



The Wildcat News

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What's Happening at West Millbrook...

- April 24 (Mon.) Softball @ Durant: 3:45 p.m.
- April 25 (Tues.) Baseball @ Ravenscroft: 4:30 p.m. ~ Concert Choir/Chorus Concert - Multipurpose Room: 7 - 8 p.m.
- April 26 (Wed.) Boys' Soccer @ Wakefield: 3:45 p.m.
Internet Safety for Parents - Media Center 6:30 - 8 p.m.
- April 27 (Thurs.) Softball vs. Zebulon: 3:45 p.m. ~ Track Meet 4: WMMS, EMMS @ Heritage
Baseball vs. Davis Drive ~ Job Shadow Day for 8th Graders
- May 1 - 5 Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 1 (Mon.) Spring Beginning Band & Orchestra Concert (Albert's students) - Multipurpose Room: 7 - 8 p.m.
- May 2 (Tues.) Baseball @ North Garner
- May 3 (Wed.) Boys' Soccer vs. East Wake: 3:45 p.m.
- May 4 (Thurs.) Softball @ Wake Forest: 3:45 p.m. ~ Baseball @ Holly Ridge
Explosion Dance Company Concert - Multipurpose Room: 7 - 8 p.m.

From the Principal's Desk...

End of Year is Near

Parents, Thank you for your continued support of our programs at WMMS. With parents, teachers, support staff, and administrators working together, we strive to always maintain a positive learning environment for our children. As the weather warms and students anticipate the end of school, we need to frequently remind our students of behavior and dress expectations. Several weeks ago, our students received a "Wildcats on the Prowl" flyer that outlines these expectations. A copy of this flyer can be found on our website WMMS.NET. Click the "Behavior & Dress" link in the left-hand column of the homepage.

Internet Safety Seminar for Parents - This Wednesday Evening

Another area that parents and schools can partner relates to Internet safety. This Wednesday evening, representatives from NetSmartz and the Office of the Attorney General will hold an Internet Safety Seminar for Parents.

We believe that computer technology and the Internet are extremely important learning tools for all children, and skillful use of these tools are necessary for high school, college, and career success. At the same time, allowing children and young teens unsupervised freedom on the Internet can be hazardous. The Internet is an ever-changing environment with endless opportunities for people to network and socialize. Your children may know much more about Internet social networking than you do, but you have the wisdom to comprehend the dangers that they may not see.

Please plan to come to an educational evening that we are offering to you, our WMMS parents. This Internet Safety Seminar for Parents will be held this Wednesday (4/26) from 6:30 until 8 in the Media Center. Feel free to bring neighbors who are parents of children from our feeder schools, but plan to leave the children at home. Space is limited and some of our discussion and the film clips that will be shown may be inappropriate for your children. Contact Diane Walters at dwalters@wcpss.net or 676-5019 with questions.

Dr. Cindy J. Hall, Principal

Nurses Note...

Parents...please pick up your child's medicine at the end of the school year. We must dispose of all medicines that are not picked up, regardless of expiration dates and cost. Also, remember to get a new physician's order form for next year. The new form is two sided. Students must have a form signed by the physician on file before medications provided by the parent are administered. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Gayle Starkey, RN
School Based Public Health Nurse

Cultural Arts News...

The last two Cultural Arts performances of the school year will be presented at WMMS on Friday, April 28, featuring Arithmetickles. Students will participate in fast-paced, exciting skits that involve a series of math games and puzzles.

The WMMS PTA has funded artists throughout the year allowing each student to attend two or three performances.

Lois Knuff
PTA Cultural Arts Chair

MHS Marching Band & Color Guard Auditions ...

Auditions for the 2006-07 Millbrook High School Percussion Section of the MHS Marching band and Colorguard will be May 2, May 4, May 9 and May 11. Colorguard is open to both males and females.

TIME: 6:00 - 8:30pm

DATES: May 2, May 4, May 9 and May 11

LOCATION: Millbrook High School Band Room
For more information, email mhsband@wcpss.net
or contact Ms. Hale at 850-8791



Baseball Camp...

Attention parents. Coach Calhoun will hold his baseball camp for ages 9-12, June 19th - June 23rd this year. If you are interested in getting your son involved please contact Coach Calhoun at 870-4072 or email dcalhoun@wcpss.net

8th Grade Dance Committee...

The next meeting of the 8th Grade Dance Committee will be Friday, April 24 at 8:30 a.m.

Sub-committees are still in need of volunteers. If you are interested in helping out with the 8th Grade Dance or Picnic that precedes the dance, please call Denise Alfano at 870-5743 or e-mail me at wcvcontent@aol.com



WMMS Students Visit Their NCSU E-Pals..

Tuesday, April 18, was an exciting day for 35 West Millbrook eighth graders. That morning they boarded a bus destined for NC State University where they met many freshmen athletes who have served as their mentors over the past few months.

This program, conceived by Philip Moses, the Director of NC State's Academic Program for Student Athletes, was a cooperative effort between a group of his freshman student-athletes and a group of students taught by his wife, West Millbrook's Sharks Team Social Studies teacher, Mrs. Barb Moses. The WMMS and NCSU students communicated regularly by e-mail and discussed topics relating to high school, college, time management, and relationship issues.

The field trip was the culminating activity for the mentor program. When our students arrived at NCSU, the NCSU athletes formed a student panel and shared an assortment of information ranging from advice for high school to describing a typical day in the life of a student athlete. After that, WMMS students toured the athletic strength and conditioning facility and met with Coach Charlie Stephenson, Strength and Conditioning Coach for men and women's basketball. Our students then trekked to Reynold's Coliseum where they met other e-pals for small group visits. The morning ended with a motivational talk by Women's Basketball Assistant Coach, Stephanie Glance. Before departing NCSU the group shared a pizza lunch and got autographs from the athletes.