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JUNE NEWSLETTER

MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL WOODEN

Here we are in the final month of school. Where did the school year go? We can feel that we are at the end of the year by the weather and the excitement in our scholars' voices as they are ready to spend time resting, relaxing, and getting rejuvenated for this short summer. We truly understand their excitement. We have tried throughout the year to fill our scholars' brains with so much knowledge. As a result, we are able to see the growth of our scholars. We are so proud of all of them!



As this school year comes to an end, we want to take the time to wish all of our fifth-grade scholars the best as they move on to middle school. We will miss them. We want to thank our fifth-grade families for all the love and support you have provided to our school over the years. Always remember... once a penguin, always a penguin.

I want to personally thank all of you, our school community for a successful 2022-2023 school year. It is my hope that you and your family have a safe and relaxing summer. Those who are returning, we look forward to seeing you next school year. Those who are not returning, we want to wish you much success and well wishes for an amazing future. Thanks for making this year full of well WISHES. Let's prepare for... Mission Possible!

Happy Summer, Principal Wooden

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

June 7: Spring Concert

June 8: Fifth Grade Closing Ceremony June 13: Last Day of school for Pre-K

June 15: Last Day of school for Grades K -5



GRADE LEVEL UPDATES

PRE-K

Pre-K is looking forward to our end of the year celebration on June 9th from 12:30-1:30. It has been a wonderful year in Pre-K and we are ready to zoom in to kindergarten. We hope you have a fun filled summer!



KINDERGARTEN

Please continue to read with your scholar and review SNAP words with your scholar over the summer. Please utilize the "Step Up to First Grade" lessons in the back of the math workbook to review skills.



The Kindergarten team wishes our families a happy, safe and healthy summer! We look forward to seeing you in the fall as FIRST GRADERS!

1ST GRADE

First graders have worked tirelessly all year toward meeting and exceeding their academic goals for the 2023-24 school year! We celebrate the accomplishments of each of our special penguins as they sail into the summer and beyond! We encourage you to visit these websites for awesome ideas to keep your kiddos academically active over the summer break:



https://www.scholastic.com/parents/books-and-reading/raise-a-reader-blog/teacher-tips-summer-reading-routine.html

https://www.mathnasium.com/missionviejo/news/10-ways-to-avoid-summer-slide-and-keep-math-skills-sharp

Have a safe and wonderful summer with your family!

2ND GRADE

-On Friday June 9 (raindate Tuesday June 13), our second grade scholars will be visiting the intermediate building. They will be completing a scavenger hunt and see where they will

continue their learning next year. You do not need to do anything to prepare, we just wanted to give you a heads up!!

-Don't forget about our second grade end of the year celebration on Tuesday June 13 from 12:30-2. Please remember to send back your RSVP that was in the May 24th Wednesday folder! Just like last year, you will have a picnic lunch with your child and enjoy celebrating the end of the school year together!



-We have had an exceptional year with your second grade scholars. Thank you for all you have done to support your scholar and their teacher this year. Please have a safe and fun summer and we look forward to your scholar having much success next year and beyond! Don't forget to read, visit the library and relax this summer!

3RD GRADE

- · Celebration: Our 3rd graders survived their first year of MCAP testing. We are proud of their determination and perseverance!
- · A friendly reminder of our upcoming field trip to Ripken Stadium on June 7th. If you indicated that you will be providing a bagged lunch for your child, please be sure to send it that morning. If you were chosen to be a chaperone, please arrive at school no later than 9:00a.m.



· It's hard to believe that the school year is coming to an end! We would like to thank you for all your support throughout the school year. Please remind your child to end the school year strong by continuing to demonstrate their PENGUIN PRIDE!

4TH GRADE

Wishing all fourth-grade scholars a fun and safe summer!! Be sure to spend time with your family and friends and don't forget to read! We will see you in the fall as you enter the fifth grade!!



Love,

Fourth Grade Teachers



5TH GRADE

We are in the final stretch of the school year. Our 5th grade picnic will take place on June 5th with a rain date of June 6th. This will take place the entire day for students only. There are some important reminders for this day to note.



- Students should dress appropriately for the weather. If your child purchased a 5th grade tshirt, we will be wearing them for the picnic.
- Students need closed toe shoes to participate in all of the activities.
- Apply sunscreen/bug spray before coming to school as we will be outside in the sun the entire day.
- It is important that your child comes with a water bottle to stay hydrated.
- If your child wants to participate in tye-dye, please make sure they bring in a white shirt. June 8th will be our moving up ceremony for students. This will be held at Edgewood High School from 6:00pm-8:00pm. We are asking that students arrive no later than 5:30 at the High School.
 - Make sure that your child is dressed in their 'Sunday best' attire. We are asking that students avoid wearing jeans.
 - Each student is provided with <u>6 tickets</u>. There will **not** be additional tickets given. Students will receive these tickets on June 5th.
 - You **must** have the tickets with you in order to attend the ceremony.

We are looking forward to having a great end of the year with your students.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

4th Quarter IEP progress reports will be emailed to parents by June 16, 2023. We are so proud of the growth our scholars have made this year, and we are excited to share the final progress of the year with you!

If your child is attending Extended School Year (ESY), the first day is July 5th, 2023. OPR students will attend ESY at Deerfield Elementary. Be on the lookout for communication from the transportation department if your child will be a bus rider for ESY. Bus routes will be set by July 3, 2023.

Please see the Partners for Success - Summer Camp Newsletter for a comprehensive list of summer learning opportunities for students with disabilities throughout Harford County! https://www.smore.com/8s6vj

The Special Ed team wishes all of our scholars a restful and rejuvenating summer! See you in August!

SPECIAL AREAS- PRIMARY

P.E.: PE is participating in soccer and lawn games!

Media: Students are doing make and create based off of picture books that they have read in media. All books are due back as soon as possible.

Art: Students are ending the year with painting projects.

Music: Students will be finishing up all instruments' families and prepare for summer with summer songs.



SPECIAL AREAS-INTERMEDIATE

We have had a fabulous year in the intermediate building learning and experiencing all kinds of things in specials. We hope everyone has a wonderful and safe summer and look forward to seeing everyone in August!!!



GRADES 2-5: END OF YEAR ASSESSMENT RESULTS

Be on the lookout for End of Year assessment results in your child's Wednesday Folder. If you have any questions about these assessment results, reach out to your child's classroom teacher.

PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PLAN

Please consider providing feedback on our Parent and Family Engagement Plan for the 22-23 school year. Your feedback is important to us! <u>Click here to take a short survey.</u>

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB - LAST DAY

The last day for Boys & Girls Club is June 9th. The club will be closed to all members June 12th- June 23rd. Our summer camp will open on June 26th.

UPCOMING MENTAL HEALTH EVENT





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