/foster">https://dcf.vermont.gov/foster</a>) or call the Foster Parent Recruitment and Support Specialist at 802-760-0702. We are all here to create a better future for our children. Thank you for your time, interest, and devotion to this endeavor. Let's explore the possibility of fostering together.

## **Helpful Links**

**Phone Extensions** 

Vermont Department of Health (VDH) Parent Information

WSESU Strategic Plan & Portrait of a Graduate

**Leader in Me** 

**Student & Parent Handbook** 

2021-2022 Covid Response Plan

**Mount Ascutney School Board Meetings** 

Windsor Southeast Supervisory Union Board Meetings

2021-2022 School Calendar

**Free and Reduced School Meals Application**