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DON'T FORGET THE UPCOMING VOTE ON THE INSTRUCTIONAL BOND ON DECEMBER 12th!

Principal's Message

December 1, 2023

It's December and we're getting into the spirit of the season next week with our Winter Concerts. We hope to see you there. And, don't forget about our performances of Elf Jr. in the new year. Look out for information about dates and ticket sales. Thank you to all of our performing arts teachers and those involved and supporting our students put on such great performances.

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A glance at the upcoming week...

Week of 12/4 - 12/8

- Monday Day F
 - 2:15-3:15 pm: Peer Tutoring (Math)
 - 2:25-3:15 pm: Spanish Club (All Grades)
 - 2:45-4:00 pm: Science Olympiad
 - 2:30-3:30 pm: Musical Elf Jr. (Select Group)
 - 3:30-5:00 pm: Musical Elf Jr Acting (Select Group)

Tuesday - Day A

- 2:15-3:15 pm: Peer Tutoring (Chess)
- 2:30-3:15 pm: Meistersingers
- 2:30-3:30 pm: Crew Meeting Elf Jr.
- 3:15-5:00 pm: Musical Elf Jr Acting (Select Group)
- 2:45-4:00 pm: Science Olympiad

Wednesday - Day B

- 2:15-3:15 pm: Peer Tutoring (ELA)
- 2:20-3:20 pm: Environmental Club
- 2:30-3:30 pm: Jazz Band
- 2:45-4:00 pm: Science Olympiad
- 2:45-4:45 pm: Baker's Club
- 3:00-4:00 pm: Elf Jr. Dance Rehearsal (Select Group)

Thursday - Day C - 7th/8th Grade Winter Concert

- 2:15-3:15 pm: Peer Tutoring (Social Studies)
- 2:30-3:30 pm: Musical Elf Jr. (Select Group)
- 2:30-3:30 pm: Crew Meeting Elf Jr.

Friday - Day D

- 3:00-4:00 pm: Elf Jr. Dance Rehearsal (Select Group)
- 4:00-5:00 pm: Elf Jr. Acting Rehearsal (Select Group)

Upcoming Dates:

• December 12th - 6th Grade Winter Concert

Bulletin

Important New Information, Upcoming Events, and Reminders

PTA Holiday Boutique

Our annual holiday boutique is coming up. Thank you to The PTA for organizing and running this for our students.



WMS PTA Standard Membership Raffle

Win a \$50 gift card to Wood & Fire in Pleasantville. To be entered to win all you need to do is sign up to be a member of the WMS PTA Standard level or make an open donation amount of \$25 minimum. All you need to do is join the WMS PTA (if you haven't already) for a chance to win the gift card.



All WMS PTA standard memberships or open donation amount of \$25 minimum collected by December 31, 2023 qualify for the raffle drawing. Please follow this link to become a member or to make a donation: https://wmspta18-19.memberhub.com/store

The winner will be announced January 5th, 2024!

Joining the WMS PTA helps us offer educational and cultural programs to students. Membership dues support programs such as cultural arts, field days and ice cream socials, grants for Wellness Day, teacher and staff appreciation, additional supplies and resources for the classrooms, class trips/scholarships, and Woo Hoo Welcome, to name a few.

DON'T MISS OUT on the WMS PTA Membership Raffle! Join Today!

December 7th at 7:00 p.m. - 7th and 8th Grade Concert

Arrival Times/Locations:

- 8th Grade Chorus 6:15PM, HS Far Cafeteria
- 7th and 8th Grade Band 6:15PM, HS Band Room
- 7th Grade Chorus -7:15PM, HS Far Cafeteria



*Please note, Jazz Band and Meistersingers will only be performing at the 6th grade concert on Tuesday, December 12th.

December 12th at 7:00 p.m. - 6th Grade Concert with Jazz Band and Meistersingers

Arrival Times/Locations:

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- Jazz Band 6:30PM, HS Band Room
- 6th Grade Band 7:15PM, HS Band Room
- 6th Grade Chorus 7:15PM, HS Far Cafeteria

It's Concert Jime!

Benjamin Appel and Erin Sica WMS Music Teachers

December 13th at 6:00 p.m. - PTA Book Study

We had our first PTA Book Study session this week and will be sharing our takeaways with you and encouraging you to join the next session.



Our goal is to provide some concrete strategies for approaching the middle school issues that we all face as parents. It is also very powerful to hear the challenges that others face and build partnerships to meet the challenges and get to all the good stuff that comes with having kids.

Principal's Leadership Group - Snapshots of What's **Happening**

6th Grade Math Lab

Our 6th graders are working together to determine the appropriate classification of real numbers. Once they finished categorizing them, they had to order the numbers from least to greatest. In all Math Classes and in our Math Lab students focus on our Standards of Mathematical Practice. Here our mathematically proficient students communicate precisely to others. They try to use clear definitions in discussion with others and in their own reasoning.



https://www.nysed.gov/sites/default/files/standards-formathematical-practice.pdf

7th Grade Math Lab

Our 7th grade students are being put to the challenge of solving polynomial questions. Solving these complex problems takes more that just math skills. Our Math Lab Learners sharpen their collaboration and commination skills regularly



Westlake Wildcat Sports

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

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

Athletic Office contacts:

Shawn Baumann, Athletic Director at sbaumann@mtplcsd.org

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Save The Dates

April 13th from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

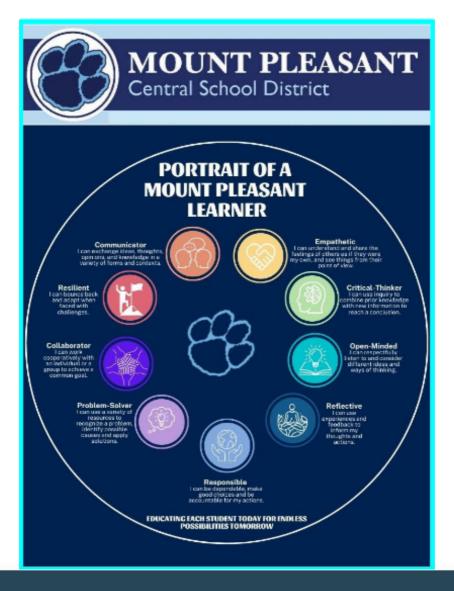
Save the date for the Multicultural Celebration Scavenger Hunt at Columbus Elementary!

Sign Up for A Cultural Display Booth. Make a fun booth with your kids to share their culture and heritage.



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