

Rose L. MacDonald School Newsletter January 10, 2019

Important Dates

January 11th- Patriots Spirit Day-wear your Patriots gear or patriotic colors!

January 14th - School Committee Meeting 6:30 MSHS

January 16th - Student Council meeting 3-3:45pm

January 21st - Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday (Observed) - NO SCHOOL

January 25th - Distribution of report cards

January 28th - School Council meeting 3:30pm

January 29th - All for Books Program (see details below in PTO Corner)

January 30th - Student Council meeting 3-3:45pm

February 1st – Deadline for Gr. 1's Student Treasures book orders (*see below*)

Book Fair Preview Night 6:30-8pm (*see details below in PTO Corner*)

February 8th - Last day of *The Snowman Stack*, RLM's winter reading challenge

April 24th & 25th - ELA MCAS

May 14th & 15th - Math MCAS

<u>Reminder:</u> With cold weather here, please be sure your child comes to school with appropriate clothing for outdoor recess. Please be sure to label your child's outerwear.



THE SCHOOL DAY BEGINS AT 8:30am

Children who are dropped off by parents/guardians **AFTER 8:30am MUST** go to the office for a tardy slip. If they do not, they may risk being on the absent list for the day. Please make every effort to get your child to school on time.

SURROUND CARE/WEATHER RELATED DISMISSALS/DELAYED OPENINGS

Please remember, there is *NO MORNING* surround care if there is a delayed opening. If we have an early dismissal, Surround Care staff will **not** contact you. You will receive a Connect-Ed phone call. A **WB App** notification will be sent to parents who have signed up. SC students <u>will be</u> sent home according to the prior notification provided by you on your original registration form which Mrs. Quinn has in the SC files. You may contact Mrs. Quinn (508 894-1230) or e-mail at <u>kquinn@wbridgewater.com</u> for more info.



PTO CORNER

The next PTO meeting is January 29th @ 7pm at the Howard School Library

Upcoming Events

2019 Dino-Mite Scholastic Book Fair!!

Preview night is coming --- "Dino-Mite" is this year's theme. Have any "tales to tell"? Then come help at Book Fair Preview Night on Friday, February 1st from from 6:30pm to 8pm at the RLM cafeteria. Get your dino tale moving . . . Come and Stay. It's the roaring place to be and we will all have a stomping good time. While parents chomp out books, the students can wag their big tails at the fun teacher stations. Please visit WBPTO.org to join the planning committee and/or help out during the following week at the actual book fair!

ALL FOR BOOKS

Our schools are participating in the Scholastic *All for Books* program. This is a ONE DAY EVENT and will be held on January 29th (Tuesday). The proceeds will be divided between the Read Across America program, the Reading is Fundamental program, and Mrs. Enos' *'Welcome to WB'* baby book bag program. The PTO & Book fair committee is asking that each child make a minimum \$1 donation on this day. We kindly request no bags of spare change. The class in each grade that raises the most money will receive either: a prize, special event, or extra recess as decided by the teachers and principal.

WANTED: Committee Volunteers!!

Please visit <u>WBPTO.org</u> to join a committee for the Boosterthon Fun or Scholarship and many more!

PTO FUNDRAISER: WHAT THE HECK?? WRITE A CHECKThis is a quick and easy way to contribute to the WBPTO without the pressure and worry of trying to sell something. There is nothing to buy and no time involved. Any donation is greatly appreciated! Make checks payable to "WBPTO" and include your phone number. *Checks can be given to your child's teacher anytime during the year*.

* Keep up with all of our new events, volunteer opportunities and fundraisers at WBPTO.org *



The Snowman Stack - Welcome winter and join us for a school-wide reading incentive program! Program details are included in a reading packet that was sent home with students TODAY. This seasonal reading challenge and activity is designed to promote the enjoyment and routine habit of reading. You can help your child benefit from this program by setting aside some time each day for reading. The time may be spent when your child reads alone, time that your child reads aloud to you or a relative, or time when you read to your child. Every minute spent reading—alone or together—counts! "Snowballs" will be accepted every day through Friday, February 8th. All participating readers who read at least 4 hours over the next month will receive a reward. However, the grade that reads the most and creates the tallest and fullest snowman will receive a grand prize. It helps to make the program a little more challenging and a lot more exciting! Be on the lookout for weekly updates.

First-Grade Student Publishers - Gr. 1 students are partaking in a special writing activity that will be published in a classroom-created book by Studentreasures Publishing. Your child will have his/her own pages in the class book; one with his/her writing and the other with his/her illustration. The other pages will showcase their classmates' work. Book purchases are optional. Pre-order forms are being sent home today. Orders and payments are due by **Friday**, **Feb. 1st** with the option to purchase the standard softcover book or upgrade to a hardcover book. If you have any questions, please contact your child's classroom teacher or Mrs. Enos at jenos@wbridgewater.com.

Fun Stuff



We sent home winter program brochures with new classes this week. This allows two weeks for registration, so classes will begin in February. Our sessions have returned to the usual six-week format, for \$60 per class. Join us to delve into ocean fun, hand sewing, free-building or charcoal and mixed media artistry! We look forward to seeing our enrichment students, and welcoming new students as well! As always, please register promptly if your child is excited about a specific offering, because class size is limited and enrollment fills up quickly!



RLM Pride: Respect: The following students were honored at an assembly on Friday, January 4th for their understanding of RESPECT: Theodore Hrinda, Gerard Page IV, Lily Sances, Regan Bryant, Shane O'Neill, Mya Pombo, Caroline Ross, Olivia DiRusso, Mason Melchionda, Wesley Reynolds, Simon Watson, Alexandra Krakowski, Christian O'Connor, Xavier Popotte, Ethan Syrek, Isabel Ambrose, Nicholas Karras, Samuel Stapleton, Melanie Anderson, Joseph Cerasulo-Flores, Samantha Hebb, Joanna Baroud, Madelyn Rose Belcher, Benjamin Gauthier, Mason Bailey, Braelyn Howard, Matthew Navin, Kylie Torrey, Wesley Goode, William Jarred, Tyler Beady, Avery Casano, Jaxon Boyd, Nashla Kieu, Maeve Matta, Ayden Ruiz, Rose Diedrichsen, Jason, MacLean, Alana Sheriff, and Blake Stout. The character trait for January is Honesty.



READING IS FUNDAMENTAL (RIF): On Tuesday, January 8th, the students participated in the RIF's winter book distribution. Students had the opportunity to choose a book to keep and read. RIF's goal is to provide the students with an opportunity to fall in love with reading. We would like to thank our donors who completely support our program; The Howard Trust,

The Lions Club, WBPTO, and the Friends of the Library. Thank you to our volunteers who helped with distributions!



Inclusion Matters

Tuesday, February 26 @ 6 p.m.

Come hear our district's OT, Jenna Duckworth, as she presents on the value of play for all ages of students in "Not Just Horsing Around: The Power of Play"

WBMSHS, Learning Commons

Parents who want to learn more about Inclusion Matters and see our spring events can visit us on Facebook at @WBSPEAC