



Wissahickon

CHARTER SCHOOL

A Historic Day

Dear Families,

We're coming up on the final stretch of Trimester 1. With two weeks left, we hope to see ALL students show their best selves throughout the day - in classes and specials, in the halls, at recess and lunch.

We're excited for this trimester to end with the greatest number of students on honor roll & the fewest on academic probation.

Please encourage your child to make the most of every chance to learn, try their best when facing challenges and ask questions.

Finally, on this historic day for our country, we urge you and your loved ones to VOTE.

Since getting to the polls can cut into homework time with young children, Lower School students can bring in your "I voted" sticker or a note from a parent/guardian instead of tonight's homework if they didn't have a chance to complete it. Middle school students are discussing the election in their homerooms and social studies classes.

All the best,

Jenny Lunstead & Rebecca Benarroch
Lower & Middle School Directors

Middle & Lower School Mentoring Club Celebration



General news & announcements

C.A.R.E.S. Shout Outs of the Week

Submit your C.A.R.E.S. shout outs for students, staff or other family members [here](#). This week all shout-outs are for appropriate assertion - our focus for November.

- Dylan A in 1st grade for assertion: Standing up for another student and helping to include them in the art activity. ~ from Ms. Wooley
- Kendle in 3rd grade for assertion: Having a serious question about her test & politely asking, "Excuse me. Can I talk to you about my test during our break?" ~ from Ms. Angelica
- Yasir M in 6th grade for assertion: Asking great questions and working hard to complete his prewriting for his literary essay! ~ from Mr. M.

News from the WPP

- **Our WPP meeting date has change to next Tuesday, 11/15**, please make a note of it!
- Please get out and vote!
- Love Your Park Cleanup Day ([click here for flyer](#)) at our very own Fernhill Park will be this Saturday, the 12th from 8:30-12:30.
- We are kicking off a Kid Stuff Coupon Book fundraiser today and packets have been sent home with your children. These books have some AMAZING coupons to use all over town and on Black Friday! [Click here for details.](#)
 - BUY one for yourself, get some to give as gifts, sell to your neighbors and support our wonderful school.
 - YOU get a free book for every 5 books you sell
 - All profits will go towards funding our extra-curricular programs like student council, drama, sports, baking, music and more!
 - Order forms are due back Friday, Nov 18th.
 - You will need to return the coupon book if you are not planning to buy any ;)

Feel free to contact the WPP with any questions or comments: wppfernhill@gmail.com

Field trip policy reminder

Many classes have field trips coming up this week and next. It's essential that you return permission slips (and payment, if applicable) on time. From our handbook:

The following field trip procedures are meant to ensure that families know about trips in advance, and that teachers are not dealing with permission slips at the very last minute and can plan trip logistics.

1. Teachers planning field trips will send information and permission slips home with students at least two weeks ahead of the date of the trip.
2. If the cost of a trip is prohibitive for a family, we ask that the family communicate this in writing or by phone to the teacher.
3. Families need to return permission slips and money (or letter of need) by the day before the trip at the very latest.
4. Teachers will make a plan in advance for the placement of students who do not have their permission slips and/or money (or letter).
5. Even if a student comes to school on the day of the trip with his/her permission slip and money, s/he will be left at school according to the plan the teacher has made.

Note: This policy applies to trips that occur within the hours of one school day. For multi-day trips, permission slips and any required fees will be required at least one full week in advance of the date of the trip.

K-8 Canned Food Drive

From today, November 1st until Friday, November 18th, Student Council will be hosting a canned food drive for families in need of food for the Thanksgiving Holiday. Each homeroom will have a donation bin beside their door to collect donations. The homeroom that brings in the most canned food will win a free breakfast during morning meeting!

For Lower School

Clubs, clubs clubs!

More than 100 lower school students are signed up to participate in recess enrichment clubs! Your child should have learned from their homeroom teacher if they are in a club (or two!). Choir and Running got off to a great start last week; Rhythm and Music, Spanish, and Yoga begin next week. Thanks to our amazing parents and community volunteers Jesse Keenan, Jimmy Coleman, Rosi Barbera, Christine Lussier, and M'B Singley.

For Middle School

Reminder: Tools for supporting your middle schooler

Please use the tools we've shared to support your middle schooler:

- Middle School Wiki: [6th grade](#), [7th grade](#), [8th grade](#)
- [PowerSchool](#) to check grades whenever you want - and at least once/week with your child
- [Email me \(Ms. Rebecca\)](#) if you need your PowerSchool log-in

You are also welcome to call or email your child's teacher. Staff should return your communication within 2 school days.

Please continue to help your child connect their daily actions and behaviors with their learning & grades. All grades are important for special opportunities like scholarships, and 7th is what high schools use to make admission decisions.

6th Grade

- Homeroom teachers: [Mr. Josh](#) (601) & [Ms. Thomas](#) (602).
- Daily homework updates [here](#).

7th Grade

- Homeroom teachers: [Ms. Izzy](#) (701) & [Ms. Sandler](#) (702)
- Daily homework updates [here](#).

8th Grade

- Homeroom teachers: [Mr. C.](#) (801) & [Ms. Polite](#) (802)
- Daily homework updates [here](#).
- High School Applications (SDP now through Nov 14)
Come to your 1-1 meeting with Ms. Allyson [\(267\) 338-1020 ext. 3905](#).
- Discovery Project due Monday, Nov. 21.

7th & 8th graders visit the Philly Waste Water Treatment Plant



Important Dates

Mon. 11/7 - Wed, 11/9 - 5th Horsham Outdoor School

Wed. 11/9- 1st grade trip- Chestnut Hill

Thurs. 11/10- 2nd grade trip- Linvilla Orchards

Fri. 11/11- Veterans Day- School CLOSED

Mon. 11/14 - 7th/8th Aquarium trip

Tues, 11/15 - WPP Meeting @ 6pm (rescheduled from 11/8); Board Meeting @ Awbury @ 6:30pm

Wed, 11/16 - 3rd Drexel Med School trip


Thurs, 11/17 - 1st Italian Market trip

Fri, 11/18 - 7th/8th Waterworks trip

Mon, 11/21 - Last day, Trimester 1; Spirit Day; Dress Down Day (themes in next week's Weekly Wiss); MS town hall in morning; Kindergarten potluck in afternoon

Check out [this amazing calendar of family events](#) this year. Thank you, WPP!

Links We Love!



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