

The Wantage Times

October 1, 2021

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Principal's Message

As you are aware, one of our beloved staff members, Mr. Allen Terwilliger, 5th grade teacher at Wantage School and Care Program Director, recently passed away. Mr. "T" was an *amazing* teacher who had such a positive influence on so many students, staff, parents, families and Sussex-Wantage community members.

In order to develop a comprehensive approach to honor Mr. Terwilliger's legacy over the long term, we will host a virtual Remembrance Committee meeting on Tuesday, October 5th @ 4:00 pm. Any parent/guardian who wishes to participate is welcome to attend. Parents and guardians should RSVP to dpsych@swregional.org.

We truly appreciate everyone's support and thoughts during this extremely difficult time. Please don't hesitate to reach out if your child is in need of any additional support.

Sincerely,

Christopher Gregory
Principal



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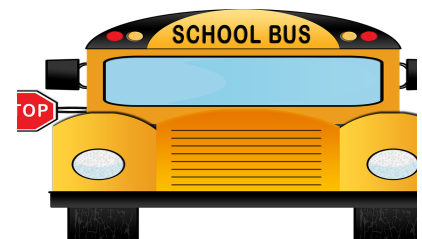
Drop Off & Pick Up

Please be advised that drop off is in the rear of the building and occurs between 8:15 a.m. and 8:45 am. Please exercise caution when dropping off your children. We respectfully request that children exit the vehicle on the passenger side closest to the building for safety.

For pick up, parents and guardians should park on the lower lot or near the playground. Pick up is located in the cafeteria and begins at 3:20 pm. Please have identification available when you pick up your child.

The parking area for pick up will be closed until 3:10 pm. We respectfully request that you do not arrive before then. We appreciate everyone's support with our procedures to ensure the safety of all of our students.

Note: Please wait for the school bus to come to a complete stop with the red lights flashing prior to letting your children approach the bus.



Dates to Remember

10/4-10/8- Week of Respect
10/5- SWPTO Virtual meeting
10/6- 4th Grade BTSN
10/7- 3rd/5th Grade BTSN Basic Skills Meeting
10/11- School Closed Professional Development for Faculty & Staff
10/18-10/22- School Violence Awareness Week
10/25-10/29- Red Ribbon Week

Please send students to school with a proper fitting mask



**Animal Rescue Supply Drive
October- December**

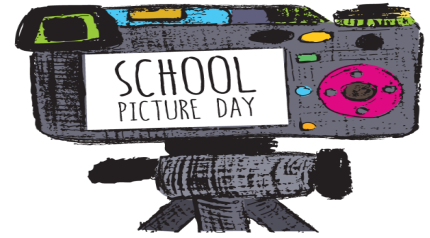


**4th Grade
Wednesday, Oct. 6th
7pm - 8:15 pm**

**3rd & 5th Grade
Thursday, Oct. 7th
7pm - 8:15 pm**

**Thursday, Oct. 7th
Basic Skills meeting
6:30- 7 pm**

This year, Back to School Night will have a few changes due to Covid-19. Please note that if you have any symptoms of illness, we ask that you do not attend. Additionally, we ask that only one parent/guardian attend whenever possible. We will not be holding a presentation in our auditorium in an effort to reduce large gatherings and the potential of transmission. Masks are required to be worn over your nose and mouth and hand sanitizer is available throughout different locations in the school building for your convenience. Lastly, staff members are required to remain 6 feet away from attendees as well as other staff members.



**WES Picture Day
Monday, October 18th**

**October 4-8, 2021
Week of Respect**

**October 4th- Wash OUT Bullying!
Wear Blue**

**October 5th- "Everyone Counts"
Wear clothing with numbers**

**October 6th- "School is a Safe
Place to Be Yourself"
Wear mismatched clothing**

**October 7th- "United We Stand
for Respect"
Wear Red, White & Blue**

**October 8th- " Super Hero Day"
Wear clothing that represents a
hero/ Team Jerseys**



Parent Portal

Realtime Notification is the primary means of communication for school closings, emergencies and general notifications.

Parents/Guardians will need to update their contact information and complete a series of yes or no questions prior to accessing features like their child's schedule or homeroom teacher. Should you have any issue logging into your parent portal account please email your child's school secretaries for assistance.

Please follow the directions below to log into the Realtime Parent Portal:

<http://fridayparentportal.com/sussexwantage>

Enter the Portal Code, Username and Password

You can also access the Parent Portal by logging into our District Website:

www.swregional.org

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SWPTO

Family Membership sign-up is open! We are so excited for the school year to begin and your \$5 per family membership fee goes a long way to help us provide programs, materials, and events at our schools. 🍎

Families can sign up here:

<https://forms.zohopublic.com/sussexwantageptomembershipsignuppa>
[ID/formperma/SfOKSGp9fi06_oL5M-AzXJ9MQd_g-kwKxOwj1c0iYc](https://forms.zohopublic.com/sussexwantageptomembershipsignuppa)

All info is on our website

<https://www.swpto.org/>



SKI &

Snowboard Club

Do you enjoy skiing or snowboarding? Ski Club is the PERFECT club for you to join! Ski Club occurs in January and February of each school year and takes place over the course of five consecutive Fridays. We go to Mountain Creek in Vernon, NJ.

Forms are available at the Main Office.

Free Breakfast (8:10-8:45 AM) & Lunch available to all students.

A poster for a self-guided tour of historic sites in Sussex County. The top half has a red background with white text and a QR code. The bottom half has a white background with black text. The Sussex County Arts & Heritage Council logo is on the right side.

ON OCT. 9TH & 10TH, ENJOY COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND AND TAKE A SELF-GUIDED TOUR OF OUR COUNTY'S HISTORIC SITES

QR code to sussexcounty.org

Take the opportunity to explore the region and discover the history and uniqueness of Sussex County. Information will be posted at SCAHC.ORG/EVENTS - including an updated interactive map, showing other area museums and locations of interest.

Sussex County Arts & Heritage Council

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