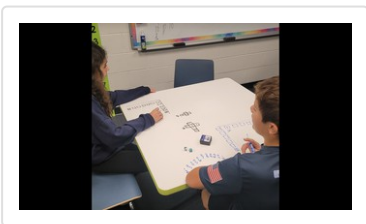


WMS Paw Print

2023.10.13

Bringing you the middle school scoop...



Principal's Message

October 13, 2023

Compliments to our students for some really great examples of successful learning. Defining that learning for students is valuable as they seek higher levels of education. Below are a few examples of strong collaborative learning. Students are making their thinking visible to their peers, discussing and solving problems using the engineering design process, and recognizing their growth. As they do this it deepens and consolidates their knowledge.

Simply put, learning together makes them stronger and smarter learners (and it's fun too).

Great job all!

Don't forget Spirit Week!

KEEP THE PAW PRINT BOOKMARKED!

Once you have access to the newsletter it will update automatically, so go back at any time to see the latest version.

Older versions will be archived on our <https://wms.mtplcsd.org/parent-resources/httpsmtplcsdorgfinalsitecomfsadminsitempages1574>



Spirit Week

We're looking forward to seeing our students' fun side!



A glance at the upcoming week...

Week of 10/16 - 10/20 Spirit Week

Monday - Day D

- Pajama Day
- 2:15-3:15 pm: Peer Tutoring (Math)
- 3:15-5:45 pm: Musical Auditions (designated time slot)

Tuesday - Day E

- Barbie and Ken Day
- 2:15-3:15 pm: Peer Tutoring (Chess)
- 2:30-4:30 pm: Science Olympiad
- 2:30-3:15 pm: Meistersingers
- 3:15-5:45 pm: Musical Auditions (designated time slot)

Wednesday - Day F

- Western Wednesday
- 2:15-3:15 pm: Peer Tutoring (ELA and Science)
- 2:20-3:20 pm: Environmental Club
- 2:30-3:15 pm: Jazz Band
- 2:45-3:15 pm: Student Council

Thursday - Day A

- Mismatch Day
- Boundless Adventure Class Trip for 7th Grade
- 2:15 - 3:15 pm: Peer Tutoring (Social Studies and LOTE)

Friday - Day B

- Westlake Spirit Day

Upcoming Dates:

- October 21st- Homecoming Football Game
- October 27th - Trunk or Treat at WHS Parking Lot
- October 28th - The Haunting at WMS 5:00-8:30 pm

Important New Information, Upcoming Events, and Reminders



October 28th - The Haunting At Westlake Middle School

- **Students MUST be accompanied by an adult.**
- The event is for students 7 and over.
- \$10 entry per participant - cash only.
- Sign up in advance using this link:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E044BA9A623A1FD0-44608320-wmshalloween#



NJHS Food Drive Message From Jeffrey Sliss!

I had no idea food could drive, but it has parked here at Westlake Middle School. The Middle School is currently running a food drive from now until October 20th. If you or your child would like to donate any non-perishable foods, such as pasta, sauce, rice, soup, instant potatoes, cereal, and many other things, your child can drop it off in Room 107 or in the main lobby. All food will go to Mt. Pleasant Food Pantry. Thank you for your considered patronage, and let's go Wildcats!!

-- Jeffrey Sliss



Celebrate Homecoming

Celebrate homecoming with Westlake color-themed doughnuts from Duck Doughnuts.



WHS PTA Spirit Week Fundraiser

Show your spirit by decorating the town. More to come about spirit week events.



October 27th at 4:00 p.m. - Trunk or Treat

The WMS Student Council Halloween Event will take place in the WHS Parking Lot.

If you are interested in decorating a car contact Ms. Brianna Iannone: biannone@mtplcsd.org

Principals' Leadership Group - Snapshots of What's Happening at WMS



Student Leadership and Initiative

Our 8th Graders selected pathways for their Community Leadership Projects. We are in the research and planning stage, but that hasn't stopped many of our students from finding ways to help. Two 8th Graders are helping promote literacy and beautify their school environment by designing a 6th Grade bulletin board.



Making Thinking Visible

Using pictures and models in math to show and tell how a complex problem is solved.



Testing and Improving

Using the engineering design process to measure and improve a machine.



Celebrating Growth

Recognizing the process and improvements that resulted in success.



Problem Solving and Reading Carefully

Jeffrey Sliss was the winner of the Google Form Problem we sent last week. Look for more challenges in the coming week.



Westlake Wildcat Sports

Please check the Westlake Wildcats Sports Calendar for ANY updates or changes.

CALENDAR: <http://www.westlakewildcats.org/calendar>

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Maria DiNota, Athletic Secretary at mdinota@mtplcsd.org

Westlake Middle School Website

Mount Pleasant Central School District Website

