

### REMINDERS

November 4<sup>th</sup> – End of the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

November 8<sup>th</sup> – Election Day – Washington is a polling location.

November 9<sup>th</sup> -Showcase Night – 4 pm to 8 pm

November 11<sup>th</sup> – No School

November 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving Break

Breakfast - FREE Lunch - \$3.25

Attendance Hotline: 728-2400 ext. 2667

#### Update

October flew by and the cold weather is here! We had a busy and productive month. Concerts, the Supaman assembly, Halloween and a lot of learning kept us busy. We were also fortunate to have our MCPS Board of Trustees visit us this past month.

We are looking forward to seeing you this month at Parent/Teacher Conferences. They will take place the week of November 7<sup>th</sup>. November 9<sup>th</sup> will be our first WMS Showcase Night; please see this newsletter for more details. Students will not have school on Friday (November 11<sup>th</sup>).

Thank you for sending us your amazing students! We look forward to the successes the year will bring us.

Sincerely,

Kacie Laslovich Principal Washington Middle School kllaslovich@mcpsmt.org

### **YEARBOOK**

\*\*\*The first WIN class to have all baby photos will earn a pizza or donut party.





### **WMS Athletics**

Boys Basketball is in full-swing. Please see the activities page on our website for the game schedule.

Games begin the first week of November!

### **Organization Support**

Every Thursday during WIN, students can come to the Commons for support organizing their binder and supplies. We have extra binders, folders and dividers to help students through this process. Let's get organized!

#### Resources

Website: <a href="https://www.mcpsmt.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=4362">https://www.mcpsmt.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=4362</a>

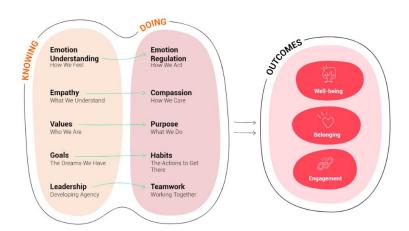
Bus Information: http://www.infofinderi.com/ifi/?cid=MCPS4CVNG54XW

Infinite Campus Parent Portal: <a href="https://missoulamt.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/missoula.jsp">https://missoula.jsp</a>

Washington Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/wmsmissoula/



During the month of November, your students will be continuing the Character Strong content each week. The topics during the month of November are focused on Community Agreements, Values and Dreams.



### **Bike Safety**

We are concerned about the safety of our bike riders. Here are a couple reminders that we encourage you to share with your student if they ride their bike to school:

\*Walk your bike to a crosswalk

\*Use the bike lane

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\*Yield to the traffic on the right in uncontrolled intersections

\*Be attentive to the traffic

\*Bike Safety Tips Flyer

### **Lost & Found**

November 4<sup>th</sup> will be the last day to pick up lost and found items. We will donate items the following week.

### Donations!

Our Media Arts class is looking for costumes, wigs, props, etc. for classroom presentations. Please bring them to the office.



#### Wildcat Hunters

With hunting season now in full swing, we know that there are numerous Wildcats out and about and on the prowl for a harvest with their bows and rifles. Mr. Smith, 7th grade teacher, is gathering harvest photos for a bulletin board to take pride in, and celebrate the skills of, our young hunters. If you have a photo (preferably not overly gruesome), email it to <a href="mailto:gtsmith@mcpsmt.org">gtsmith@mcpsmt.org</a> or have your student bring a photo to room 101. Feel free to send a photo from the hunt even if it didn't end in a harvest. Please include the name and grade of the student. But you better keep that "secret spot" a secret.

Best of luck to our Wildcat hunters!

# Help Support BPA!

BPA will be selling Pura Vida bracelets for \$8 each.

These would make great holiday gifts!

Bracelets should be here by the end of November.





#### WILDCAT LIBRARY NEWS

Happy November from WMS library!

#### Read for Treats

The month of October brought "Read for Treats" in which students could choose to read 3 books to earn a tasty treat. This year, around 20 students took advantage of this yummy incentive to read.

#### • THE BOOKFAIR IS COMING!

After many years without a book fair in the WMS library, the bookfair is back! This year, we are hosting a Scholastic Book Fair. Books will be ready to sell in the library by Friday November 4. The sale will be open to students during school as well as during Parent/Teacher Conferences and Showcase Night on November 9th & 10th! Free book drawings will be held throughout the fair for students. Please stop by the library and check out the wonderful books and items available. If you can't make it to our library during those times, check out our online book fair. You can browse and purchase November 7th through 20th. Here is our homepage link for the Scholastic Book Fair: Washington Middle School Book Fair We hope to see you there!

Stay tuned for "Nonfiction November" coming soon to WMS library classes!

Please contact Gretchen Murray (<a href="mailto:gmurray@mcpsmt.org">gmurray@mcpsmt.org</a>) or Jen Hossack (<a href="mailto:jkhossack@mcpsmt.org">jkhossack@mcpsmt.org</a>) if you have any questions.

### **WMS PTA**

**Next WMS PTA Meeting:** 

November 16th

6:30-7:30 pm

WMS Library

\*\*Enter on Central Ave.\*\*

Last month, the WMS PTA spent \$310 purchasing buzzers for Quiz Bowl and made a little over \$600 at the 5 on Black community night. Remember to sign up to be a PTA member and donate to the membership drive.

### Washington Middle School News



### **WMS Showcase Night**

We are so excited to open our doors at Washington Middle School for our first Showcase Night!

Showcase Night will take place on November 9th during parent/teacher conferences (4pm to 8pm). Families are welcome to stop by to see classroom projects, watch our Robotics team in action, view passion projects, get support with Infinite Campus and visit the PTA and FRC tables. These will be displayed in the Commons and our Silver Gym. The library will also be hosting a Book Fair; please see the website below.

Our Family Resource Center (FRC) will be taking donations this evening. We are looking for NEW reusable water bottles, individual snack items and deodorant & feminine products. There will be bins in the Commons for these items.

**Book Fair Information** 



