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Awbury Weekly Wissahickon 12/11/2020

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A Message From Dean Kristi:

Dear Families,

I hope you have had some good opportunities to connect with your child(ren)'s teacher(s) this week. This has been a fall like no other and I'm proud of our community for taking it all in stride.

Earlier this week I sent out a message in Class Tag and now I'm following up through our Weekly Wissahickon to make sure you got the update about opening plans. **With COVID-19 at very high levels, we will not plan to open on January 18th as we'd hoped.** I am still hopeful that some of our students will be able to experience hybrid learning this year, but that can't happen until the local spread of the virus is under control. At this time, we will offer our remote program until further notice.

Take care,

Kristi

There is now a key to navigating the Weekly Wissahickon. Please see below:

Red= Essential

Blue= On Radar

Purple= Extras

Essential:

Attendance

If your child will be absent, late or you need to send in a note or any documentation pertaining to attendance please do not send them to your child's teacher. Please email all correspondence and documentation to aw.attendance@wissahickoncharter.org

Honors Breakfast

For those students who have earned honors in trimester 1, Please come join us to celebrate your child's accomplishments this trimester!

Come hear from guest speakers, see a special performance and celebrate your children! Festive attire encouraged!

Check your email for the evite with zoom login info!!

Middle School English MAP Assessments

This week, on December 15th and 16th, the Middle School will be taking the MAP English assessment from 9-10am each day. The MAP assessment is a computerized adaptive test which helps teachers, parents, and administrators improve learning for all students and make informed decisions to promote a child's academic growth. As always, please be sure that your child gets adequate rest the night before and is present on both test days.

On Radar:

Virtual Book Fair

Our Virtual Book Fair, hosted by Scholastic, will run online from Monday, December 7 through December 20, 2020. Your purchases support our library

and your child's love of reading.

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

Browse the Book Fair Flier here: <https://bookfairsfiles.scholastic.com/flippingbooks/F20-online-booklist/F20-online-booklist.html>

Shipping is free for book orders (non-book orders will charge shipping) over \$25! Shipping this season is even more strained, so shipment will likely take at least two weeks to arrive.

*Any families struggling financially throughout this crisis, please reach out to Ms. Kourtney (Fernhill Librarian) at kourtneyg@wissahickoncharter.org

Thank you as always for supporting our school library and your student's love of books!

A Note from the Student Council

We've got spirit! How about you?! Please join us as we celebrate our all virtual spirit week! Show us how fun and creative you can be with our ZOOM-friendly themed days of the week! The homeroom who shows the most spirit by the end of the week will win the WCS Awbury School Spirit Stick and bragging rights for the rest of the school year! ! Please see the attached flyer for more details!



Grief/Loss Support Groups for Students

We know that the past year has been truly difficult for our students and families, and many students have lost loved ones. Beginning in January 2021, Ms. Abby (Counselor) and Ms. Sherrie (Social Work intern) will be facilitating grief groups for students. We hope to provide students with support and skills to help the healing process. Groups will meet weekly for 6-8 weeks. Scheduling will depend on the number of students and grade levels - students will be organized based on age/grade.

If you are the family member of a student who recently lost a loved one, we offer this service to your student. Please email Ms. Abby a.beljean@wissahickoncharter.org with any questions or if you are interested in your child participating and Ms. Abby/Ms. Sherrie will reach back to you to discuss. Contact a.beljean@wissahickoncharter.org 267-551-0780

EXTRAS:

The Environmental Committee presents....

An Activity Calendar for the month of December!!

The environmental committee has spent some time brainstorming ideas for off-screen opportunities for the WCS community. Our outcome is a December activity calendar for students and families filled with at home crafts and experiments, as well as some Philly outdoor events.

Here is the link: https://docs.google.com/drawings/d/1_xY7CGp_H1l-5mhkUIEBSVNdmSel6gzANaHUVD-JKqk/edit?usp=sharing

Free Desk Resource!!

Need a desk for your student or an excellent opportunity to give back by donating time/skills/funds? If so, please click on the link below.

<http://www.tinywpa.org/stories/2020/desksforphillystudents>

