

# washington WEEKLY News



## 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
- 8-10** WES Spirit FUNdraiser, Bruegger's
- 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
- 25** Principal's Coffee, 8:45 am
- 26** **No School:** Teacher In-Service

## What Day Is It?

- 03/21:** Day 4
- 03/22:** Day 5
- 03/23:** Day 1
- 03/24:** No School
- 03/25:** No School

## Weekly News

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### **Snuggle Up & Read**

*Chair:* Soncerae Yeager

*Readers:*

Mrs. Matthis  
Mr. Philips  
Mrs. Sharkey  
Mrs. Oldaker  
Mrs. Davis  
Mrs. Davidson  
Josie Daugherty  
Mrs. DiMicco

Mr. Cadman  
Mrs. Malock  
Ms. Barsotti  
Mrs. Crouthamel  
Ms. Tomlins  
Mrs. Robins  
Mrs. Harding

*Event Volunteers:* Nicole Boiano  
Gretchen Mayhause  
Kristen Delacour  
Stacy Bonenberger  
Molly McCullough  
Mr. Tim  
Mr. Dale

*Bell Ringer & Announcer:*  
Josh Dougherty

*Baking Families:* Tanya Brehm  
Trista Mentz Johns  
Kara Monocello  
Mary Claire Reynolds  
Tina Socinski  
Julie Toussaint  
Valerie Watterson

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[Day Camp](#)  
Grades 3-9

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**Mt. Lebanon Rec Center**

Sporties for Shorties  
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## Breakfast Social

*Donuts galore!*

Make plans now to join your kids and their teachers for the next WES Breakfast Social on Wednesday, April 6th from 7:45 to 8:30 am in the WES gym.



Please enter through door D-8 near the gym. We will have coffee, juice, donuts, fruit and a few other treats available. Suggested donations to help offset the costs of the event will be \$1 per donut or muffin, \$0.50 per drink, and \$0.50 per banana.

No need to RSVP, just show up and have fun!  
~ Chad Wertz, Todd Schultz and John Petulla, Breakfast Social Co-Chairs

## Lunchtime Club



Lunchtime Clubs have ended successfully and a huge thank you goes out to all of our volunteers. I am so grateful to of had so many of you sign up to chair a club - Washington parents, teachers and past parents as well. We are such a close knit community that we have volunteers come and help that do not even have children in the elementary school anymore! We had some great new clubs this year. The children had a lot of fun.

~ Heather Damron, Lunchtime Clubs Chair

## Family Dance

*It is time to DANCE!*

Pull out those dancing shoes and get ready to shake and groove at the 2016 Family Dance! Come join your family and friends for dancing, snacks, and beverages at the Washington Elementary lunch room and gym. It will be held on Friday, April 15, 2016 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm.



The students will once again be voting for the top 5 songs of the year with a DJ, balloon drop and glow sticks galore! For more information [click here](#) to view the flyer.

Want to help with the festivities? Contact: Christine Wittman: [christine.wittman15@gmail.com](mailto:christine.wittman15@gmail.com) or Heather Damron: [damrongirls3@gmail.com](mailto:damrongirls3@gmail.com).

~ Christine Wittman and Heather Damron, Family Dance Co-Chairs

## February PTA Minutes

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



Preschool & Kindergarten

[Lil' Sluggers T Ball](#)  
Ages 4-Kindergarten

[Daddy/Daughter Dance](#)  
Kindergarten-Grade 5

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All Ages

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## 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/e6FnGP6ITZ>) 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](mailto:charconw@verizon.net).  
~ CharLynn Wertz, Membership Chair

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## 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](mailto: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](mailto:stephanie.fedrobyrom@gmail.com) or dropped off in the school office.
- 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](mailto:stephanie.fedrobyrom@gmail.com) or dropped off in the school office



# Smile

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 Amee Oakes 412-969-1104 / [oakes1010@verizon.net](mailto: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

### 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](http://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 Results



Thank you all for your great efforts for the Box Top Contest! Washington collected 13,241 Box Tops in just two weeks!

The winner is:  
MS. PERRETT (1,710)

Special honors go to:

Mrs. Crouthamel (1,325)

Mr. Cogis (1,142)

And our grade level best were:

K Mrs. Mathis' afternoon class (285)

1 Mrs. Folmer (530)

2 Mrs. Oldaker (728)

3 Ms. Perrett (1,710)

4 Mrs. Crouthamel (1,325)

5 Mrs. Davidson (812)

Don't stop now - keep sending in your Box Tops, Labels for Education, and My Coke Rewards. Shop at Giant Eagle, Target, and Shop 'N Save.

Let's end the year with big collections to our favorite school!

~ Amy Olson and Diana Kierzkowski, Collections Corner Co-Chairs

## Washington Elementary School

Principal: Mary Kay Davis

PTA President: Julie Toussaint, [julietoussaint@gmail.com](mailto:julietoussaint@gmail.com)

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