



A beautiful start to the week at JAC!

We ended the week with a Community Meeting focusing on "<u>An Attitude of Gratitude</u>." It was a great message as we look forward to our Student Council Food Drive for the Westford Food Pantry.



SPIRIT Calls

- A third grade student showed empathy for a friend by telling a trusted adult about the friend being sad.
- Before chorus on Monday morning and a fifth grade student waited at the door to let classmates in. It was a very kind gesture and made the grown-up smile.
- A student cleaned up recess balls at BSC without being told to do so.



Date	Event
November 11, 2022	No School - Veterans Day
November 14 - November 18, 2022	Student Council Food Drive
November 14, 2022	Conference Sign-Up Links Close - 3:30 PM
November 16, 2022	Garden Club - 3:45 PM Pickup
November 16 - November 22, 2022	Scholastic Book Fair
November 21, 2022	Early Release (11:40 Dismissal) - Parent Teacher Conferences - 1:00 - 7:00 PM
November 22, 2022	2 Hour Delay (10:15 Start) - Parent Teacher Conferences 8:15 - 10:00 AM
November 23, 2022	Early Release (11:40 Dismissal) - Thanksgiving Break
November 24 & November 25, 2022	No School - Thanksgiving Break

<u>Student Council Food Drive</u> - We will be collecting canned goods for the Westford Food Pantry from Monday, November 14th to Friday, November 18th. See <u>the attached flyer</u> for the items the food pantry is in most need of.



Conference Information:

As we prepare for the upcoming November Parent/Teacher conferences, we wanted to share details of what they will look like. We will be utilizing a hybrid model, to give parents the opportunity to meet virtually or in person with your child's teacher. Within each sign-up slot, parents will be able to choose to meet in person or virtually. Click here for more information on how to sign up. The links will be posted to our homepage (www.westfordk12.us/cs) until Monday, November 14th at 3:30 PM.

Please note the change in the traditional conference schedule. For the first time, we will have school on the day that evening conferences take place. It is an early release day for students. Also noteworthy, based on the Memorandum of Agreement created last April by the Westford Education Association and the School Committee, the conferences have been changed from fifteen to ten minutes.



Panorama Information: For more information please click here. Please notify us via the Google Form, **ONLY** if you would like your child to **OPT OUT** out of taking the surveys by November 18, 2022.

JAC Library News - Book Fair Information

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming up quickly. Please see the link for more information. https://www.scholastic.com/bf/crisafullielementary

We are in need of additional volunteers (all volunteers MUST have an approved CORI on file for the 22-23 school year). Please <u>click here</u> if you would like to help.



Community Information and Information from Previous Newsletters

WESTFORD ACADEMY THEATER ARTS presents DANCE NATION - Written by Clare Barron and directed by Audrey Seraphin '12 in the Westford Academy Performing Arts Center on November 11, 12, 17, 18, 19 at 7:30 pm and 13 at 2:00 pm. All General Admission Seats can be purchased at the door: \$18.00 for Adults & \$12.00 for Students and Seniors. Special Ticket Offers: In recognition of Veteran's Day, tickets for all Veterans will be FREE on the opening weekend. Student Night with discounted seats for all Students will be Thursday, November 17. Stay tuned for details!

Barron's <u>DANCE NATION</u> is one of the most important, relevant, powerful and challenging pieces in WATA's history. A Pulitzer Prize Finalist, Dance Nation demands that we recognize and confront the painful reality of our world's objectification of young women and the constant pressures that they endure. All of the language, trials, competition, hazing, confusion, pain, alienation and isolation that Dance Nation's thirteen-year-old protagonists combat are, sadly, elements that many of our teens face every day.

Join us, please, for a powerful (and difficult) look into their world and rally with us as we recommit ourselves to building a more safe and healthy world for all of our students and each other.

Thank you for your support. Michael Towers

WATA's production of DANCE NATION is recommended for High School Aged Students and up.



Winter Fundraiser: For the Love of Erika - November 28 - December 9

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For the Love of Erika is a toy drive that began in memory of Erika Gould, a Westford resident who passed away at the age of seven from cancer. Since her passing in 2005, FTLOE has delivered more than 40,000 presents to children in various hospitals, shelters, DCF, and other social service agencies throughout New England. In addition to this, FTLOE has also hosted holiday parties for disadvantaged children and families, provided summer camp scholarships for children in need, filled back-to-school backpacks with new clothing and supplies, donated more than 100 COVID-19 care bags, and much more!

We couldn't have done this without your help, and we are hoping that you can help us bring smiles to children in need again this holiday season. We are accepting monetary donations made through our GoFundMe page: gofundme.com/fortheloveoferika2022, or checks made out to For the Love of Erika, 3 Cutter Lane, Westford MA. 100% of monetary donations will go toward the purchase of gifts. The need for gifts this year is immense. Our goal is to raise at least \$5,000 worth of toys by December 9th.

For any questions, please contact Taylor Goodman-Leong at tgoodmanleong@gmail.com. For current updates, please check out our Facebook page: facebook.com/theloveoferika. Thank you!

wps Food Services Department is looking to hire full time and part time experienced and dedicated food service professionals to work in Westford's school cafeterias. Are you looking for a full time (28/hrs/wk) or part time (20/hrs/wk) job in a school system with great benefits? We are looking for enthusiastic cooks, general workers and daily substitutes. Summers, School Vacations and National Holidays off and best of all: no traveling to work on Snow Days! Up to ten paid holidays and sick days per year, two personal days, incentive and perfect attendance bonuses, uniform and shoe allowances, etc...Positions start immediately or upon your availability. Please email at: cwallace@westfordk12.us.