

# WAITS RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL

## WILDCAT WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Principal: Mrs. Carlotta Simonds-Perantoni

WRVS (802)439-5534 Cell: (802)431-5172  
carlotta.simonds-perantoni@oesu.org

December 5, 2025



*Season's Greetings!*

### Wildcat Events



### DECEMBER

**MONDAY, DEC. 8<sup>TH</sup>**  
8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CANDY CANE  
FUNDRAISER BEGINS

**THURSDAY, DEC. 11<sup>TH</sup>**  
2<sup>ND</sup> CHANCE HOLIDAY SHOP

**MONDAY, DEC. 15<sup>TH</sup>**  
HOLIDAY SWEATER DAY

**TUESDAY, DEC. 16<sup>TH</sup>**  
WINTER FEAST  
(SNOW DATE - 17<sup>TH</sup>)

**WEDNESDAY, DEC. 17<sup>TH</sup>**  
PREK-5<sup>TH</sup> WINTER  
CONCERT @ 6 PM  
(SNOW DATE - 18<sup>TH</sup>)

**FRIDAY, DEC. 19<sup>TH</sup>**  
GRINCH DAY

**MONDAY, DEC. 22<sup>ND</sup> –  
FRIDAY, JAN. 2<sup>ND</sup>**  
NO SCHOOL –  
HOLIDAY BREAK

### DECEMBER 5, 2025

It was wonderful to welcome our scholars and staff back to school this week. We hope everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving holiday!

Basketball season is underway! Many thanks to our volunteer coaches. Your commitment to our scholar athletes is commendable and very much appreciated. Please reference our [website](#) for the Athletic Handbook and our two codes of conduct; the Student Athlete Code of Conduct and the Parent & Spectator Code of Conduct, and the Basketball Schedule (subject to change). Additionally, our school nurse must have a physical on file for each athlete and it must fall within the last two years. Please email Carla Horniak with any questions at: [carla.horniak@oesu.org](mailto:carla.horniak@oesu.org).

The next two weeks are going to be very busy at WRVS and we look forward to you joining the festivities. Our **Holiday Feast** will be on Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. If you plan to attend and have not already signed up, you can do so [here](#). Please plan to enter through the main entrance where you will be escorted to the gym to meet up with your child. There is limited handicap parking near the gym entrance. If your child will be leaving school early with you that day, please send them with a bus note. In the past we have been fortunate to have grant money to cover the cost of this meal; unfortunately, that is no longer the case.

If you are so inclined, there will be a basket where we will accept donations for the meal. This is completely optional and we look forward to you joining us. In order for the kitchen staff to adequately prepare for the number of people who will be attending, we ask that you make your reservation no later than Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>.

The highly anticipated **PK-5 Holiday Concert** is Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM; snow date will be Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup>.

Wishing everyone a joyous holiday season!





## BASKETBALL

Please be sure to send in a **NOTE** for your scholar to stay after if their practice starts at 3:00 PM.

You can find the schedule on our website:

[WRVS December Basketball Schedule](#)

### WRVS Athletics Questions/Concerns

Please reach out to Jennifer Chaffee, WRVS Athletic Director, with any questions you may have via email:

[jchaffee18@gmail.com](mailto:jchaffee18@gmail.com) .



**Waits River Valley School  
After-School Program  
Monday – Friday  
(Except for Holidays & Half Days)  
3:00 – 5:00 PM  
Cell Phone (After 3:00 PM):  
802-486-9349**



For information or to sign-up your scholar, please call, 802-439-5534, or visit our website:  
<https://www.wrvschool.org/families/after-school-program>

## BLAKE MEMORIAL LIBRARY



### **SCREEN TIME & GROWING MINDS: What The Science Tells Us**

**Monday, Dec 8 @ 6:00**

**Join us for a JUDGEMENT-FREE conversation about one of today's most challenging Parenting Topics: Social Media, Phone Use, and Creating Healthy Digital Boundaries for Our Children.**

Dr. Bill Hudenko, a professor at Dartmouth College, will lead us through a presentation designed for all parents - whether your children haven't yet entered the digital world or are already navigating smartphones and social media.

He will ground us in the science, discussing how young brains respond to phone use and will offer evidence based suggestions and strategies for creating healthy technology boundaries with our children.

This is an invitation to join other families for real conversations about the challenges we all face. No perfect parents required—just caring ones doing their best in our digital age.

RSVP appreciated -  
[khotellingbml@gmail.com](mailto:khotellingbml@gmail.com)

**FREE & OPEN TO ALL**

Held at Blake Memorial Library

**NORTHEAST SLOPES  
HAPPENINGS**

**ANNUAL SKI SWAP**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>**

**9:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

This event is a great time to get outfitted for gear at great bargains!

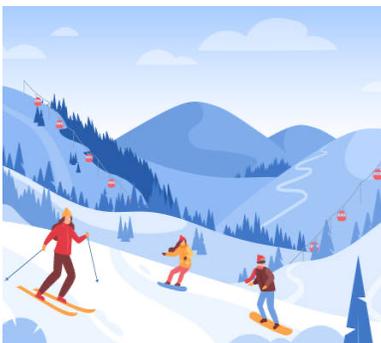
**LIFT OPERATOR TRAINING**

**SAT., DEC. 6<sup>TH</sup> @ 1:00 PM**

**SUN., DEC. 7<sup>TH</sup> @ 10:00 AM**

NES is looking for lift operators for the upcoming season. Even if you've helped out before, NES insurance requires a yearly training to be on the list of qualified lift operators.

Trainings for the T-Bar and small tow take about 90 minutes. Dress warmly for the training!



**STAFF SPOTLIGHT**

This week's staff spotlight is a person easy to describe and celebrate...so here it goes. (Drum Roll Please)

MRS. CHAMPION - one of our amazing kindergarten teachers. Mrs. Champion is kind, sensitive, brilliant, compassionate, professional, hardworking, constantly smiling, ever so generous with her heart and knowledge...and pretty amazing!

Mrs. Champion facilitates a learning community that is full of curiosity, movement, exploration and just constant joy. She is an amazing teacher and an amazing colleague; she is an amazing human.

Thank you for all you bring to WRVS Mrs. Champion! You instill a love of school as a kindergarten teacher and we love watching you perform your magic daily.



**MRS. CHAMPION  
KINDERGARTEN  
TEACHER**

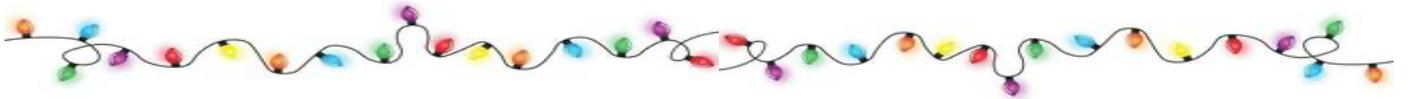


**WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!**

As winter is upon us and the holidays are fast approaching, if your family is in **need of assistance**, or **needs help accessing resources** for assistance, please contact Carlotta Perantoni, (email: [carlotta.simonds-perantoni@oesu.org](mailto:carlotta.simonds-perantoni@oesu.org), cell: 802-431-5172), or Carla Horniak, (email: [carla.horniak@oesu.org](mailto:carla.horniak@oesu.org), phone: 802-439-5534).

THIS WEEK WE ARE RECOGNIZING:  
MRS. CARTER'S 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE CLASS AND OLIVIA PUTNEY!

**WE ARE THANKFUL FOR YOUR KINDNESS!**



*Your Light Shines Bright With Kindness!*

Waits River Wildcats

# CANDY CANE FUNDRAISER

8TH GRADE SCHOLARS WILL BE SELLING CANDY CANES NEAR THE FRONT ENTRY FROM 8:00-8:15 AM, FOR \$1.00 EACH.

SALES WILL START MONDAY, DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> AND WILL GO THROUGH TO FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>.

CANDY CANES WILL BE DELIVERED TO THE CLASSROOMS ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>.

SEND YOUR FRIENDS  
A CANDY CANE!



**RENEE AND TEDDY, FROM THE EAST CORINTH & WEST TOPSHAM STORES, HAVE OFFERED WRVS SCHOLARS THE CHANCE TO HAVE THEIR NAME PUT IN FOR A CHANCE TO WIN THE "WORLD'S LARGEST CHRISTMAS STOCKING". EACH SCHOLAR'S NAME HAS BEEN WRITTEN ON AN ENTRY AND IF THEIR NAME IS CHOSEN, WRVS WILL BE CONTACTED AND WE WILL THEN CONTACT THE PARENT/GUARDIAN.**