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What's Happening at West Millbrook...

- February 12 (Monday).....Basketball: Wakefield @ West Millbrook – 3:45 pm
- February 13 (Tuesday).....**PTA Meeting** – 7:00 pm
- February 14 (Wednesday).....**Basketball: Battle of the Brooks – East Millbrook Middle School @ WMMS 3:45 pm**
- February 15 (Thursday).....Blood Drive Sponsored by Builders Club
- February 19 (Monday).....**Make-up Day for February 1 Snow Day**
- February 19 (Monday).....Baseball Tryouts Begin
- February 20 (Tuesday).....Soccer, Track and Softball Tryouts Begin

Spring Sports is Just Around the Corner!

Don't miss the opportunity of trying-out for a spring sport. You will need to have a copy of a current physical (within 365 days), a copy of your last report card, and any other information requested by the coach which was handed out at the sport information meetings. If you are not currently covered by an insurance plan, it can be purchased through West Millbrook. Please see Coach Calhoun or stop by the front office to get a physical form and/or insurance application. Tryouts will begin the week of February 19th and are open to all 7th and 8th grade students. If you have any questions concerning the process of trying-out or eligibility requirements, please contact the Athletic Director, Dan Calhoun, at dcalhoun@wcpss.net or 870-4072.

Baseball - 2/19

Softball - 2/20

(Anyone interested in trying out for fast-pitch softball should See Coach Moore for an information packet as soon as possible)

Boys and Girls Track - 2/20

Boys Soccer - 2/20

March Madness – March 1

Mark your calendars and come out to cheer on your friends at West Millbrook's wildest basketball games! The 6th grade plays the 7th grade, and then the winner plays the 8th grade. Watch the Lady Cats take on the Lady teachers and the men's team take on the male teachers. We'll have a foul-shooting contest, raffle for great prizes, food, and plenty of fun! All the action is on Thursday, March 1, 3:30–7pm. Watch for more information going home soon!

Patrick B Wins Geographic Bee

Patrick, a 7th grader at WMMS, won the school-level competition of the National Geographic Bee on January 8, overcoming stiff competition from 25 other Wildcats. 8th grader Connor P took second place, while 6th grade student John N came in 3rd. The Bee is sponsored by the National Geographic Society.

Patrick now has a chance to compete at the state-wide competition on March 30. The National Geographic Society will provide an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C., for state champions to participate in the National Geographic Bee National

Championship on May 22 and 23, 2007. The first-place national winner will receive a \$25,000 college scholarship and a lifetime membership in the Society.

So you'll be ready for next year's Bee, brush up with GeoBee Challenge, an online geography quiz at www.nationalgeographic.com/geobee. Congratulations Patrick!

From the Career Corner

On Tuesday Feb. 6, Career Day occurred at WMMS. About 50 members of the community presented an overview of their careers to the students. Each class was afforded the opportunity to hear three speakers. Several presenters complimented the Committee on the attentive behavior of our students and expressed a desire to return to WMMS. The hard work of the PTA Career Day Committee was reflected in the enjoyment and curiosity evidenced by the students, a true success for everyone! If you would like to become a part of this group either as a presenter or committee member please contact Patricia McGlynn, Career Development Coordinator at 518-0111 or pmcglynn@wcpss.net.

A reminder that the Business Alliance Pizza Supper will take place on Monday Feb. 12 at the home basketball game against Wakefield.

ESL NEWS

The ESL Department will be giving the IPT State Mandated Test on February 9th and 12th. Students will test in their ESL classes. Then on February 22nd, all other LEP students will test in the Media Center starting at 8:30. The testing will last all day.

El Pueblo is currently conducting a six weeks anti-gang program with Hispanic students.

The February Character Trait is INTEGRITY!

Character Education Luncheon

On January 25th, the WMMS PTA sponsored a Character Education Luncheon for twenty students who demonstrated SELF-DISCIPLINE,

the January Character Trait. Two students from each team and two students from our Autism class were chosen by their teachers to be invited to the PTA pizza luncheon recognizing them for their good character. These students not only enjoyed pizza, drinks, and cookies, they also received a certificate, prizes and treats. Congratulations to our fine students, who are in proper control of their words and actions, and do their best in all situations!

Gems – Barry L, Tori H
Seals – Cammi D, Evan R
Dolphins – Graham H, Megan S
Falcons – Nilka DR Tejado, Patrick B
Lions – Kaighn K, Sarah M
Panthers – Qanya P, Helen M
Eagles – Sheila R, Chris R
Sharks – Justus H, Emily R
Tigers – Laura R, Daniel B
Autism Class – Mark L, David C

PARENTS OF 8TH GRADERS

The high school open house/curriculum fairs are the best way to receive accurate information about the high school your child will attend. Check the "High School Registration" link on our website (www.wmms.net) for information.

MAGNET SCHOOL APPLICATIONS-

Magnet applications are available online starting February 12, 2007. The application period ends February 28, 2007. Magnet applications will **only be accepted online**.