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**Weekly Wissahickon 11/12/2021**

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# Wissahickon

## CHARTER SCHOOL

***Message from Dean Kristi***

Dear Families,

I shared earlier this week that our Fernhill campus has moved to remote learning for the next two weeks due to Covid-19 cases. The situation evolved quickly there and I learned a few things about how to prepare that I want to share in case we find ourselves in this same situation at Awbury at some point. Awbury does not currently have any cases so this is just to make sure that we are prepared for the future.

First off, our practice is to post our number of cases at each campus weekly on our website. You can always check Family Resources ([link here](#)) to see the current number of cases we've had. Any families or classes who are directly impacted by a positive case of Covid-19 receive calls and messages with news and updates but we have not sent messages about each case to the whole school. If we have a spike in cases that is higher

than normal but still lower than the threshold to close the school, I will make sure I send a message to the whole school community to keep you informed.

Secondly, I want to ask you again to please purchase chargers to keep at home. If we need to go remote at some point, the school cannot send chargers home with every child. If you have a student in K-2, they will need an iPad charger (same as an iPhone charger). Students in 3rd-8th will need a Chromebook charger. I'm resharing information about where to find them. Having this at home means you are ready!

Many thanks,

Kristi

### ***Charger Information***

#### 1.Chromebook Charger Information

If purchasing a charger is financially impossible for you, please alert your child's teacher as soon as possible so we can work to send one home on Friday.

##### *In-store Pick-up:*

Compuworld

[121 City Ave, Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004](#)

[\(610\) 660-0620](#)

(Ask for USB-C 65 Watt charger \$19.99)

McMobile

[1250 Township Line Rd, Drexel Hill, PA 19026](#)

(Ask for USB-C 65 Watt charger, various models & pricing)

##### *Online delivery:*

Walmart: [AC Adapter Charger for Dell Chromebook 3100, Chromebook 3100 2-in-1. By Galaxy Bang USA](#)

Amazon: [65W 45W USB Type C AC Adapter for Dell Chromebook Latitude 3500 3400 3100 3300](#)

#### 2.iPad Charger Information

##### *In-store Pickup:*

Compuworld

[121 City Ave, Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004](#)

[\(610\) 660-0620](tel:(610)660-0620)

(Ask for 7th Generation iPad brick & lightning charger \$12.99)

Manayunk iPhone Repair

[4329 Main St, Philadelphia, PA 19127](#)

[\(215\) 914-5775](tel:(215)914-5775)

(Ask for 7th Generation iPad brick & lightning charger \$20)

McMobile

[1250 Township Line Rd, Drexel Hill, PA 19026](#)

(Ask for 7th Generation iPad brick & lightning charger, various models & pricing)

*Online delivery:*

Best Buy: [Anker - PowerPort PD Nano 20W USB-C Wall Charger with 6-ft USB-C to Lightning Cable](#)

Amazon: [iPad Charger iPhone Charger \[Apple MFi Certified\] 12W USB Wall Charger Foldable Portable Travel Plug with USB to Lightning Cable](#)

*Please use the specifications below as a guide should you purchase a charger from a source different from the ones provided.*

Chromebook (Dell 3100)

Type: 65 W USB -C

Input Voltage 100 VAC - 240 VAC

Input current (maximum) 1.7 A

Output current 20 V/3.25 A (continuous), 15 V/3 A (continuous), 9 V/3 A (continuous), 5 V/3 A (continuous)

iPad (Wi-Fi 32GB, 7th Generation)

Type: 12 W USB - Lightning cable (cable sometimes sold separately)

Input Voltage 100 VAC - 240 VAC

Input current (maximum) 0.5 A

Output current 5.2 V/2.4 A (continuous)

### ***Essentials:***

### ***Important Dates***

**November 22nd - Last day of First Trimester - School is OPEN**

**November 23rd - Report Card Writing Day - STAFF ONLY**

**November 24th-26th - Thanksgiving Holiday - Administrative Offices and School Closed**

### ***Front Office Updates***

- **Phones** - Please note that our front office staff assists with arrival and dismissal. If you call the office before 9:30 AM or after 2:30 PM, there is no guarantee staff will be able to answer your call. If your call is not answered, please leave a message.
- **Arrival** - We are asking any parents who walk their child up to not park on the school side of Washington Lane, so there can be a constantly flowing line of traffic coming into the driveway from the parking lane. This will increase safety and speed of drop off. Thanks!
- **Masks** - We are spending thousands of dollars on student masks. Please make sure your child has one on when they get to school and has a spare in their backpack. If parents are able, please send in boxes of masks to support us! The disposable adult and child masks are perfect.

### ***Water Bottles Needed Daily***

One of our COVID safety mitigation features includes having covers on our water fountains to prevent use. In place of the traditional water fountains, we put in water bottle dispensers and gave each student a water bottle with their name on it that they need to travel between school and home with. Some students are starting to come to school without water bottles and this is causing a lot of different problems for us. It is imperative that each student comes to school with either the water bottle that we gave them or one from home.

### ***Flat Rate Program Payment***

Many of our families that have enrolled in the flat rate program have not received a confirmation email. Please complete the Parent Payment form found [HERE](#). Please note you must complete this form **each month**. The school must also complete a payment form each month. The school payment form will be submitted by the 8th of each month. The school payment forms for September and October will be submitted by November 8, 2021. Please refer to the FAQs document found [HERE](#) for more information. All question should be emailed to [Ms. Shonda](#).

### ***WCS Residency Questionnaire***

WCS is sending a Residency Questionnaire to all families to better serve families who qualify as McKinney-Vento. The McKinney-Vento Act provides services and supports for children and youth experiencing homelessness. You can find more information on pages 75 & 76 of your WCS Student Handbooks. This will be included in your Title I paperwork being sent home. You can also complete the form electronically [HERE](#). You only need to complete ONE form per family.

### ***October's Lunch Menu***

[Click here](#)

***On Radar******After School Program***

We are still accepting students from grades K-5th in our After School Program. If you are interested or need more information please click [here](#) to get started! Thank you!

***Self Defense Class for 7th and 8th Graders***

We are excited about Welcoming Master Whitaker to WCS to teach our 7th and 8th graders some self-defense and de-escalation techniques in order to be more vigilant about our surroundings. In response to our students feeling unsafe as they travel on Sept to and from school we hope this will be one added measure to ensure if they are in an unpredictable circumstance they can defend themselves. He will be visiting our school on Nov 12th and 19th.

***Canned Food Drive***

Help us make a difference! Student council is proud to present a school wide canned food and non perishable food items drive. Please bring in as many food items as possible to help feed people less fortunate than ourselves. Our goal is to fill the boxes located in every classroom by November 19th and donate them to a local food pantry. Let's do our part to lend a helping hand! The drive will run from Monday, November 1st- November 19th. The homeroom with the most cans will win a pizza party!!

***Winter Coats***

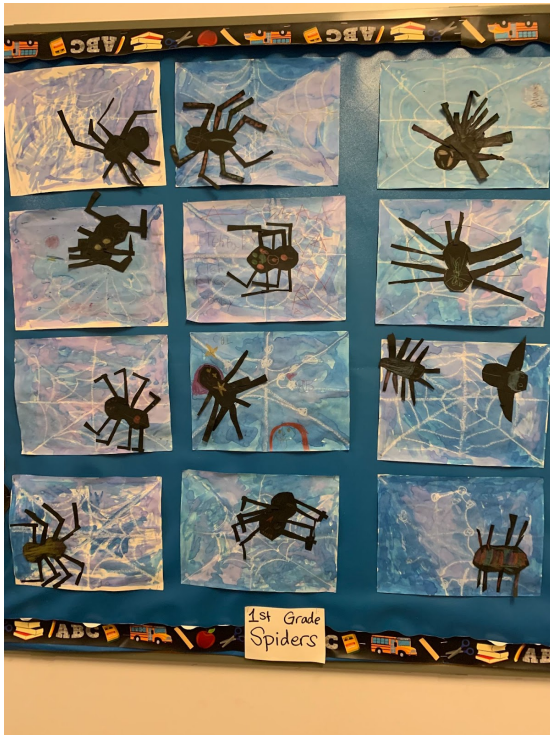
If your child is in need of a winter coat, we received a donation of some winter coats. We are limited in quantity and size but if we have it available, we are happy to assist. Unfortunately, we do not have any adult sizes available. If your child needs a winter coat, please email [a.beljean@wissahickoncharter.org](mailto:a.beljean@wissahickoncharter.org)

***EXTRAS:***

*In art, Kindergarten made owls, hungry caterpillars and butterflies!*



*1st Grade make spiders using crayon resist and collage!*





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