

WMS Paw Print 2024.03.01

Bringing you the middle school scoop...

Principal's Message

March 1, 2024

It's been a great first week back from Winter Break. We're looking forward to spring and the warm weather. It is also that time of year that we begin thinking about transitions. We are planning our 5th Grade Columbus Elementary Student visit to Westlake Middle School and Parent Orientation. We are also, for the third year planning our 6th and 7th Grade Parent University to discuss the transitions that occur while in middle school and will share the date for this event as soon as we secure one.

The changes in expectations and navigating school and life in general for an incoming 6th Grader compared to the middle of the year in 8th Grade can be pretty significant. Past topics, which will be the primary focus moving forward include things like time management, work load, and self-advocacy; all related to academic success. We will also focus on increasing levels of responsibility, the importance of communication across all subjects as a way of consolidating learning, the positive role that challenges play in our lives, and how perspective-taking helps us all create an environment where all learners can succeed. More to come.

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A glance at the upcoming week...

Week of 3/4-3/8

Monday - Day B

- 2:15-3:15 pm: Peer Tutoring (Math)

Tuesday - Day C

- 2:15-3:15 pm: Peer Tutoring (Chess)
- 2:30-3:15 pm: Meistersingers
- 7:00 pm: WMS 8th Grade Trip Parent Meeting

Wednesday - Day D

- 2:15-3:15 pm: Peer Tutoring (ELA)
- 2:20-3:20 pm: Environmental Club
- 2:30-3:15 pm: Jazz Club

Thursday - Day E

- 2:15-3:15 pm: Peer Tutoring (Social Studies)
- 2:30-3:15 pm: Yearbook Meeting

Friday - Day F

Upcoming Dates:

March 14th: Spring Institute - Half Day for Students

March 15th: 7-9pm 6th Grade Glow Party (WMS Gymnasium)

March 25th - April 1: School Closed for Spring Recess

Weekly
Bulletin

Important New Information, Upcoming Events, and Reminders

March 20th - Internet Safety Presentations

On March 20th, students in grades 6-8 will be engaged in an internet safety presentation from the Westchester District Attorney's Office that addresses safe and appropriate online behavior. It covers online behavior children should avoid so that they don't put themselves in danger of becoming a victim or the target of an investigation. It also covers how people may not be truthful about their identity while online. If you have any questions please reach out to Ms. Outhouse.



March 15th at 7:00 p.m. - 6th Grade Glow Party

6th Graders are invited for some music, dancing, games, fun, and more. We hope to see you there. Thank you to our PTA for organizing this event.



May 17th - WMS PTA Baseball Night

The PTA welcomes you to a great fundraiser, featuring The New York Yankees vs. Chicago White Sox!



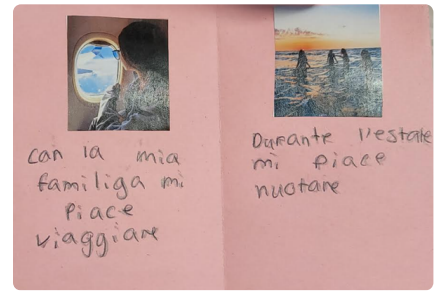
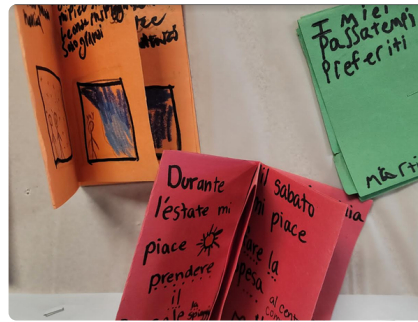
March 18th from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. - Mt. Pleasant Visual Arts Festival

Get ready for one of the greatest events of the year. We look forward to a spectacular display.

Get a sneak preview on some of the amazing art. Thank you Dr. Cowles!







7th Grade Spanish

Students are thinking about their future, putting themselves in the shoes of others, and dreaming big - in Spanish!!



Winning

Exploring

Practicing

Save The Dates and Flyers

FIESTA ILUMINADA

15 de marzo 7-9PM

\$25

SEXTO GRADO

Gimnasio del colegio



Musica, baile y juegos
Ropa que se ilumina preferida

<https://6th-grade-glow-party.cheddarup.com>

¿Preguntas? - dmunozhurdis@yahoo.com

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GLOW PARTY

March 15 7-9PM

\$25
admission

6TH GRADE

Westlake Middle School Gym



Music, Dancing, & Games
Wear something that glows!

<https://6th-grade-glow-party.cheddarup.com>

Questions? - Lianne.pisci@gmail.com



WMS BASEBALL NIGHT

NEW YORK YANKEES VS CHICAGO WHITE SOX

YANKEES



VS

WHITE SOX



\$70 PER TICKET

TICKET PURCHASE INCLUDES A FOOD & DRINK VOUCHER AND A YANKEE BACKPACK

**FRIDAY, MAY 17TH 7 PM
YANKEE STADIUM**

TICKET AVAILABLE AT [HTTPS://WMS-PTA-YANKEES-FUNDRAISER-COPY.CHEDDARUP.COM](https://wms-pta-yankees-fundraiser-copy.cheddarup.com)



THE CAVE

Located in Bethel, CT

For Grades 6, 7, and 8

FEBRUARY
21st

Join us for mini-golf, laser tag, ropes course, bumper cars! Each participant will receive a \$10 game card!

The bus will leave the Mt. Pleasant Community Center at 10am and return at 4pm

Resident Fee: \$60

Non Resident Fee: \$72

Activity #: 911234 A

Scan to register!



Register with the Mt. Pleasant Recreation Department!



Registration is now open for the following:

Tee-Ball 5 & 6 (Co-Ed)

Baseball AA/AAA 7 & 8

Minors Baseball 9 & 10

Majors Baseball 11 & 12

Softball 8U, 10U & 12U

Please visit Shermanparkll.com to register

Early Bird discount ends 1/15/24

Registration closes 2/24/24

Westlake Middle School

CLASS OF
2024

Save the Date

8th Grade Moving Up Dance

Sponsored by the WMS PTA

Club Infinity

404 Irvington Street
Pleasantville

June 25th

7:00-10:00

Full Buffet Dinner

&

DJ



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

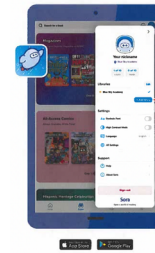
Maria DiNota, Athletic Secretary at mdinota@mtplcsd.org



Sora Access

Keep reading! Sora is a digital reading option that all students have. Students can access Sora through Classlink or by following these instructions. Thank you Ms. Rotanelli.

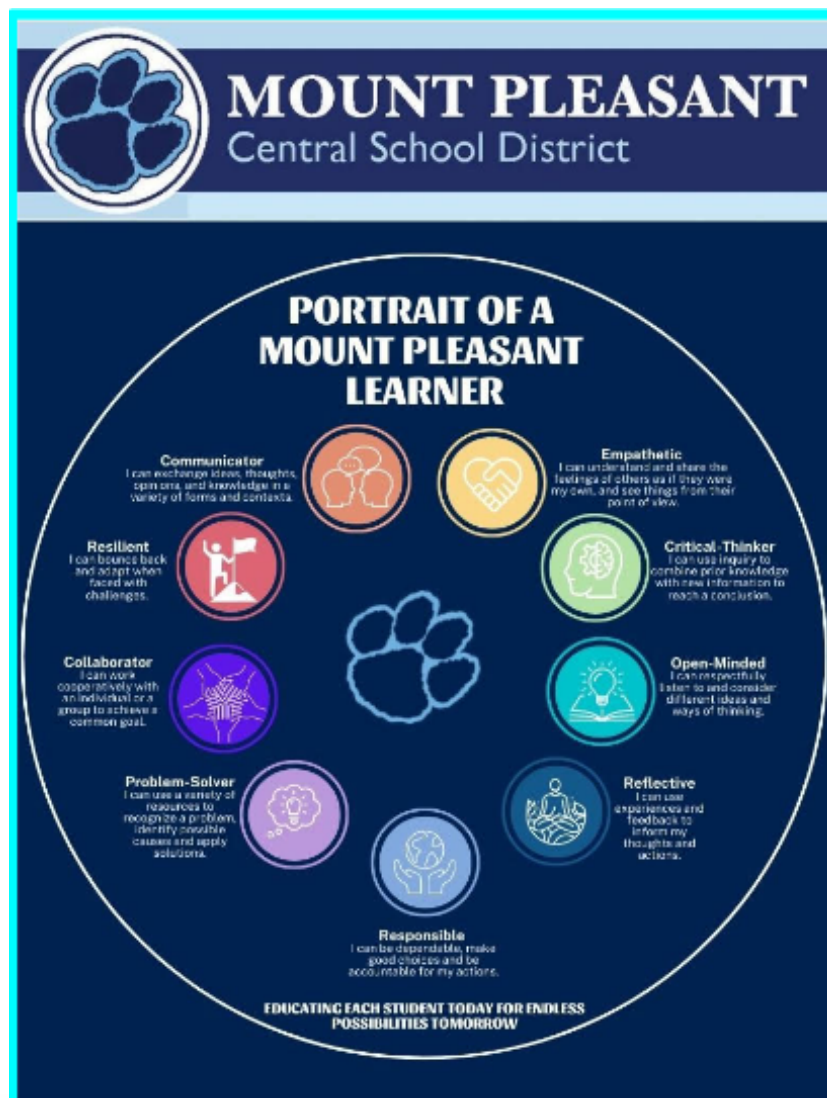
Sora offers the ability for students to explore age-appropriate digital books from NY Reads



- Here's how to access titles from this State-wide collection through Sora:
1. In Sora, sign into Southern Westchester BOCES with your school district credentials.
 2. Click or tap menu icon and select Add library.
 3. Use the search box to find and select NY Reads.
 4. Find and select your school district to continue.
 5. Sign in with your school credentials.
 6. Now when you search for books, it will look in both collections. When browsing, you can choose which collection to look at.

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Mount Pleasant Central School District Website



Anthony Mungioli

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