# Wildcat Chat

A weekly update for Webster Elementary families

# January 2023



# **Upcoming Events**

January 16 - Martin Luther King Day, District Closed

January 20 - School Store after school

January 23 - District Chess Tournament, Spirit Day: Polka Dot Day

January 25 - Bingo for Books 5-6pm

**January 26-27** - Health Screening for grades kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 5th

January 27 - Kids Heart Challenge 2-2:30pm

# The Finch Nest - A Message from the Principal, Mrs. Finch

Health Screener Moved to Jan. 26, 27

Students in preschool, kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 5th grade will receive a vision and hearing screening at school during the current school year. These screenings are mandated by the state of Colorado, however additional screenings may be completed following parent



request or teacher referral. It is very helpful if you remind your students to wear their glasses or contacts on this day! Parents will be notified if their student's hearing or vision screening results warrant further testing. Parents may choose to opt their student out of the screening process by notifying the WSD3 Hearing and Vision Coordinator at (719) 391-3076 prior to the school's screening date.

#### Secure Perimeter/Controlled Release

We put into place a secure perimeter on Wednesday, January 11, 2023 due to police activity in the area. The secure perimeter was still in place at dismissal. Thank you for your patience and cooperation during the controlled release of students. Please make sure you have an accurate phone number in the Remind system since this is how we communicate upcoming events and inform you of procedures in order to keep the student and staff safe.



# **Literacy Information**

New Year's Resolution: Help Your Klds Do Great In School

Tip 1: Get involved: Volunteer when you can

Tip 2: Check on homework:

- Talk to your child each day about their homework
- Help your child with the workload by dividing assignments into smaller parts.
- Give your child a good place to study; away from TV, Phone, or loud music

Tip 3: Make your home a great place for learning:

- Praise and encourage your child.
- Be a role model for getting work done before play.
- Establish a homework routine same time, same place, every day.
- Read to your child or have them read to you every day.

Source: Reading Rockets

### **Counselor's Corner**

#### **Guidance/Social-Emotional Lessons:**

The social-emotional lesson topic for December was Friendship! Grades K & 1 read and discussed a story about a very friendly hippo! Grades 2 & 3 discussed how we can be good friends by caring about our friends' feelings, how to respectfully resolve conflicts, and how to show kindness by practicing complimenting others. Grades 4 & 5 discussed how to "keep the friendship fire burning" by discussing our top 5 qualities of a good friend (kindness, caring, respect, loyalty, and conflict resolution).



My social-emotional lesson topic for all grades will be honesty for the month of January.



# **Full Time Security**

We are excited to welcome Mr. Nelson as our full time security guard. Mr. Nelson will be monitoring our campus throughout the day and assisting with any safety needs in and outside of our building. Please give Mr. Nelson a warm Webster welcome.







4th Grade Self portraits & Qualities about Me writing projects







**Disney Spirit Day** 









New gym with ceiling fans and basketball hoops up



**Building Updates**Asphalt in the front of the building



Stucco on the southern classroom

# **Wildcat University Reading Program**

Remember to read at least 20 minutes a night to improve your reading skills and comprehension. Log in, record your minutes in this link: <a href="https://forms.gle/iADTwmwpeoh57c8Q7">https://forms.gle/iADTwmwpeoh57c8Q7</a>, and earn your Wildcat University Degrees.



## **School Information**

Office Hours: 7:15 am - 3:45 pm.. Please call with any questions or concerns at 719-391-3435.

More information about our school can also be found at <a href="https://webster.wsd3.org/">https://webster.wsd3.org/</a>

Student Hours: 7:40 am breakfast, supervision at 7:45 am, 8:00 am School starts, 2:40 pm Dismissal Student Calendar for the year can be found <u>HERE</u>.

Click **HERE** to view the Webster Parent-Student Handbook

