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Principal's Message

The winter is over (hopefully) and the warm weather has arrived. It is really hard to believe we are quickly approaching the end of the third nine weeks. Spring parent conferences are right around the corner! The electronic scheduler will be available to sign up for a conference on March 30, 2016.

We have already had such wonderful events sponsored by our PTA this year. Thank you to all of our volunteers who have participated in the planning and implementation of these special activities for our students.

The year is not over yet though! PSSA testing for grades 3-5 will begin the week of April 11th for English Language Arts sections followed by Mathematics the week of April 18th. The week of April 25th the fourth grade students will also be taking the Science PSSA.

We have many more activities, field trips, and educational experiences ahead for your children as we enter the fourth nine weeks.
~Mary Kay Davis, Principal

Important Dates

March

- 15** Kids of Steel, 4:45-5:15 pm, WES Gym
- 16** PTA Meeting - Board Elections, 7:00 pm, Auditorium
- 22** Kids of Steel, 4:45-5:15 pm, WES Gym
- 24-28** **No School:** Spring Recess

April

- 5** Kids of Steel, 4:45-5:15 pm, WES Gym
- 6** Breakfast Social, 7:45-8:30 am, WES Gym
- 6** PTA Meeting, 9:00 am, WES
- 7** Parent/Teacher Conference (**no AM Kindergarten**), 5:30-8:30 pm
- 7** Drop Everything and Read (DEAR): Favorite College or University Day
- 8** **No School:** Parent/Teacher Conference, 8:00 am - 3:30 pm
- 15** Family Dance, 6:00-8:00 pm, WES Gym
- 12** Kids of Steel, 4:45-5:15 pm, WES Gym
- 19** Kids of Steel, 4:45-5:15 pm, WES Gym
- 22** Kona Ice Day, 3:35-4:15 pm, WES Playground

What Day Is It?

- 03/14:** Day 4
- 03/15:** Day 5
- 03/16:** Day 1
- 03/17:** Day 2
- 03/18:** Day 3

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PTA News

February PTA Minutes

The meeting minutes for the February 17, 2016, PTA meeting can be found [here](#) .



PTA Membership



Hey everyone! What a great year WES is having. And, it's all been possible due to the support of the PTA membership.

If you haven't registered yet and would like to join in on the fun (and begin to receive the Washington Weekly News as well as a directory), it's not too late. You can register to be a member of the PTA at any time throughout the year. Interested? Just click this link (<http://goo.gl/forms/e6FnGP6IT7>) to get to the registration page.

Fill out the form, submit your registration payment and we'll get you into the Washington Weekly News data base (if you aren't already) and get you a PTA Directory (in whatever format you choose). Questions? Contact CharLynn Wertz at charconw@verizon.net.
~ CharLynn Wertz, Membership Chair

School News

Attention 5th Grade Parents - Photos Needed

We need your photos:

- We need a baby photo of your child for the yearbook- you can send them to Amee Oakes at oakes1010@verizon.net or drop them off in the school office.
- We also are asking for a photo of your child from their early school years such as Kindergarten or 1st grade. This will be for the 5th grade slideshow. These photos can be emailed to stephanie.fedrobyrom@gmail.com or dropped off in the school office.



Smile

School Flyers/Blogs

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[Art Factory](#)
Ages 4-6 & Grades 1-6

[Canvas Creation Style](#)
Ages 4-14

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Ages 7-Adult

[Hockey Goalie Clinic](#)
All Ages

[Parent & Child Hockey Drills & Skills](#)

- Also, any pictures of our 5th graders at activities such as homeroom parties, Camp Lutherlyn, field day, variety show or other school-related events over their years at Washington would be greatly appreciated. These photos can be emailed to stephanie.fedrobyrom@gmail.com or dropped off in the school office

If you are dropping off photos in the office please mark the back with your child's name and homeroom teacher. Once the pictures are scanned and uploaded, they will be returned. If you have any questions please email or call Ameer Oakes 412-969-1104 / oakes1010@verizon.net

Emergency Contact and Release Forms

Please check your child's Emergency Contact/Release information on the Dashboard and update if needed. Many of these have not been updated in a year or more. To access this site, go to the "parent" Dashboard account, click on "account preferences" then "Emergency Contact/Release" tab and make changes if needed. Keep in mind that changes made in the Emergency Contact/Release tab do not transfer to the Parent/Student Contact tab.

If there are two parent Dashboard accounts, you will not be able to make changes online. Please see attached [hard copy](#) or ask for a hard copy from your Health Office and we will make the changes for you.

Thank you.

~Do Sabol, School Nurse

Irritable Bowel Disease Seminar

If your child suffers from a gastrointestinal illness, please attend the free IBD (irritable bowel disease) seminar for children and families on March 22, 2016. You can find more information [here](#).

~Do Sabol R.N., C.S.N., School Nurse

Save the Date



*Pirates Game
June 8, 2016 at 7:05 pm*

Our fifth grade chorus will be singing the National Anthem at the June 8, Pirates game against the New York Mets. More information will be provided at a later date - but put this date down in your calendar and plan to attend and support our chorus.

District News

School Picnic Information

Save the date for the 2016 Kennywood School Picnic!



This year the picnic will be held on Wednesday, June 22. You can purchase your tickets starting Tuesday, April 5. Please see the [flyer](#) for more information

Community News

[Spring Learn to Skate](#)
All Ages

[Power Skating](#)
Ages 6-12, 18 & Up

Mt. Lebanon Lacrosse Association
[Boys Lacrosse Clinic](#)

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Registration, Grades 1-8

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Camp Thinkerbotics



Register your camper for energizing robotics summer camps featuring hands-on, minds-on explorations!

All camps are two (2) days from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., held at ASSET's

South Side Pittsburgh location and are segmented by age:

- June 20-21 (ages 8-11)
- June 22-23 (ages 12-15)
- June 27-28 (ages 8-11)
- June 29-30 (ages 12-15)

Each camper will receive a T-shirt, flash drive with programming software and Hummingbird™ Robotics Base Kit to build a robot. [Register here.](#)

Spelling Bee

Don't miss the Spelling Bee at Old Economy Village on June 25, 2016. You can find more information [here.](#)

MLEA Summer Grant Applications

MLEA is now accepting summer grant applications.

For nearly 35 years, Mt. Lebanon School District teachers have awarded study grants for returning Mt. Lebanon students (current kindergarteners through 11th graders) who plan to participate in summer enrichment programs. These scholarships are sponsored by the members of the Mt. Lebanon School District Teachers' Union.



Examples of acceptable programs: (NOT found in our regular curriculum)

- Leadership conferences
- Art programs
- Music programs
- Drama programs
- Dance studies
- Forensic/debate programs
- Science or computer science camps
- Culture and language camps

Programs that will not be funded:

- Athletic camps

- Religious camps
- Travel-abroad programs
- Private tutoring/lessons

For an application to be considered, you must submit both of the following:

- Online application *Do NOT use the "copy" and "paste" function when completing your online application.*
- Two brief teacher/coach/mentor recommendations

NOTE: Applying does not ensure an award.

Submit an application online at:

www.mlea.org

The application deadline is Monday, 4/25.

Free Dental Clinic

Please see the [attached information](#) about free dental clinic in June.
~Do Sabol, School Nurse

Keep on Collectin'

Box Tops for Education Contest



Thank you to all the families who collected Box Tops! We will be announcing winners and honorable mentions in Collections Corner next week after the final counts are in.

As I write this, Washington has collected over 12,000 Box Tops - that's over \$1,200 for

our school! You are all amazing and your support is appreciated!

As we wind down the Box Tops Contest and prepare to award the winning classroom, it's time to turn our sights to our other important collections. Send in your Labels for Education and My Coke Rewards. Keep shopping at Giant Eagle, Shop 'N Save, and Giant Eagle. Every little bit helps!
~ Amy Olson and Diana Kierzkowski, Collections Corner Co-Chairs

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