

To go home on Sunday, June 2nd for information for the week of June 3-5th

Good evening Wentworth families; this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Our End of Year awards for Prek - 4th grade will be taking place this week in the gym and our 5th graders will be outside. You are welcome to begin arriving 30 minutes prior to the start of your child's assembly. Be sure to check out the post on class dojo this evening with more specifics about parking and arriving on campus and having that picture ID ready. We are so excited about celebrating each and every one of our students and hope you can join us!

We have lots of lost & found items in the front hallway - please check these out as you are on campus this week.

This Wednesday, June 5th is our last day of school and it is also an early release day which means we are dismissing school 2 hours early @ 12:30pm. Report cards will be going home with all students on Wednesday with 4th quarter grades and final grades for the school year.

Parents - thank you so much for your unwavering support all school year long - we are so grateful for the many many many ways you have helped to ensure such a wonderful year.

We will be keeping everyone on class dojo to continue communication with each of you over the summer. Please commit to checking this at least weekly. Classroom teachers will not be responding to personal messages over the summer, but please feel free to reach out to me anytime.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, May 26th for information for the week of May 27th-31st

Good evening Wentworth families; this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Happy Memorial Day to each of you! School will resume at regular time tomorrow, Tuesday, May 28th.

This Tuesday, 5/28 - we welcome the Seniors from RCHS who were once Wentworth students for their Senior Walk. I know you will join us in celebrating the hard work of these Seniors as we

celebrate their upcoming graduation from high school.

Make up testing for EOGs will continue each morning this week for students who were absent last week during our regular testing days.

Our Read to Achieve 3rd grade testing will take place on Thursday, May 30th for identified students.

Field Day is scheduled for this Thursday, May 30th. Our K-2 students will participate outside from 9-11am, and our 3rd - 5th grade students will be outside between 12-2pm. All students should plan to wear their field day t-shirts. These are the same shirts that students received for our Fun Run back in the fall and used throughout the year as their field trip shirt. Let's wear these together one last time this year! We continue to be grateful for all of the businesses and individuals who made these shirts possible for all of our students. If you are interested in becoming a business/ community partner for next year's t-shirts - please reach out to either Mr. Paschal or Ms. Megan in the front office to share this with them. We will follow up with you over the summer as we begin our work on next year's t-shirts.

All students should bring a change of clothes, a towel and a bag to bring their wet clothes home for Thursday. We are asking that students plan to wear closed toed shoes outside for field day that can get wet - this is a safety precaution as we do not want anyone getting any injuries while playing hard outside on Thursday.

Our End of Year awards programs begin on June 3rd in our gym. All parents and guests attending are asked to check in as a visitor in the front office upon arrival and a picture ID will be needed by everyone in order to check in. Thank you for going ahead and communicating this to others who will be joining you to celebrate your kiddo for their hard work this year.

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To go home on Sunday, May 19th for information for the week of May 20-24th

Good evening Wentworth families; this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

This week has us entered into the last 10 days of the school year which are busy and filled with end of year activities and celebrations.

This Tuesday, 5/21, we have another PTA school spirit night at Pete's Burgers and More between 4-9pm. Stop by for a quick dinner as a family and support your favorite elementary school in the district. We hope to see you there!

End of Grade or EOG testing does kick off this week beginning on Wednesday, 5/22 with reading for all students in grades 3-5. Our Math EOG will take place on Thursday, 5/23 and our Science EOG for 5th grade students only on Friday, 5/24. How can you help your child prepare at home for testing? Help your child get to bed on time in order to get a good night's rest, be on time to school and eat a good breakfast whether it be at home or at school. Our testing will begin schoolwide as close to 8am as possible each morning. We will be operating on adjusted lunch and enhancement schedules to accommodate the testing taking place in our building each morning.

Proctor training is taking place for all parents assisting us with testing this week on Monday, May 20th. We have a training session @ 7:45am and another one @ 12:15pm. Both will take place in our media center. We do ask that you sign in as a visitor in the front office and check out before you leave campus. Thank you everyone who has offered to come in Wednesday, Thursday and/ or Friday to be another friendly face in the building for our students.

All books checked out from our media center are due back this Friday, 5/24. Be sure to double check your cars, under your child's bed and maybe even in their closet for any lost books.

Don't forget that school will be closed for students and staff on Monday, 5/27 as we celebrate our Memorial Day Holiday. School will resume at regular time on Tuesday, 5/28.

Next Thursday, May 30th - we have field day taking place for all of our students. Mr. Vernon needs parent volunteers to help run our stations for students. I hope you can clear your schedule to join us for one or both field day sessions next week. Students are asked to wear their fun run/ field trip/ field day shirt one last time this school year. We continue to be grateful for all of the businesses and individuals who made these shirts possible for all of our students. If you are interested in becoming a business/ community partner for next year's t-shirts - please reach out to either Mr. Paschal or Ms. Megan in the front office to share this with them. We will follow up with you over the summer as we begin our work on next year's t-shirts.

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To go home on Sunday, May 12th for information for the week of May 13-17th

Good evening Wentworth families; this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

We want to wish a happy Mother's day to all of our Wentworth mommas - we know you are each precious to your families and we are grateful for you! We hope you are each reminded today and everyday just how wonderful you are!

The District Annual Title I safe school survey is now open - you may have seen this shared on social media. We are asking that all of you take just a few minutes to complete this survey so as a school - we can continue to grow. I am sharing the QR code on dojo today and we will share on our Wentworth social media as well throughout the month of May. Thank you for taking the time to complete this!

Both our I-ready End of year Diagnostic assessments and our mClass EOY assessments continue this week for all students in grades K-5. We cannot wait to celebrate the growth our students have made in both reading and math since the start of the school year.

This Thursday, 5/16 is our last choral concert of the school year featuring our youngest Wentworth Eagles - our sweet Kindergarten and 1st grade students. Our concert begins @ 6:30pm in our gym. We hope you will make plans to join us!

This Friday, 5/17 is the last day of the school year to check out books from our media center. Students - be sure to stop by sometime this week to grab a new book or two to read these last weeks of school. All Library books will be due in the media center on Friday, 5/24.

We have a PTA meeting this Friday, 5/17 @ 3pm in our media center - we would love to see you join us for this time.

End of Grade or EOG testing does kick off next week beginning on Wednesday, 5/22 with reading for all students in grades 3-5. Our Math EOG will take place on Thursday, 5/23 and our Science EOG for 5th grade students only on Friday, 5/24.

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To go home on Sunday, May 5th for information for the week of May 6 - 10th

Good evening Wentworth families; this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Thank you to everyone who joined us on campus this past Wednesday for our student led conferences. These are such a sweet time that our students can share about their learning - we appreciate your time joining us for these!

This week is Teacher Appreciation Week and you know as well as I do, we have the absolute BEST here at Wentworth. I encourage you to take some time this week to let our staff know just how much you appreciate them. Your child has interactions throughout the day with so many of the adults in our building - classroom teachers, teacher assistants, support staff, etc. An email from you as a parent, a handwritten note or card from a student, are the perfect ways to encourage and thank those who day in and day out support your child while they are with us. Thank you - from the bottom of my heart - for being intentional about encouraging and thanking our Wentworth staff this week.

This Monday, 5/6, our I-Ready End of Year Diagnostic window opens for all of our K-5 students in both reading and math. Students will work on their diagnostics during designated class times over the next 2 weeks. We will share information about our EOY growth in Wednesday folders on May 22.

This Tuesday, 5/7- our mClass End of Year assessment window opens up for all of our K-5 students. Over the next few weeks, our teachers will be working with students on this reading assessment and they will share results with you when our window closes and all students have been assessed towards the end of the month.

This Tuesday is also a school spirit night at Elizabeth's Pizza for our PTA. Come stop by to dine in or get your dinner to go anytime between 3-9pm - be sure to let them know you are there to support your favorite school - Wentworth Elementary!

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To go home on Sunday, April 28th for information for the week of April 29 - May 3rd

Good evening Wentworth families; this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

This Wednesday, May 1st is an early release day for RCS schools and students will be dismissing 2 hours early @ 12:30pm. Please be sure to have rides at the school and adults at the bus stop 2 hours earlier than normal. Thank you so much for sharing this reminder with

those that may help you with after school pick up and supervision.

Our student led conferences are taking place during our Early Release afternoon this Wednesday, May 1st. By this point, I hope you have each scheduled a time with your child's classroom teacher on their sign up genius links. We can't wait to see you on campus for our final Title I Parent Engagement Event of the school year.

Also on Wednesday, 5/1 - interim reports for the 4th quarter of school will be going home with each child. Please be sure to review these as they share information on how your child is progressing along 4th quarter standards and skills. Your child's classroom teacher is happy to help with any questions you may have.

On Thursday, 5/2 - our PreK and 5th grade students will be taking cap & gown pictures. It is best to wear a top with no collar - definitely no hoodies - or a white button up shirt with a collar. Any collar will show.

This Friday, 5/3 - many of our students will be participating in the Special Olympics. We have a send off parade - which is an annual tradition at Wentworth - scheduled for 9am when our students & staff will be departing for Freedom Park. Parents of any of our students participating in Special Olympics are more than welcome to join us!

If you have not already done so, please be sure to save the date for our End of Year Awards programs which will be here before you know it!

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To go home on Sunday, April 21st for information for the week of April 22-26

Good evening Wentworth families; this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Just a reminder for our upcoming Scholastic Bookfair which has arrived to the school and will be set up before the week is over, don't forget to set up your child's eWallet account for cashless, stress-less shopping. Friends and family can even contribute funds!

The link to set one up was posted by Mrs. Johnson on class dojo earlier this week.

Ewallet is the easiest way for your child to shop at the fair. Once you create the ewallet online, I will have a list of those during the fair. This way there are no worries about students losing their money or change! Additional funds can be added during the fair as well.

Our Student Led Conferences will be taking place next Wednesday, May 1st - I hope you have already signed up for your time to stop by the school with your child and visit classrooms. Students will be sharing work with you, what they have been learning and setting goals with you for the remainder of the school year. Classroom teachers will be sharing information about the end of the year testing with you as well. Our Book Fair will be open during this parent event and this is a great time to shop together with your child. We are asking for 100% participation by all of our Wentworth families. Thank you so much for intentionally choosing to partner with us!

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To go home on Sunday, April 14th for information for the week of April 15-19

Good evening Wentworth families; this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

This Tuesday, 4/16 - join us at Pete's Burgers and More for a PTA school spirit night where a portion of the proceeds will come back to our school and ultimately our students. Join us anytime between 4-9pm to grab an after school or dinner for you and your family. Be sure to let them know you are there supporting Wentworth Elementary School.

Our Kindergarten registration after hours event will take place this Thursday, April 18th from 4-6pm. If you have a child who will be 5 years old on or before August 31st, this is for you! We would love for you to share this with friends and family who may have a child who will start kindergarten with us this fall.

Our PTA has a 2nd school spirit night this week at the Roll-A-Bout in Eden from 5:30 - 7:30pm. All students are invited to join us for some fun in your roller skates! Join us this Thursday, 4/18.

Our school wide glow party is taking place this Friday, 4/19 for all students. This is a prize for raising over \$10,000 in our recent read-a-thon for our media center and our classrooms. Parents, you are welcome to send in glow bracelets and necklaces for your child and their class to have to add to the fun.

Our next PTA meeting is this Friday, 4/19 @ 3:30pm in our school media center. I invite you to

join us as we finalize teacher appreciation week plans and plans to finish out the school year.

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To go home on Sunday, April 7th for information for the week of April 8 - 12

Good evening Wentworth families; this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Welcome back from Spring Break everyone! It is so hard for me to believe that we have only 9 more weeks of this school year left - where has the time gone?!?

Our Kindergarten registration officially kicks off across the district on Monday, April 8th. If you have a rising Kindergarten student for the 24-25 school year, you are welcome to pick up enrollment packets in the front office. We will have an extended hours event here at Wentworth Thursday, April 18th from 4-6pm where we cannot wait to meet our newest Wentworth Eagles. We hope you will join us!

Spring Picture Day is this Tuesday, April 9th for all classrooms. I recently posted a digital flier on class dojo that you can look at if your paper flier has not yet made it home to you. Proofs should be available in about 2 weeks and you can then make a decision about ordering. I love seeing how much our kiddos have grown from Fall picture day to Spring picture day.

Classroom teachers will be posting sign up genius links to their class stories by Wednesday of this week. Please be sure to sign up for your Student Led Conference time on Wednesday, 5/1.

Our March lost & found items were shared on class dojo this past Thursday. I encourage you to review these and comment on the post if you see something that belongs at your house. All items remaining at the end of the day on Friday, 4/12, will be donated.

Report cards will be going home with all students this Thursday, 4/11. These report cards are for the 3rd quarter of school. If you have any questions about your child's grades, please do not hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher. Also in your child's report card envelope, we are sending home a save the date flier for our EOG testing dates for our 3rd - 5th grade students and a save the date flier for all students for our End of the Year awards grade level programs. We hope you can make plans to join us for these!

If you have not already ordered your child's yearbook - you have just about one more week!

Yearbook orders are due by April 15th.

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To go home on Sunday, March 24th for information for the week of March 25-29

Good evening Wentworth families; this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

If you have not already ordered your child's 2023-2024 Wentworth Elementary School yearbook, these are now available to purchase online. Yearbook orders will be taken through April 15th. The link was previously shared on class dojo by our yearbook lead Ms. Roberts. I encourage you to scroll through your school story and click on the link.

Mrs. Hawkins recently shared a save the date for Wednesday, May 1st which is the date of our next Student Led Conferences during this early release afternoon. We are again looking for 100% participation by our families and invite each of you to come and review student work, set goals for the last 5 weeks of school and visit our book fair together for some family shopping time. Sign up genius links will be provided after spring break where you can select the time that works best for your schedule.

On Wednesday, 3/27 - many of our Kindergarten and 1st grade families will be joining us on campus for Easter Egg class hunts. We are so excited to have you with us and want to gently remind you to bring your picture ID with you when you check in at the front office and please plan for multiple families to be checking in at the same time. We have processes in plan to speed this process up, and always appreciate your patience. Thank you for checking back out in the front office before you leave campus.

This Thursday, 3/28 is an early release day and we will be dismissing 2 hours early @ 12:30pm. Please remind those who may pick up your child from school or meet them at the bus stop - they should do this 2 hours earlier than normal.

This Friday, 3/29 is a teacher workday which means no school for students. Our Spring Break officially kicks off the following week and our school will be closed for both students and staff April 1-5. School will resume at regular time on Monday, 4/8.

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enrollment packets in the front office. We will have an extended hours event here at Wentworth Thursday, April 18th from 4-6pm where we cannot wait to meet our newest Wentworth Eagles.

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To go home on Sunday, March 17th for information for the week of March 18- 22

Good evening Wentworth families; this is Mr. Paschal calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Check In testing will be taking place this week for all students in grades 3, 4 and 5. Tomorrow, all students will take their ELA check in. On Tuesday, 3/19 - students will take their math check in and on Wednesday, 3/20, our 5th grade students will take their science check in. Check In testing will begin as close to 8am as possible. How can you help your kiddos at home? Get them in bed early - a great night's rest is always so important, eat a good breakfast and be on time to school. We can't wait to see their growth as we head into the final quarter of the school year.

Our second and third grade choral concert will begin at 6:30 PM in our gym. We cannot wait to hear all of the great music our students have been working on and look forward to seeing you there.

Also, on Tuesday evening, join us for another PTA School Spirit Night at Pete's Burgers and More anytime between 4-8pm. A small portion of the proceeds will come back to our PTA and ultimately to our students.

Join us this Thursday, 3/21 for our PTA school spirit night at the Roll-A-Bout between 5:30 - 7:30pm. The cost is \$8 per skater.

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To go home on Sunday, March 10th for information for the week of March 11- 15

Good evening Wentworth families; this is Mr. Paschal calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

We want to thank each of you parents, grandparents, neighbors, co-workers, and anyone else in our Wentworth family for your help with our Read-A-Thon. The cut off for donations to count toward incentives for our Read-A-Thon will be tomorrow morning at 8 AM. Parents, we are proud of our students. So far they have read 71,585 minutes. This means our students have raised \$14,700 dollars in donations for our school! What a great job! Our students taking a few extra minutes each day to read will allow us to purchase instructional materials for our teachers and students and new books for our media center! We couldn't do this without your support and we are so thankful.

Our PTA will be meeting this Friday, 3/15 after school beginning @ 3:30pm in our media center. Parents we encourage you to come out and find out ways you can help support our PTA in its mission to support our students and teachers.

Looking ahead to next week, our 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders will be taking their 3rd NC Check-Ins. Monday March 18th we will have our reading check-in, Tuesday, March 19th will be our math check-in and 5th graders will take their science check-in on Wednesday, March 20th.

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To go home on Sunday, March 3rd for information for the week of March 4- 8

Good evening Wentworth families; this is Mr. Paschal calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Our Annual Catch the Reading Bug festival is taking place this Saturday, March 9th at RCMS from 9AM to 2 PM. All elementary schools will have family literacy activities and crafts ready to share with you and your child. Join us anytime on Saturday from 9-2.

Our Read-A-Thon continues this week and we couldn't be more proud of our students. Did you know that our students have already logged 26,979 minutes of reading over the past week?!?

That is certainly something to celebrate! As we enter into week #2 of our read-a-thon, we ask that you continue to partner with us in raising money for YOUR school. Will you ask your family members, neighbors and colleagues at work if they will support your child as they read 30 extra minutes each day? This fundraiser is one of our very favorites because we all remember when our students came to us in Kindergarten learning letters, sounds and then putting all of that together to make words. As they progressed in school, they began reading sentences and simple picture books. As they moved to our big kid hallway, they began reading chapter books and reading to learn new information. The growth that our students see as readers in our school building is something to celebrate - thank you for all the ways you have already joined us as we celebrate their reading!

3/04- Read a Thon Day 6: Let's Get Wild! Wear anything with an animal print or something with your favorite animal on it.

3/05- Read a Thon Day 7: Send emails to friends or family with a link to your reader page

3/06- Read a Thon Day 8: Send 10 texts to friends or family and be entered into a chance to win a trip for 4 to Disney World!

3/07- Read a thon Day 9: Books Knock Your Socks off! Wear crazy or wacky socks!

3/08- Read a Thon Day 10: Book Character Day! Dress as your favorite character.

It's time to support our student athletes in this year's Special Olympics, which will take place on May 3rd. Let's help our sweet Wentworth students (David and Akira) win King and Queen of Rockingham County Special Olympics by participating in our t-shirt fundraiser! An order form was sent home with your child this past week. Forms and payment are due back by Friday March 8. Last year's sale was a huge success! Thank you for your support!

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To go home on Sunday, February 25th for information for the week of Feb. 26 - March 1st

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Lost and found items were posted on class dojo for you to look through. I encourage you to

look at each of the pictures and let us know by commenting on the post if any items need to be returned to your child. Any items remaining at the end of the day on Friday, 3/1 will be donated.

It's time to support our student athletes in this year's Special Olympics which will take place on May 3rd. Let's help our sweet Wentworth students (David and Akira) win King and Queen of Rockingham County Special Olympics by participating in our t-shirt fundraiser! An order form was sent home with your child this past week. Forms and payment are due back by Friday March 8. Last year's sale was a huge success! Thank you for your support!

Our 2nd and final whole school fundraiser of the school year will officially kick off tomorrow, Monday, 2/26 and it is our annual read-a-thon. During our read-a-thon, our students commit to reading 30 minutes extra every single day for 2 weeks. They receive pledges for this extra reading. All of the money raised will go towards the purchase of instructional materials for classrooms and new books for our media center. This is such a fun fundraiser and our students are reading even more? Yes please! If you have not yet created your child's reader page - I encourage you to do so! This week, you are invited to join us on

Tuesday, 2/27 - Flashlight day: Bring a flashlight and read with it.

Thursday, 2/29- Reading is Better with a Buddy! Bring your favorite stuffy to school to read with.

And on Friday, 3/01- Books Bring us Together: Wear your favorite Wentworth Spirit wear or school colors.

Progress reports for the 3rd grading period will be going home with all students on Wednesday, 2/28. This will share information with you about how your child is progressing along 3rd quarter standards. In addition, I-Ready Middle of the Year Diagnostic reports will be going home with all students for both reading and math and scoring information from our recent check in testing will go home with all students in grades 3-5.

I sure hope you and your family are planning to join us this Thursday, 2/29 for our Mad Science Title I Parent Engagement event - we have grade level specific workshops and assemblies for the whole family. Join us @ 5:30pm this Thursday!

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To go home on Sunday, February 18th for information for the week of Feb. 19-23

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

You guys did a great job this last week of aligning with our district's expectations of no outside food or drinks in our building - thank you to many of you who we had conversations with in the front office - you had such great attitudes about this gentle reminder. If you are unsure about this - be sure to check back to a class dojo post from last Monday, 2/12 for the full script. Thank you always for your support!

This Tuesday, 2/20, our students will get to participate in a Mad Science assembly which are oh so fun! This is to build excitement for our upcoming Title I parent engagement event next Thursday, 2/29 @ 5:30pm - have you RSVP'ed for your family yet?

On Tuesday evening, join us for another PTA School Spirit Night at Pete's Burgers and More anytime between 4-8pm. A small portion of the proceeds will come back to our PTA and ultimately to our students.

On Thursday, our students will participate in a Read-A-thon kick off during their enhancement times to officially kick off our 2nd and final whole school fundraiser which celebrates the reading our students are going to do. Each of our students are going to commit to reading 30 extra minutes, every day, for the next 2 weeks beginning on Monday, 2/26. How great is that?!? Students will either get pledges for the minutes they read or flat donations. We invite you to join us in celebrating the reading our young students will be doing.

This Thursday, 2/22 is an early release day for RCS schools and we will be dismissing 2 hours early. Wentworth students will begin dismissal @ 12:30pm. Thank you in advance for having your rides here right at 12:30pm or adults at your child's bus stop 2 hours early.

This Friday, 2/23 is a teacher workday which means no school for students. School will resume at regular time on Monday, 2/26.

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To go home on Sunday, February 11th for information for the week of Feb. 12-16

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about

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Tomorrow is the 100th day of school which is a pretty big deal. Students are invited to dress up for the day - whether it be as a 100 year old, in a shirt celebrating 100 items, or as an athlete who has tackled 100 days of school - we can't wait to show everyone off during our whole school parade tomorrow morning @ 8am. Students and teachers will have activities throughout the day centered around the number 100.

With Valentine's Day quickly approaching on Wednesday - we wanted to share some gentle reminders about Valentine deliveries to the school for our students. We would strongly encourage you to not have anything delivered to the school as items can easily get broken and/or lost. If deliveries are made to the school, we will have students pick these up at the end of the school day. Balloons, flowers and anything made of glass are not allowed on our buses. Thank you so much for your understanding!

Join us this Thursday, 2/15 for our PTA school spirit night at the Roll-A-Bout between 5:30 - 7:30pm. The cost is \$8 per skater.

We can't wait to see you on our campus Thursday, 2/29 for our Mad Science family night - one of our Title I parent engagement activities. The fun begins @ 5:30pm - save the date!

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To go home on Sunday, February 4th for information for the week of Feb. 5 - 8

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Join us this Tuesday night, 2/6 @ Elizabeth's Pizza for a PTA school spirit night. Stop by to grab dinner to go or dine in anytime between 5-8pm and be sure to let them know you are there supporting Wentworth. A small portion of the night's proceeds will come back to our PTA and

ultimately our students.

Mclass Homeconnect parent letters will be going home with all students this Wednesday, 2/7. This will share information about your child's progress along many of our early literacy skills and will also include information about how you can continue to support your child as a young reader at home.

Flower grams are being sold by our PTA as a small Valentine's fundraiser - these order forms and money are all due on Thursday, 2/8.

All classrooms have class pictures this Friday, 2/9. We hope that you will consider purchasing a class picture as a sweet memory from this school year.

Mark your calendars for next Monday, 2/12 - it is the 100th day of school which is a pretty big deal. Students are welcome to dress up and throughout the day, will participate in activities around the number 100. We have had our head in the game for 100 days and our students are so much smarter because of it.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, January 28th for information for the week of Jan. 29 - Feb. 2

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Our 2nd semester of school has kicked off and we have welcomed our new Art teacher Mrs. James to the building - we are so excited to have her with us for the 2nd semester of school. Be sure to welcome her to Wentworth when you see her on campus.

Report cards will be going home with all students on Tuesday, 1/30.

Lost and found items were added to our school story on class dojo - be sure to check out all 10 pictures for items that may belong at your house. We will be donating any items remaining after school on Wednesday, 1/31.

Our PTA will be meeting this Friday, 2/2 after school beginning @ 3:30pm in our media center.

Go ahead and mark your calendars now for a special Title I family engagement event happening

on campus later in February. On the 29th of February, everyone is invited to campus for a Mad Science family event. The fun begins @ 5:30pm and the Mad Scientists will be leading all of us in fun, science activities. We hope you can make plans to join us.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, January 21st for information for the week of Jan. 22-26

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Don't forget that both tomorrow, Monday, 1/22 and Tuesday, 1/23 are teacher workdays which means no school for students. School will resume at regular time on Wednesday, 1/24.

mClass reading assessments continue this week for all students in grades K-5. Homeconnect letters will go home with all students once our assessment window closes. Be on the lookout for these in Wednesday folders on 2/7.

I-ready diagnostic assessments will begin for all students this Wednesday, 1/24 in both reading and math. These diagnostics inform teacher instruction and create personalized pathways for each of our students. We can't wait to see how our students have grown since the beginning of the year!

Report cards will be going home with all students next Tuesday, 1/30.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, January 14th for information for the week of Jan. 15-19

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

We hope you each enjoyed your Martin Luther King Jr Holiday today. School will resume at regular time tomorrow, Tuesday, 1/16.

We have a quick mid year reminder about traffic for all of our families as we have had several new families join our sweet school and maybe your family has someone new helping with morning drop off or afternoon pick up. Each day, please be sure if you are parking in any of our handicapped parking spots, you have your handicap placard or designation up. We have multiple families and guests to our building that depend on these spaces. Each morning and afternoon, all students should exit and enter their vehicles through the passenger side only of their cars. We do ask that the driver and anyone else in the car remain in the vehicle. If you need extra time buckling up your sweet kiddo, please pull into our bus lot. Thank you so much for all of your help with this - we have a large volume of traffic on campus and want to ensure safety at all times.

This Friday, 1/19 is the last day of the 2nd grading period which also means we are 50% or $\frac{1}{2}$ through this school year. As we switch over to a new grading period and a new semester, we will be observing the semester break next Monday, 1/22 and Tuesday, 1/23 - both of which are teacher workdays for students.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, January 7th for information for the week of Jan. 8-12

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Tomorrow night, Wentworth Elementary is being recognized at the monthly Board of Education meeting for exceeding expected academic growth under North Carolina's accountability system for the 22-23 school year. We are so proud of the hard workers of our students and our staff - did you know that we have Exceeded Growth since 2017? Congratulations Eagles!

Our reading mClass Middle Of the Year Assessment window does open this Wednesday, 1/9 for all students and will remain open until Thursday, 2/1. We are excited to see how our students have grown already this year as readers and use this information to help us plan for instruction for the 2nd half of the school year to help students continue to grow. We will plan to send mclass homeconnect letters home with all families on Wednesday, 2/7.

Our PTA is meeting this Friday, 1/12 after school @ 3:30pm in our media center. We want to invite all parents to join us - we would love to have you.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, December 31st for information for the week of Jan. 1-5

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Welcome back and happy new year to each of you!

We can't wait to see each of you back on campus tomorrow, Wednesday, January 3rd as school resumes at regular time.

Lost and found student item pictures were posted on ClassDojo, just as our break was beginning. I encourage each of you to scroll back through your school story feeds and check out the pictures posted. If you see anything that belongs at your house, simply comment with an item number, and we will get it returned to you. Any items remaining after Friday, 1/ 5 will be donated.

We have another round of our Mad Science After School program kicking off on January 9th and meeting weekly on each following Tuesday from 2:30-4pm **until March 14th, entitled Crazy ChemWorks**. All K-5 students are invited to explore the magical world of Chemistry together with one of the Mad Science scientists. You can register online at triad.madscience.org

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, December 17th for information for the week of Dec. 18-19

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Join us tomorrow for our Polar Express pajama day - everyone is invited to wear their jammies to school. Just be sure to wear regular shoes as all students will still go outside for recess tomorrow. Our PTA is treating all students to hot chocolate tomorrow - thank you to those of you who donated cups and marshmallows for this festive treat!

On Tinsel Tuesday - students you are invited to dress in any festive wear you haven't gotten to wear yet to school. Our morning will start off with a treat from RCMS - their band is coming over to lead us in a Holiday concert - it is easily one of my most favorite events each year!

Just a gentle reminder that Tuesday, 12/19 is an early release day for students which does mean we are dismissing school @ 12:30pm - 2 hours earlier than our normal afternoon dismissal time. Please remind those who are meeting students at bus stops to be outside 2 hours earlier than normal and for those who are car riders, to please have rides here on campus by 12:30pm.

Our Winter Break officially kicks off on Wednesday, 12/20 and school will be closed for both students and staff until the new year. We hope you all have a blessed Holiday with your families, friends and enjoy making memories together. Our classroom teachers will not be monitoring their e-mail or their class dojo accounts as they will also be taking a sweet break from all things Wentworth and focusing on their families. We appreciate your understanding that they will not be responding to messages until we return to school on January 3rd. If you need anything over the break, you are always more than welcome to reach out to me by dojo or by e-mail - I will be checking these daily.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, December 10th for information for the week of Dec. 11-15

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

We were so blown away by your support at our Christmas in the Park Friday night - what a great turnout and some great fun!! That will easily be one of my favorite memories of this school year.

This week, 12/11 - 12/15 we will have a Christmas Spirit Week where a different dress up theme is set for each day. Be sure to check out class dojo for these days and have fun!

Our December food drive continues and we are collecting food for families in our Wentworth community. Each grade level has been tasked with bringing in specific items to help ensure we have a strong variety for each of our families, but please know, we will take donations of any food items during this Food Drive. Parents, if it is helpful, you are more than welcome to order

groceries to be delivered to the school - just be sure the delivery happens within our regular building operation hours of M-F, 7am - 5pm.

Students in grades 3-5 will be taking their Achieve3000 Level Set testing throughout the week. We can't wait to see some mid year growth in their reading lexile levels!

Our PTA invites you to join us this coming Tuesday night, at Mayberry's & support our school for another school spirit night for dinner! This is a great place to grab dinner either before or after our 4th & 5th grade choral concert which begins @ 6:30pm in our gym Tuesday evening. PTA Candy cane grams are due this Wednesday, 12/13 - thank you for having these orders in on time!

November and December lost & found items have been photographed and will be shared on class dojo tomorrow. Please check out all of the pictures and let us know if anything belongs at your house. All items remaining after Friday, 12/15 will be donated.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, December 3rd for information for the week of Dec. 4-8

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Our annual Christmas in the Park is this Friday, 12/8 and begins @ 5:30pm. Hot dogs and hot chocolate will be available at no cost to you. We have books to give away, games to play and crafts to make together. Our PTA has blankets and limited edition Christmas ornaments to sell. The parade begins @ 6pm and our tree lighting is @ 7pm. We are asking that you follow the directions of the deputies on site who can help you park and cross Hwy 87 to enter the park. We hope you and your neighbors and your friends will all plan to join us for a joyous event that is sure to get you in the Holiday spirit.

Our December food drive has officially kicked off this week where we are collecting food for families in our Wentworth community. Each grade level has been tasked with bringing in specific items to help ensure we have a strong variety for each of our families, but please know, we will take donations of any food items during this Food Drive. Parents, if it is helpful, you are more than welcome to order groceries to be delivered to the school - just be sure the delivery happens within our regular building operation hours of M-F, 7am - 5pm.

All 3rd grade students will be participating in Cog-At testing this week - Tuesday - Thursday. We do ask that you have students here on time each morning for testing.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, November 26th for information for the week of Nov. 27- Dec. 1

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Due to the weather forecast of rain for this Friday, 12/1, we are rescheduling our annual Christmas in the Park which will still begin @ 5:30pm, but will now take place next Friday, 12/8. Hot dogs and hot chocolate will be available at no cost to you. We have books to give away, games to play and crafts to make together. The parade begins @ 6pm and our tree lighting is @ 7pm. We are asking that you follow the directions of the deputies on site who can help you park and cross Hwy 87 to enter the park. We hope you and your neighbors and your friends will all plan to join us for a joyous event that is sure to get you in the Holiday spirit.

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Today - all students came home with 2nd quarter interims which will share information on how students are progressing along 2nd quarter standards and skills. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's classroom teacher.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, November 19th for information for the week of Nov. 20-24

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Happy Thanksgiving week to all of our Wentworth families - we don't say it enough, but we are so thankful for YOU. Hands down, we have the best school families in all of Rockingham County. We hope you each have a restful Holiday later this week and that you are able to enjoy some yummy food together with family and friends.

Thank you to everyone who donated money to help provide Thanksgiving meals to families in our Wentworth community - just \$35 will provide a Thanksgiving meal to a family. Any extra money will be used for our upcoming Food Drive for many of these same families as we pack boxes of food for them to enjoy over our Christmas break. Checks can be made out to Wentworth Elementary School.

Tuesday, 11/21 is another PTA School Spirit Night - at Chopstick in Eden. Stop by anytime after 4pm and be sure to let them know you are there for Wentworth Elementary. A portion of the proceeds will be donated back to our PTA and ultimately, back to our students. We hope you can stop by for dinner!

We will be out of school later this week on Wednesday, 11/22 - Friday, 11/24 to observe our Thanksgiving Holiday. School will resume at regular time on Monday, 11/27.

We hope you are each making plans to join us on Friday, 12/1 at the Wentworth Town Park for our Christmas in the Park. The fun begins @ 5:30pm and ends with a Tree Lighting. Come help us kick off the Christmas season together!

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, November 5th for information for the week of Nov. 6 - 10

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Check In testing will take place this week for all 3rd - 5th grade students. Some testing will begin tomorrow, Monday, 11/13. Majority of our testing will follow the following schedule.

- Tuesday, 11/14 - ELA testing - all 3rd - 5th grade students
- Wednesday, 11/15 - Math testing - all 3rd - 5th grade students
- Thursday, 11/16 - Science testing - 5th grade students AND make up testing for 3rd & 4th grades
- Friday, 11/17 - Make up check in testing continues

All testing sessions will begin as close to 8am as possible. Parents - you can help us in the following ways to get your kiddo ready for testing. First - let's get everyone to bed early - a good night's rest is so important! Second, let's ensure our students have breakfast whether at home or here at school. And lastly, let's get to school on time so no one is feeling rushed or misses their testing session. Thank you in advance for your help in ensuring a smooth week of testing for our 3rd - 5th grade students.

Our student led conference night is this Thursday, 11/16 and we cannot wait to see you! Be sure to bring your child with you when you come, because our students are leading these conferences. This is easily one of my most favorite events of the school year - both as a parent and as a principal.

Our PTA will have a meeting this Friday, 11/17 @ 3:30pm in our media center - please join us!

As we move into cold & flu season, we do want to remind everyone that when your child is home sick or is sent home from school sick, students should not be returning to school until they are fever free without the aid of medication for at least 24 hours. This timeframe is also in place for any vomiting or diarrhea - students should not return to school until they are free of these for at least 24 hours.

Wentworth families, you are invited to join us in donating financially to 25 Thanksgiving meals for families in our Wentworth Community for next week on Thanksgiving Day. Just \$35 will cover the cost of a Thanksgiving meal for a family which will include 2 rotisserie chickens, 4 sides, rolls and a dessert. Businesses are more than welcome to join in by donating. Please make all checks payable to Wentworth Elementary School. Thank you for joining us as we come together to give back to our community.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, November 5th for information for the week of Nov. 6 - 10

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Report cards will be going home with all students on Tuesday, 11/7. Report cards will share information on how students progressed along 1st quarter standards. If you have any questions about these, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's classroom teacher.

This Thursday, 11/9 is an early release day for students - school will dismiss 2 hours early @ 12:30pm. Thank you for ensuring rides for car riders are on time or that you are present at bus stops 2 hours earlier than usual.

This Friday, 11/10, will celebrate our Veteran's Day Holiday which means no school for students or staff. School will resume at regular time on Monday, 11/13.

Check In testing will take place the week of November 13th for all 3rd - 5th grade students.

I am in need of parents who can help me in the cafeteria on Mondays from 10:45am - 1pm to provide what we call Duty Free Lunch to our staff. This is a HUGE favorite of our teachers and teacher assistants. Would you consider joining me in the cafeteria on Mondays to help provide supervision, attention and overall support to students which allows our staff to have a quick and quiet lunch together as a team each week? You are welcome to join me for all or part of a Monday lunch and as often as you are able to do so. If you are interested in joining me, please e-mail me at jhardin@rock.k12.nc.us or call me at school. Thank you for checking your calendars to see if you can help support a simple and free way to do something kind and generous for our staff at no cost.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, October 29th for information for the week of Oct. 30- Nov. 3

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Our PTA would like to thank everyone who supported our recent Boo Grams and our Trunk or Treat this past Saturday through your donations, the trunks you decorated for the children and through your attendance - we had a great crowd and cannot wait to begin putting plans together for next year! Our PTA continues their blanket fundraiser through this Friday, 11/3 - be sure to continue your support of our PTA through ordering your own Wentworth blanket - these will make great gifts!

Don't forget that tomorrow, Monday, 10/30 is a teacher workday which means no school for students. School will resume at regular time on Tuesday, 10/31.

Tuesday, 10/31 begins our 2nd grading period of the school year which means 25% of this year

is already complete. Does anyone else feel like the first part of the year flew by? I sure do!

This Thursday, 11/2 is our fall picture Makeup day. Students who were absent on Thursday, 9/21 - our original fall picture day - will be taking pictures for our school yearbook. In addition, if you were not pleased with your original picture, your child is also welcome to have their picture done again. Picture forms are in the front office - please let your child's classroom teacher know if you need one of these.

Be sure to check class dojo this week for all of our October lost and found items. We will donate these items on Friday, 11/3.

Student led conferences are just around the corner and will be taking place after school on Thursday, 11/16. All parents should have already signed up for a time on their child's class dojo sign up genius - if you have not done this yet - we need for you to do so. We are looking forward to a participation level of 100%, which means every single student and family will be represented as we partner together in your child's educational journey this school year. We can't wait for you to hear from your child and watch them as they take ownership of the learning they have done and together, you can set goals for the 2nd quarter of the school year.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, October 22nd for information for the week of Oct. 23-27

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

This week is Red Ribbon Week and we invite you to join us for some simple school spirit days as we focus on teaching our students how to make safe and healthy choices. To bring awareness to this, we have some fun and simple dress up days planned. We hope everyone can join us.

On Monday, 10.23 - Rally in red for safe, smart & healthy choices - join us by wearing red

On Tuesday, 10.24 - Our future is bright! Wear bright colors to show your commitment to a healthy life.

On Wednesday, 10.25 - Team up against unhealthy choices! Wear your favorite team apparel!

On Thursday, 10.26 - Together, eagles make good choices! Show your Wentworth spirit!

On Friday, 10.27 - Say boo to bad choices! We have our Fun Run prize of wearing a costume to school - please be sure NOT to wear any masks or bring any toy accessories- we don't want

those to get lost here at school.

This Tuesday, 10.24 is our next PTA School Spirit Night from 4-7pm at Pete's Burgers, dine in only - be sure to let them know that you are here supporting Wentworth. Proceeds from each meal will be donated back to our PTA - Pete's is a new school spirit night and we hope you each show up in a big way!

This Friday is the official end of the 1st grading period which means that we are about 25% through this school year - it is going so fast! This Friday is also an early release day which means we will be dismissing school 2 hours early - @ 12:30pm. Please have your rides here at this time or be present at the bus stop 2 hours early.

This Friday is also our much anticipated - pieing teachers and staff in the face from our Fun Run. The top 2 fundraisers from each class have already chosen who they want to pie and will get to do this at a school wide assembly Friday morning.

Don't forget to join us this Saturday for our PTA Trunk or Treat from 3-6pm. In addition to Trunk or Treating, PTA will have Kona Ice on site and an inflatable for jumping.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, October 15th for information for the week of Oct. 16-20

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

This week, our students are traveling to the Wentworth Park for a picnic lunch as a special treat for working together to raise over \$22,000 for their school during our recent Fun Run. Students will enjoy a lunch outside and have some play time at the park before returning to school.

Parents - you are more than welcome to join us! If you are able to come, please let your child's classroom teacher know - they may reach out to you about ways you can help. On Monday, our PreK, K and 3rd grade students will go. On Tuesday, 10. 17, students in 1st grade, 4th grade, and the following classrooms: Mrs. Hamlett, Mrs. Jackle and Mrs Peterkinis will head to the park. And on Thursday, 10.19, students in grades 2nd, 5th and from Mrs. Gaddy's class will attend. Friday, 10.20 is our rain date and if at any point we have inclement weather, we will defer to a Friday trip for students in that group. Thank you again for helping our students to meet this BIG goal and we are so excited for the ways this money will impact our school.

This Tuesday, 10/17 - we have another PTA School Spirit Night as a dinner option for you and your family. Stop by Chopsticks in Eden is donating a percentage of their sales Tuesday night back to our PTA - how great is that?!? Stop by anytime between 4pm and 10pm. This is a great option for dinner for your family and it supports our PTA - sounds like a win win to me!

This Wednesday, 10/18, we invite you to dress in orange - this is RCS Unity Day. Unity Day is a tangible representation of the universal message that our society wants to promote kindness, acceptance and inclusion to prevent bullying. The goal of Unity Day is to emphasize the message that bullying is not acceptable, and that all students deserve to be safe in school, online, and in the community. We wear orange because, in addition to being a fun October color, orange is a color associated with safety, visibility, and warmth. Please join us in wearing orange on Wednesday.

Our PTA is meeting this Friday, 10/20 after school in our media center @ 3:30pm - we had 20 people join us last time - and we would love to have more this time. Our PTA is working so hard in planning fun events and activities for our school community - and we would love for you to join us!

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, October 8th for information for the week of Oct. 9-13

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Field trips are gearing up all across the building which means fun and exciting opportunities for our students and for you are being planned. I encourage you, parents, to go on as many field trips as you can with your children - you won't get this time back - and it is such a sweet time. For all field trips, please remember that students are asked to wear their Fun Run shirts which double as field trip shirts. This helps our students be easily identifiable when they are off campus and it continues to promote the many individuals and businesses that support our school.

I am in need of parents who can help me in the cafeteria on Mondays from 10:45am - 1pm to provide what we call Duty Free Lunch to our staff. This is a HUGE favorite of our teachers and teacher assistants. Would you consider joining me in the cafeteria on Mondays to help provide supervision, attention and overall support to students which allows our staff to have a quick and quiet lunch together as a team each week? You are welcome to join me for all or part of a

Monday lunch and as often as you are able to do so. If you are interested in joining me, please e-mail me at jhardin@rock.k12.nc.us or call me at school. Thank you for checking your calendars to see if you can help support a simple and free way to do something kind and generous for our staff at no cost.

Our Wentworth Lunches at the Park will take place the week of October 16th for all students. Permission slips should be going home for this no cost treat in Wednesday folders this week. This is one of our whole school fun run prizes that students earned for raising over \$22,000. Parents - we would love for you to join us!

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, October 1st for information for the week of Oct. 2-6

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

We invite you to wear BLUE tomorrow as we unite together as a district to show our support for Bully Prevention Month. You can wear as much or as a little blue as you would like. We can't wait to see what you come up with!

Our PTA invites you to join us this Tuesday at Elizabeth's Pizza here in Wentworth. A portion of the proceeds will go back to our PTA which ultimately comes back to our school and our students. Stop by anytime after 3 PM and just be sure to let them know that you are there supporting Wentworth. We hope to see you on the School Spirit night!

This week - all students will enjoy an extra recess as one of their whole school prizes from our recent Fun Run. This was earned when the students raised over \$9000 together for their school. Be on the lookout as we continue to schedule and celebrate the hard work for our students for our school.

This week is National Custodian Appreciation Week and man have we got a great team of custodians who desire to see our school sparkle and serve our students. If you have a chance this week to do something extra thoughtful for Hunter, Danny & Cheryl - I know it would mean the world to them!

As we enter into week 6 of school, we see the need to share a few gentle reminders about both

morning arrival and afternoon dismissal. In the mornings, all cars should go through our morning arrival car rider line - no one should park and walk their child to the building. We have multiple staff members at our front entrance to help students get to their classroom if they are unsure where to go. This is a safety protocol that we have in place and we appreciate you aligning with this. Around 7:30am, you may see our PreK parents walking their child to benches at the front entrance where they meet our PreK teaching team. This is because they have to physically sign their child in - you may remember this if you had a child attend daycare or PreK prior to coming to Wentworth. If you are concerned about your child needing a little extra assistance in the mornings, we have cone 1 ready for you with extra staff members ready to support any needs you may have. The same is true for afternoon dismissal - all cars should go through our car rider line and we ask that all parents remain in their vehicles. If you need additional time to strap your child in, please pull into our bus lot and take all the time you need. All of these safety measures are in place to keep you safe, your child safe, and everyone else on our campus safe. In addition, it also helps to keep our car lines rolling. Thank you so much for assistance in aligning with our procedures. If someone else brings or picks up your child, will you please pass all of these safety procedures along to them? Thank you for taking the time to do so! We greatly appreciate it!

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, September 24th for information for the week of Sept. 25-29.

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Donations for our Fun Run remain open through this week and then we will officially close out what has been the absolutely most successful and most fun FUNdraiser we have ever had - parents, we can't thank you each enough! We can't wait to share final numbers once we close out our Fun Run later this week. Dates for all of our whole school celebrations will be communicated as we make plans to celebrate our students and their hard work! Our first whole school celebration is a school wide hat day which we will celebrate this Thursday, 9/28.

1st quarter Interims will be going home with all students this Wednesday, 9/27 with information about how students are progressing along 1st quarter standards and skills. If you have any questions about this, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's classroom teacher. Be sure to also be on the lookout for your child's mclass Homeconnect letter which will be in your child's Wednesday folder. This will have information on our reading beginning of the year

assessments.

This Thursday, 9/28 is an early release day for students which means that school will dismiss 2 hours early @ 12:30pm. Our car riders will begin dismissal at this time and our students will arrive home to their regular bus stop 2 hours earlier than normal.

Our PTA will be meeting with parents this Thursday, 9/28 @ 1:30pm in our media center. Please join us! Our PTA board is working so hard to revitalize our parent teacher association and it will not happen without your support!

This Friday, 9/29 is a teacher workday which means no school for students. School will resume at regular time on Monday, 10/2.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, September 17th for information for the week of Sept. 18-22

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Our Fall FUNdraiser - our Fun Run continues this week! Our students have already earned \$16,500 for our school. Once we reach our \$22,000 school wide goal, we will treat every student to a lunch off campus at our nearby Wentworth park and top off lunchtime with a popsicle treat. Thank you SO MUCH Wentworth families for how you are supporting our school BIG time!

Our Fun Run will take place this Friday, 9/22 outside on our playground blacktops. YOU are welcome to join us. Our Fun Run schedule is noted below.

- 9-10am - PreK, Kindergarten, 1st Grade & Mrs. Jackle's students
- 10:30 - 11:30am - 2nd Grade & 3rd Grade students, Mrs. Peterkin's class & Mrs. Hamlett's class
- 1-2pm - Mrs. Gaddy's class, 4th Grade & 5th Grade students

All students are reminded to have a water bottle that they can bring outside with them to the Fun Run and to wear shoes that will be comfortable to run in. Every child will change into their Fun Run t-shirt at school on Friday which is being provided at no cost to everyone. I encourage you to check out all of the sponsors listed on the back who made these possible for our students.

If you want to join us - please come to the front doors to check in with your picture ID, grab a visitor's sticker, head outside to our playground areas, and be ready to find ways to support our students outside. We will put you to work cheering our students on, helping with supervision & spreading you out around their track area and ensuring students are safe. I encourage you to wear shoes appropriate for being

outside. 😊

Fall Picture day will take place for all students on Thursday, 9/21. These pictures will be used for our school yearbook. Any student absent and missing pictures on Thursday will take their pictures on our makeup picture day - Thursday, 11/2. You can go ahead and order online or send the form and money back to the school by Thursday to place your orders.

Our state wide bus rider head count will take place everyday this coming week. Parents, if your child rides a bus, we encourage you to ensure they ride everyday this week. This count is used to determine our funding for the 23-24 school year, so it is important for every student rider to be on the bus this week.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, September 10th for information for the week of Sept. 11-15

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Our 3rd grade students will be participating in their 3rd grade Beginning of Grade or BOG testing this Wednesday, 9/13. Testing will begin as close to 8am as possible, so please be sure to have your 3rd grade students on time Wednesday morning so that they do not miss their testing session.

We are kicking off our Wentworth Boosterthon FUNdraiser on Wednesday 9/13. This year students will be completing 30-35 laps with the Wentworth Fun Run on Friday, 9/22! It's going to be a FUN experience for ALL students and comes with a brand new character theme, called World Changer Workshop! Not only will this help our school raise some much needed funds, but it will also engage our students socially & emotionally.

How can you help?

- Register on mybooster.com! Our goal is to get 100% of our school registered.
- SHARE your student's donation link with friends & family!
- Donate if you are able to.

Thank you for supporting Wentworth Elementary!

Our Fun Run will take place on Friday, 9/22 and each student will have their very own Wentworth Fun Run shirt to wear thanks to various sponsors in our community. These shirts will be used again for all field trips and for our field day at the end of the school year.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Monday, September 4th for information for the week of Sept. 5-8

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Welcome back from your long Labor Day Weekend everyone - we hope you are each refreshed and rejuvenated for a new week at school.

Beginning tomorrow, Tuesday, 9/5 - all cars will go through our morning arrival car rider line - we will not have anyone park and walk their child to the building. We have multiple staff members at our front entrance to help students get to their classroom if they are unsure where to go. This is a safety protocol that we have in place and we appreciate you aligning with this. Around 7:30am, you may see our PreK parents walking their child to benches at the front entrance where they meet our PreK teaching team. This is because they have to physically sign their child in - you may remember this if you had a child attend daycare or PreK prior to coming to Wentworth.

We have multiple Beginning of Year (BOY) assessments taking place this week for all students. These assessments will take about 2 weeks to complete for everyone. Our K-5th grade students will complete their mClass reading assessment, Our 1st - 5th grade students will also take their I-Ready Diagnostic assessments in both reading and math. All of these BOY assessments will help all of us have a better understanding of everyone's starting point for growth for this school year. We will send information home to you about how your child performed once all assessments are completed which is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, 9/27.

Our Fun Run, which is our Fall Fundraiser officially kicks off on Wednesday, 9/13. Our Fun Run is 1 of only 2 whole school fundraisers that we do here at Wentworth where the goal is to raise money for instructional resources for our teachers, students and our classrooms. Instead of selling a product, our students are committing to walking or running laps to raise money for their school. We hope that you will join us in participating in a BIG way for this year's Fun Run. Family and friends can make a flat donation or donate a specific amount to every lap completed. Our actual Fun Run will take place on Friday, 9/22 for all students. Our school wide goal this

year is to raise \$22,000 - will you partner with us to help us meet our goal?

Thank you for a great 1st week of school! I have no doubt that week #2 will be even better!

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, August 27th for information for the week of August 28 - Sept. 1

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about what's going on at Wentworth this week.

Tomorrow is our first day back at school for the new school year, and we want to take just a minute to say welcome back to everyone! We are so excited to be with students again.

For our 1st day of school only - we want to invite each of you to park and walk your child down to their classroom.

Beginning on Tuesday, 8/29, all cars coming to campus need to go through the car rider line - please do not park and plan to walk your child in as this presents multiple safety concerns. We are working to reduce points of contact for all on our campus and appreciate each of you aligning with our safety procedures. The only exception to this safety procedure is that we are inviting our Kindergarten parents into the building each day this week as they have staggered entry.

Staff will head outside for morning arrival supervision at exactly 7am. Please do not release children from your cars until a staff member is in the cross walk. Students should be ready to immediately exit their vehicle when they pull up to the sidewalk. I encourage you that when you pull onto campus, go ahead and get book bags, lunch boxes, and anything else together so that your child can quickly exit the vehicle. This is needed because of the high volume of traffic on our campus and our need to get everyone through the line as quickly as possible.

The similar procedure will be seen at dismissal, all cars are asked to go through the car rider line, and no one should park and walk up to our student groups. When this happens, it is easy for visitors to just leave with their child and never make contact with the classroom teacher which presents a safety concern. Going through the car rider line provides the opportunity for staff to connect with you and ensure we are releasing our students to someone we know. When you arrive on campus, please be sure to line up along the car rider line. Traffic will be heavy

these first few weeks of school and we thank you in advance for your patience with us as we get students in the right cars and patience with one another as new families learn our arrival and dismissal routines. As always, thank you for following the direction of staff outside.

Please know bus pick up times can fluctuate during the first few weeks of school. If your child is riding a bus, please be out at the stop 15 minutes earlier than the assigned time. If your child is in kindergarten through third grade, an adult must be at the stop to greet them when they get off. Please contact Mr. Paschal at the school if you have any questions about transportation.

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!

To go home on Sunday, August 20th for information for the week of August 21-25

Good evening Wentworth families, this is Dr. Hardin calling with some reminders for you about events taking place at Wentworth this week.

Our staff is back and they will be busy getting things ready for you and your family throughout the week. You can expect to receive a phone call from your child's classroom teacher tomorrow night, Monday evening, August 21st. If you miss this call on Monday, please give the school a call on Tuesday, August 22nd. Our front office team will take your message & contact information which they will pass this along to your child's classroom teacher who will call you back before the end of the day on Tuesday, August 22nd. In addition, classroom teachers will be posting a sign up genius link and other Open House information on their class story first thing Tuesday morning. Please be on the lookout for your class dojo code to join your child's new class so that you can schedule your Open House appointment time.

Mark your calendars for our Open House and our first day of school if you have not already done so - Open House is scheduled for Thursday, 8/24 from 3-7pm. This is a staggered event for all of you as we prepare for the high volume of families and traffic that will be on our campus this Thursday. Classroom teachers will be sharing a Sign Up Genius link on Tuesday, 8/22 with all of their families where you can sign up for a 20 minute time slot. We are asking all of our families to enter the building through the main entrance. Student information forms and other paperwork will need to be completed in the cafeteria area before heading down to classrooms. You are welcome to bring school supplies with you when you visit campus on Thursday.

Our first day of school is on Monday, 8/28. Doors open @ 7am for students and our tardy bell will ring @ 7:30am. For our 1st day of school only, you are welcome to park and walk your child down to their classroom.

If you are not already following us on social media, we encourage you to do so!

We are looking forward to seeing each of you so very soon back on our campus!

If you have any questions about these announcements or anything else, please call the school at 634-3250.

Have a wonderful rest of the night!