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Message From Dean Kristi

Dear Families,

I hope this finds you all well as we head into this four day weekend. Remember that your child(ren) do not need to log on again until Wednesday, February 17th. I hope you enjoy the time and get the chance to get outside.

Please keep your eyes out for a Class Tag message from me today as well. It will be long but it's important to read it completely.

Many thanks,

Kristi

Essentials:

Important Dates

Monday, February 15, 2021 - Presidents Day, Administrative Offices and Schools **Closed**

Tuesday, February 16, 2021 - Flex day, Administrative Offices and Schools **Closed**

Meal Distribution

WCS will be closed this coming Monday (2/15) and Tuesday (2/16). Therefore, our meal distribution for the week of February 15th will be pushed back to Wednesday February 17th instead of that Monday. The timeframe will remain the same, **8AM-6PM**. Thank you for flexibility. Stay safe and enjoy the days off!

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**

On Radar:

Black History Month Projects!!

In celebration of Black History Month, students will be receiving a 2 part at home project to complete. The project will be shared with families/students next week and is due February 22nd!! Please see below for the category assigned to part 1 of the student project.

Themes by Grade

K	Just Like Me
1	The Arts: writers, artists, musicians
2	Science and Technology
3	Biography
4	Sports and Wellness
5	Present Day Agents of Change
6	Politicians
7	Just Like I Wanna Be
8	Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You (Book Figures)

In addition to the project, we will also be celebrating the month with a Black History Month

Assembly & Black Lives Matter Week celebrations!

Wrap up Black Lives Matter in School Week with this FREE virtual concert.

[BLM Week of Action Concert: Philly Celebrates BlackJoy! on Friday night at 7:30.](#)

Black Lives Matter Art Show

The Wissahickon Parent Partnership is hosting an art show to celebrate the Black Lives Matter Week of Action. Art has a way of turning our feelings into the physical through visual art, spoken word, dance, and music....We invite you, WCS students, teachers, staff and family members to use this space to share your own original creative expressions or work of a well known artist that has inspired you. Everyday is Black History Month and BLM week of action so we are asking you focus your work on the celebration of Black Life, Culture, Magic and Joy...and/or create a piece of artwork that expresses how you feel living in this moment in history. Use this [padlet link to post your art!](#) To submit your artwork hit the plus sign at the bottom of the screen and choose from the following 1. Post a photo of your drawing, painting, or sculpture 2. Write out your poetry, short story or quote 3. Post a video of yourself reading your writing, singing a song, rapping, dancing or short film.



Workshop for WCS Families

Wissahickon is partnering with [Uplift Philly](#) to host a workshop for families on supporting kids/teens through grief and loss. The workshop will help families understand how children express/deal with loss at different ages and also give you tools/techniques to support your children when dealing with trauma and loss.

Date: Wednesday, February 24th

5:30 - 7:00 pm

Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/94802614392>

Meeting ID: 948 0261 4392



Wednesday, February 24th

5:30 - 7:00 pm

Presented by: Katherine Streit, Uplift Philly

Open to all Wissahickon families

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NOTE: This will not be a support group. Uplift offers support groups for children, teens, adults. For more information on these groups or for more therapeutic resources, you can contact Katherine at katherinesupliftphilly.org, or call Uplift's Philly Hope Line (at 833-PHL-HOPE or 833-745-4673) M-F, 10am - 8pm, to receive free emotional support and counseling for you or your child. Learn more about Uplift at www.upliftphilly.org

If you have any questions, email Ms. Abby at a.beljean@wissahickoncharter.org

Morris Arboretum summer camp scholarships

The Morris Arboretum at the University of Pennsylvania, located in nearby Chestnut Hill, works with Wissahickon each summer to offer some of our students the opportunity to attend their camp. The Morris Arboretum will select one student per week (for a total of six weeks) to receive a scholarship to their Summer Adventure Camp. If you are interested in applying, please use the link [here](#) to access the application and submit it to jgrubin@upenn.edu

Extras:

Restorative Justice at Home: Tip of the Week

Hit the Pause Button: It's helpful for parents and children to take some time for a "cooling-

off” period after an issue arises. Taking time to collect your thoughts and feelings can help in discussing the situation and coming to a restorative solution. (www.parenttoday.org)

Stay tuned for more tips next week!

Cares Champions:

Congratulations to this week's Cares Champions!

K-5

Kindergarten: Toni Medley is a quiet force of sunshine that brightens our day with her silly stories and infectiousness smile. She is always willing to participate and loves to hang out with her teachers in small groups. She's a great example of a hard working student that always wants to learn more. Keep up the great work Toni!

6-8

6th grade: A'ahzere Lucas has been a blast to have in class all year! A'ahzere is always engaged in his work, asking great questions, and standing up for himself and his peers. He leans in when he's confronted with new challenges, and comes to office hours regularly. Your perseverance and work ethic are an example for everyone in our class, A'ahzere!

7th Grade: Lamont Lister threw himself into our new ELA unit, reading all of the Outsiders in the first week! It has been really challenging in 7th grade to tackle a whole class novel remotely, but Lamont has really stepped up to the plate! He has a lot to contribute in class and shows responsibility by communicating with teachers. Great job Lamont!

The February Activities Calendar is In!!

Click the link below to check it out!

[February Activity Calendar.](#)

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