

Walnut Creek Learning Community,

We have had another great week at Creek!

I definitely missed coming to Creek this week while serving jury duty, but I was happy to be able to see our students perform at the Orchestra concert on Wednesday evening. Our kids did a phenomenal job, bravo!

This week, our morning announcements focused on the many benefits of reading for pleasure. It is so important for us to foster a love of reading in our students - knowing the many positive lifelong benefits of reading. It's important for us as adults to model this for our children. I encourage you to try to turn off the TV, and pick up a book when you can. Your kids will notice, and they do model the behavior that they see at home.

Thank you for your continued support!

NEW INFO In this week's edition:

- **Week Ahead Event Schedule**
- **Mr. Taboh Absence - Jury Duty Continues**
- **Walled Lake Middle School Equestrian Team Information**

The Week Ahead Event Schedule - NEW INFO

Monday, October 30th

- Halloween Dance After School - 3 - 4:30 PM

Tuesday, October 31st

- District Professional Development - Half Day for Students - 11:40 Dismissal

Wednesday, November 1st

- Parent Teacher Conferences - Half Day for Students - 11:40 Dismissal

Mr. Taboh Upcoming Extended Absence for Jury Duty - NEW INFO

My Jury Duty will continue next week. I will communicate when the trial has concluded.

Middle School Equestrian Team Information - NEW INFO

The middle school equestrian team will have an informational meeting on Tuesday November 7th AND Tuesday November 14th for students and parents to learn about the team and opportunity. Please see the information below:

Coach: Jennifer Saylor - yeagersaylor5@gmail.com

Location: Windmill Farm - 2444 Porter Rd. White Lake Township

Date: November 7th and 14th

Time: 5:00 - 6:30 PM

LAYA Holiday Adopt-a-Child Application - Previously Communicated

LAYA's fillable Holiday "Adopt-a-Child" application is available online at <https://www.wlcsd.org/community/lakes-area-youth-assistance>. The **deadline to apply is Friday, November 3, 2023** and we are asking and hoping that you can share this information as much as you possibly can from now through Nov. 2nd with your entire school community and encourage everyone to apply.

Halloween Dance and Spirit Week - Previously Communicated

As we start the fall season, the Student Council is very excited to announce two upcoming events for the students. They will be hosting our annual Halloween Canteen Dance on October 30 from 3:00-4:30 PM. Tickets will be sold during student lunches on Wednesday, October 25-Friday, October 27 for \$5 (cash only). Each ticket includes pizza, a drink, and lots of fun! Students are encouraged to wear their school appropriate costumes the day of the event and bring money for candy, which will be sold during the event. During the Halloween week, Student Council will also be hosting a school-wide Spirit Week (see below for the spirit week calendar):

Monday 10/30 - Halloween Costumes (Must be School Appropriate)

Tuesday 10/31 - Skeleton Style (Wear Halloween Colors)

Wednesday 11/1 - Pink Out (Wear Pink to Support Breast Cancer Awareness)

Thursday 11/2 - Keep It Comfy (Onesies/PJs)

Friday 11/3 - Hawk Spirit (Wear Your Hawk Gear)

The Student Council looks forward to a fun-filled week of Halloween and school spirit!

Book Fair and Media Center October Activities - Previously Communicated

It's BOOK FAIR TIME! October 30 – November 3 is our Fall Book Fair. Parents are welcome to shop during school hours and on Wednesday, November 1 from 4PM – 8PM. Please remember our school earns Scholastic Dollars which we use directly to purchase books for our school library and classrooms. If any parent is interested in volunteering at our Book Fair, please contact Mrs. Soffa at StaceySoffa@wlcsd.org or sign up through the volunteer link below. Thank you for your support!

Link to Volunteer

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848AAAD29A5F9CF8-44432236-walnut>

Book Fair Link

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/walnutcreekmiddleschool>

Our Halloween Book BINGO continues through the month of October. Students can pick up a BINGO sheet from either their ELA teachers or from the Library. Please encourage students to participate and win prizes!

Book Club meets EVERY Tuesday during lunch. Happy Reading!

Walled Lake Northern Fundraiser Event - Previously Communicated

The WLN Forensics Team is having a fundraiser at Walled Lake Northern High School on November 4th. We are inviting the community to sign up for a holiday photoshoot with their family.

Santa will be available upon request. The following is the link to the flyer:

https://www.canva.com/design/DAFwz5-xUIE/qENDy3WnUOtNcDNipZqXeQ/edit?utm_content=DAFwz5-xUIE&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=sharebutton

Yearbook Picture Submission Link - Previously Communicated

In an effort to support our team that is working on our yearbook, we would love it if parents would submit pictures of their children at our school events throughout the school year. Both parents and students are encouraged to submit their photos to help enrich our yearbook with pictures from this school year.

[Click here to submit pictures to our yearbook photo folder](#)

After School Math Tutoring - Previously Communicated

We are excited to announce that two of our phenomenal Walnut Creek Teacher's have agreed to continue the tradition of offering weekly free tutoring sessions for all students at Walnut Creek

Middle School. Thank you so much to Mrs. Del Pup and Mrs. Ernst for their commitment and dedication to student growth, and supporting our kids!

Students do not need to sign up prior to our tutoring days, they can just pop in for help. Our math tutoring program will follow the schedule below, beginning Tuesday, October 3rd:

6th Grade: Tuesdays, 3 - 3:45 PM

7th Grade: Wednesdays, 3 - 3:45 PM

8th Grade: Thursdays, 3 - 3:45 PM

Chess Club Dates - Previously Communicated

We are excited to announce that we will once again be offering our Chess Club With the Principal this school year! I invite all students to join me for chess in the commons after school on the following dates:

11/8, 12/13, 1/24, 2/28, 4/3, and 5/8.

Students will meet in the commons after school from 3 - 4 PM to play chess!

Thank you for your continued support,

Seth Taboh

Principal

Walnut Creek Middle School