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REMINDERS

May 2nd-6th – Happy Teacher Appreciation Week!

May 30th – Memorial Day – No School

Attendance Hotline: 728-2400 ext. 2667



Update

We are officially in the final full month of this school year! As we begin this month, I am honored to recognize our amazing teachers. This week is Teacher Appreciation week; please take a moment and let our teachers know how much you appreciate them! Our PTA is also providing a variety of treats and celebrations this week.....thank you PTA!

As always, this will be a busy month. Students will finish Smarter Balanced testing. We will have a variety of music concerts to celebrate our year. Track athletes will wrap up their season this month. Teachers will be working to finalize curriculum instruction.

Thank you for sending us your wonderful students! As always, do not hesitate to reach out with questions.

Sincerely, Kacie Laslovich Principal Washington Middle School kllaslovich@mcpsmt.org

Mindful Minute

Each week, students have the opportunity to practice a Mindful Minute during WIN. They hear some instruction around mindfulness and then as a class are given a minute or two to practice. <u>Check out our recent lesson!</u>

Library

Book Swap May 19 & 20

The WMS library is seeking book donations for a Book Swap to be held on May 19 & 20. Students will use Book Swap Tickets to "buy" books. There are two ways they can earn Book Swap Tickets.

- Throughout the year, students earn Positively Extreme tickets for modeling Safe, Responsible, and Respectful behavior. They can exchange these tickets for Book Swap Tickets. 10 Positively Extreme Tickets = 1 Book Swap Ticket;
- They can earn tickets for contributing donations to the Book Swap. 1 paperback book
 = 1 Book Swap Ticket; 1 hardback book = 2 Book Swap Tickets

Donations of your gently used books can be brought to the WMS library. Contact Ms. Lipke <u>blipke@mcpsmt.org</u> or Mrs. Hossack <u>ikhossack@mcpsmt.org</u> with questions.

Library's Last Day

The WMS librarians will be working on inventory for the last two weeks of school. To help us with this process, *all library books are due back Friday, May 27*. Please do your best to return all library material by then. If any of your items are missing/lost, contact us to discuss options for replacing the item(s).

Smarter Balanced Assessments

We will be state testing in April and May. All students take the math and English language arts tests, and 8th graders also take the Science test. You will receive the results of these tests in the Fall of 2022. Testing dates are as follows:

May 2^{nd} - 7^{th} - 6^{th} Grade Math & ELA SBAC May 9^{th} - 13^{th} - 7^{th} Grade Math & ELA SBAC

Track Meets *All Meets begin at 9:30 at the MCPS Stadium.

May 5th

May 11th – Meet of Champions Qualifier

May 18th – Meet of Champions

Congratulations to our very own Camille Cellier! Camille was one of four students to represent Missoula at the Treasure State Spelling Bee. She placed 7th out of 57 students. Way to go Camille!

May Music Concerts

May $10^{th} - 6^{th} \& 7^{th}$ Grade Choir at 7 pm

May 23rd – 6th-8th Grade Orchestra at 7 pm

May $24^{th} - 6^{th} \& 7^{th}$ Grade Band at 7 pm

May 31^{st} – Jazz Band & 8^{th} Grade Band at 7 pm

Mrs. Schowengerdt & Ms. Fisher are requesting clean, plastic bottles for a project they will work on with their students this month. Thank you for your help!

The WMS PTA would like to thank everyone who participated in the 5 on Black fundraiser as well as all of the community support they've received throughout the school year!

<u>PTA</u>

Join us at the next PTA meeting! May 11th at 6:30 pm We meet in the library. Please enter at the main entrance on Central Ave.

If you are interested in helping with the 8th Grade Celebration, please join us at this meeting. We are planning the celebration!









And many families and friends who donated.

