



Greetings from JAC-

It was great to have everyone back in the building for a full week! We enjoyed celebrating International Dot Day by virtually reading The Dot by Peter H. Reynolds, wearing many dots and creating "dot art." Our community enjoyed the day and there were many smiles! We were also happy to welcome back our families to our Back-to-School Night. It was a pleasure to see you throughout the building.



Enjoy the weekend,
Ms. Kennelly and Mrs. Hutchinson

Date	Event
September 16, 2022	Deadline - Biographical/Emergency Contact Updates
October 5, 2022	No School - Yom Kippur
October 6, 2022	PTO Meeting: 7:30 - 8:15 AM (JAC Cafe)
October 10, 2022	No School - Columbus Day
October 18, 2022	1st SAC Meeting: 4:00 PM
October 24, 2022	No School - Diwali
October 25, 2022	Picture Day
November 3, 2022	PTO Meeting: 7:30 - 8:15 AM (JAC Cafe)
December 6, 2022	Picture Retake Day



Important Notices

Photo/Robifulli Trail Permissions - Record of Transmittal (student photo publishing permissions) and Robifulli Trail permissions are now online. **Please complete the following survey no later than Friday, September 30th.**

Handbook Reminder - Birthday Party Invitations (Pg. 20) - Party invitations should not be brought to school and birthday invitations should be distributed outside of school hours. School personnel are prohibited from releasing student information for this purpose. [WPS Elementary Handbook](#)



PowerSchool Biographical and Emergency Contact Updates:

The district needs to collect Student Emergency Contact information for PowerSchool, as well as student biographical updates (phone numbers, emails and sometimes addresses). **EVERY STUDENT** in the district needs their emergency contact information to be added. These are individuals that you would like added in addition to the parent/guardian information. Please click on this [Google Form Link](#) to add emergency contact information and to update any biographical information for your child. **Please complete this by Friday, September 16.**

This information is for PowerSchool and will need to be completed in addition to the green emergency cards that were submitted to the school nurse.

From the Director of Equity, Curriculum & Instruction Office

Grade Level Curriculum Brochures - Please click on links below to learn more about WPS Curriculum. [Grade 3](#) [Grade 4](#) [Grade 5](#)



Keeping Kids Safe and Secure Online: A Project Safe Childhood

Presentation for Parents: The United States Attorney's Office is hosting a virtual Internet safety presentation for parents the **evening of Tuesday, September 20th from 6:30 – 7:30 pm.** The presentation, entitled **Keeping Kids Safe and Secure Online: A Project Safe Childhood Presentation for Parents** will bring awareness to the dangers of the internet, including gaming and social media platforms that predators use to groom children with the intent of exploiting them sexually online or for an in person meeting. The presentation will focus on prevention by educating parents and community members how to help keep children safe online. We will be covering the following topics:



Social Media 101 & Digital Footprint, Cyberbullying, Sexting, Gaming, Victim Support, and Protecting Against Online Predation. **The presentation is free. Registration is required.** The link to register is included on the attached [flyer](#).

A Few Reminders
Community Information and Information From Previous Newsletters

Ceremony to Honor Captain Joseph Read, Participant in the Boston Tea Party: (Fairview Cemetery at Main Street & Tadmuck Rd, Westford, Saturday October 15 1PM)

The Boston Tea Party Ships and Museum (306 Congress Street, Boston MA) is hoping to find and honor the participants of the Boston Tea Party by placing a special medallion at their gravesites in time for the 250th anniversary of the famous American historical event. On December 16, 1773, the Sons of Liberty and their supporters protested "taxation without representation" by boarding a ship at Griffin's Wharf and dumping 342 chests of tea into Boston Harbor (about 45 tons, worth over one million dollars today). The event was considered to be the first major act of defiance to British rule and it inspired and rallied the 13 colonies in the fight for American independence.

One of the men on board that night has been verified as Captain Joseph Read (1716-1795) who is buried at Fairview Cemetery in Westford. Captain Read, who fought in the Revolutionary War and was a member of the Massachusetts Third Provincial Congress, was at 57 one of the oldest of the known Tea Party participants. The Westford Cemetery Department, the Veterans Services office, the Westford Historical Society & Museum, and the Westford Minutemen will be pleased to host representatives from the Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum and see Captain Read receive the honor.

Please join us for a ceremony to place Captain Read's medallion on October 15, 2022 at 1pm in the Old West Division at Fairview Cemetery (close to the middle entrance). We thank the Boston Tea Party Ships and Museum for making this happen.



Teaching Assistant Positions and Principal Aide Positions at JAC

Are you interested in becoming part of our Crisafulli School staff? We are currently looking for Teaching Assistants and Principal Assistants. Would you like to work the same schedule as your children and make a meaningful impact on our students' lives? Please contact us for more information and to express your interest in this position. We are actively interviewing candidates,



please submit your resume to JAC or School Spring at your earliest convenience to start the process.

Click on links below for details about the open positions at JAC:

2:1 [Special Education Aide-Grade 4](#), [1:1 Special Education Aide- Grade 5](#), [1:1 Special Education Aide-Grade 3](#), [Principal Aide](#) and [Before School Care](#) (2)



WESTFEST - Westford Education Foundation

Westford Education Foundation is excited to host their annual fundraiser and family fun event. WESTFEST will be held on Saturday September 24th from 12-4 at Stony Brook Middle School. There will be food trucks, DJ, face Painting, pie-in-the-face, trackless train, carnival games, shopping and much more. Please check out westford.org/wef. Please consider volunteering for this fun event! Sign up for volunteering, sponsors or if you are part of a club or organization you can fundraise at this event too as part of the funfest! All profits go to Westford Education Foundation and back into our public schools as grants for innovation in education!

Westford Education Foundation

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CORI Forms and Fingerprinting - If you are interested in volunteering throughout the year, you are required to have a current CORI form and/or fingerprinting on file. A new CORI form is required every year should you choose to volunteer for events happening at the school (i.e. field day). For events happening outside of the school (i.e. field trips) you are required to have a current CORI form and fingerprinting on file. CORI Forms can be completed in the school office anytime between 8:45 AM and 2:00 PM. If you have children in multiple schools, a CORI form will only need to be completed at one of them. For information regarding fingerprinting - Click [Here](#).



Kids and Parents: Join Destination Imagination (DI) - Parent Information Night, September 27, 2022 at the Roudenbush Center

Sign up your student(s) and yourself for the fun of DI this year, where small teams solve a [big challenge](#) while learning STEAM skills and teamwork. Visit <http://Westford.org/DI> to register by Sept. 30, 2022.

Learn more at Parents DI Info Night on Sept. 27th from 7-8 pm at the [Roudenbush Center](#), room 105 (at 65 Main Street). You'll get hands-on info about volunteering to manage a DI team, because teams can be formed ONLY if there's an adult to guide them. Using science, drama, stories, building, art, and project-management skills, it's 100% kid-powered fun!



Please consider giving our students another year of STEAM skills and creative silliness, which will help them in school and throughout life. For more information, contact Jodie K. Holway, coordinator for [DI in Westford](#).

Destination Imagination Information Sheet - [click here](#)

Prior Years iParent Report Cards - As you know we have transitioned to a new Student Information System (SIS), PowerSchool. If you want or need to retain your child's report card(s) from prior years, please log into the former system, [iParent](#), and download or print the report cards. The iParent link is <https://westford.ipassweb.net/school/ipass/syslogin.html> Report Cards can be found under Documents. Past years documents will be available to download or print until September 30, 2022. Thank you.