



Home & School Connection

Windsor Elementary School

Henry County R-I School District

W.E.S. February 2017 Newsletter



Working Together for School Success

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

We have exciting news! We are having Summer School! This summer we will have Summer Journeys Enrichment Summer School for students entering Kindergarten through the 8th grade. Mark your calendars: May 30th—June 30th! Our school day will be a bit extended 7:30-3:00; doors will open at 7:15 and dismissal begins at 3pm. Be looking for enrollment information to come soon! We will be serving breakfast and lunch, and bus service will be available for eligible riders.

A few reminders:

* Please do not drop students off in the front parking lot near the gym. We have had a few students almost get hit by cars coming in and out of the lot. And, staff members have almost been hit by parents in a hurry pulling in and out. Morning Car Riders should be dropped off in the circle drive only for the safety of your child(ren).

* Meds— Students cannot have medication on them or in their backpacks. Any and all medication needs to be brought by a parent into the health office, and a medication authorization form needs to be signed by the parent.

Thank you,

Stephany Wasson

For February, we will be continuing our unit on careers and ending the month with a career fair. We have looked into the six career paths for K-4 and discussed jobs we are familiar with for each pathway. This month, we will focus on skills needed for each pathway and how our interests and skills will contribute to our future careers. 5th grade is still working on their career portfolios. Last month we looked at jobs that their career interest survey identified and talked about goals. We will continue to look into more jobs and finish out our plans of study. At home, you can talk with your student about past jobs you have had and the skills you had to use. You can discuss how the skills you may use in your job can relate to school, such as being on time, working together with others, completing work on time, being organized, etc.

During PLC time we are still focusing on mindfulness. We practiced yoga and looked at how mindfulness is shown through movies and music. We will continue some group and individual mindfulness activities to provide students with skills and options to improve their focus and attention while at school. One way to practice mindfulness at home is to ask your student to listen or look for certain objects while you're driving. You can even make it into a game and see how many new details they can find. You can also play a similar game while cooking and have them close their eyes and try to guess the ingredients by smell or taste. Both of these activities help train their brain to push aside all the extra distractions and learn how to focus on one task at a time. This is an important skill for school as students often have to focus while other distractions are going on around them.

Lauren Watkins

Character Word of the Month:

Integrity

Definition— You are acting with integrity when you do what's right even when no one is looking.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb. 9—Mit-term grades will go home or be given at conference.

Feb. 9—3:30-7pm 3rd quarter Conferences

Feb. 10—12:45 Early Out

Feb. 20—No School for President's Day

*This is a snow make-up day only if we need it!

Mar. 10—End Qtr. 3

Mar. 17-21—No School Spring Break

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