

The Wantage Times

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Principal's Message

I hope this Newsletter finds everyone well and in good health. First off, I would just like to reiterate how thankful I am to be the Principal of the Wantage Elementary School.

The 2020-21 school year provides us with multiple learning opportunities which include Remote and Hybrid Learning, The Wantage School Staff has been exceptional with providing "Remote Learning" coupled with "in person" opportunities for our students to meet the various needs of our families.

I could not be more impressed with the positivity and enthusiasm regarding everyone's "Virtual Learning" and "in person" experiences here at WES. However, I also understand that staff, students, parents and families are continuing to witness various challenges as we circumvent uncharted territory with our current learning paradigm.

It is my goal to continue to be supportive of this temporary new learning experience and provide the necessary guidance to enable our students to achieve their greatest potential regardless of whether they are participating in school or through remote learning.

Bottomline is that student learning is more of a collaborative process than ever before and it is not possible without the support of all of us. With that being said, I believe there are no limits to what we can accomplish with the *Right Attitude; a Positive Mindset; and a Committed Team.*

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me with any questions, concerns or any ideas you would like to share. I appreciate your continued support and involvement in the learning process.

Sincerely,

Christopher Gregory
Principal

Welcome Back
2020-2021

Parent Portal

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

<http://fridayparentportal.com/suss/exwantage>

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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CAUTION

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. Temperature checks will be taken prior to entering school.

For pick up, parents and guardians should park on the lower lot or near the playground. Permanent pick up is located in the cafeteria while daily pick up is located near the playground entrance. Pick up 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

10/5-10/9- Week of Respect
10/12- School Closed (Columbus Day) Professional Development for Faculty & Staff
10/15- Virtual Back to School Night *Videos posted at 6:00 pm
10/19-10/23- School Violence Awareness Week
10/26-10/30- Red Ribbon Week
10/28- BOE meeting at SMS @ 7 pm
11/3- All Virtual Day



We are excited to announce that we now offer a new online payment system called PaySchools Central. PaySchools Central provides all parents in our district with an easy way to manage lunch and breakfast accounts. This can all be done in the convenience of your own home through an easy-to-use online portal:

www.payschoolscentral.com

You will need to register at the link above. Additional information can be found on our school website under the food service tab within the department section or in the parent portal.

If you need help along the way, please contact PaySchools

pcs_help@payschool.com or 1-877-393-6628

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



North Jersey Walk

Saddle River County Park-Otto
C. Pehle Area

Saddle Brook, NJ 07663

October 24th 2020 10AM

<https://leadrugs.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4b18f153138630c338c26c897&id=102b7b029a&e=905fd3f187>

WES Virtual Back To School Night

October 15th, 2020
Videos posted @ 6:00 PM

Week of Respect

October 5-9, 2020

October 5th (A Day)

"Stomp Out Bullying!"

***Wear blue or change your avatar picture to wearing blue or use a blue background**

October 6th (B Day)

"Everyone Counts"

***Wear clothing with numbers on it**

Go to Miss Kohler's classroom & write one thing you like about yourself & one act of kindness you plan to do today.

October 7th (All Virtual Day)

"School is a Safe Place to Be"

***Dare to be different- wear mismatched clothing**

Join Miss Kohler's google meet @ 2:30 (link in google classroom) for a special discussion about why it's AWESOME to be different and a dance party!



October 8th (A Day)

"United We Stand for Respect"

***Wear Red, White, & Blue**

Teachers will record classes saying the Upstander Pledge or students will record themselves saying the pledge to show unity.

October 9th (B Day)

"Hero Day"

***Wear clothing that represents a hero**

Share a post in Miss Kohler's classroom about who your hero is and why. You can also share a picture or create a video. Write three things you are going to do to give back to your community.

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