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Dear families,

The year is definitely underway with so many events, trips and special activities happening throughout the school - in addition to daily classes, of course. Read on for more information on lots of different programs, including a WPP initiative to support hurricane relief efforts in Puerto Rico.

Happy fall,

Rebecca Benarroch
Middle School Director

102 during purposeful play and readers workshop.



General News & Announcements

Weekly Wissahickon Submissions

Hello all! Just a general FYI I will be sending out the weekly wissahickon going forward. Please make sure to send anything you would like to submit to me by Monday at 12pm sharp! You can email me at J.Jolley@wissahickoncharter.org I look forward to hearing from you!

From the Front Office

Dear Parents our annual picture day will be held on Tuesday, October 31st. Students are asked to come dressed in their finest attire, but please **NO COSTUMES!** Picture Day order forms will be sent home the week of the 23rd. Please send them back the day of pictures with money and form completed.

From the Development Office

We are so grateful for the outpouring of support we received at Back to School Night. We raised over \$1,500 between both Awbury and Fernhill campuses, which is more than we've ever raised on Back to School Night! Thanks for helping to set our students up for a successful school year. There is still time to make a gift, by [clicking here](#). - Ms. Allie

Wissahickon Parent Partnership Corner

- Shirt , hoodie and magnet order forms are [here](#) and are also being sent home with your child today. All order forms for a hoodie, a shirt or a magnet are due back to the FRONT DESK by next Tuesday, October 11th. This year we will have a green shirt with printing on the front and back, a green or grey hoodie to choose from, and a WCS logo magnet to choose from! Please direct ANY questions to us: wppfernhill@gmail.com Let's get some school spirit out there!!!
- We are spearheading a project to get our entire school community involved in helping those in need in Puerto Rico. Please see the flyer attached [here](#) and send your children to school with pennies to donate!
- Next WPP Meeting is October 10th at 6pm in the library. Pizza and childcare will be provided. Please join us!

Late Pick-up Fee

Wednesday September 27th, late pick up enforcement began. The charge will be \$1 a minute starting at 3:45p on regular dismissal and 1p on early dismissal.

For Lower School

Recess Clubs for 2nd-5th Graders begin next week! Applications for the fall/winter session were sent home today and are due **Friday, October 6**. Students must have good behavior in and out of club to participate and must commit to spending one recess period per week coming to the club instead of recess. Please know that space is limited. Here are the following clubs offered:

Choir with Ms M'B -- Mondays

Learn and practice songs, and perform with the choir.

Rhythm and Music with Mr. Jimmy -- Tuesdays

Learn rhythms on the bucket drums, begin to read music, and perform for your classmates.

Yoga with Ms. Christine--Wednesdays

Yoga is a type of exercise that includes breath control, simple meditation, and specific body poses. It is widely practiced for health and relaxation. Come see if yoga is for you!

Running Club with Mr. Jesse -- Thursdays

Come for a run in Fernhill park every week. Build your strength to run a 5K race!

Calling 5th Graders for My Daughter's Kitchen!

All 5th graders received an application for the after-school cooking program, My Daughter's Kitchen. If your 5th grader is interested, please complete the parent permission slip, the release waiver, and have your child complete the student application. All three are due to your child's homeroom teacher by Friday, October 6th.- Ms. Allie

For Middle School

October 3 & 4 7th/8th Insight Days

7th Graders who returned permission slips go on Wednesday, Oct 4.

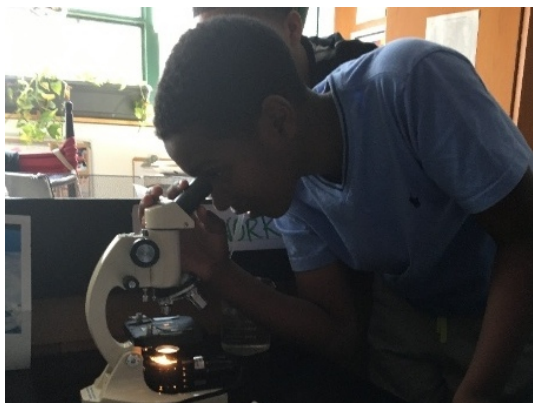
8th Graders who returned permission slips & are not going backpacking go on Tuesday, Oct 3.

- The trip takes place entirely during the school day.
- Please make sure your child comes with a bag lunch and wears comfortable clothing & sneakers (like they would for PE).
- If your child has an inhaler that the school doesn't keep, they should bring it.
- All other school rules apply.
- It's going to be great fun!

Middle School Wiki is Up & Running for Daily Homework Updates

Click [here for the MS Wiki homepage](#). Then click on your child's grade (on the left) to see daily homework updates. Homework is usually posted by 4:30pm.

Look at 8th grade learn & 4th grade taking its first hike of the year!



Important Dates

Mon, Oct 2 - Fri, Oct 6 - 8th backpacking trip

Mon, Oct 2 - Lower School Recess Clubs start

Tues, Oct 3 OR Wed, Oct 4 - 7th/8th Insight Days; 7th LA benchmarks, part 2

Sat, Oct 7 - First day of Saturday Make-up Time

Mon, Oct 9-Columbus Day - School is Open

Mon, Oct - through Fri Oct 13- Spirit Week

Fri, Oct 13 Middle school dance (Tentative)





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