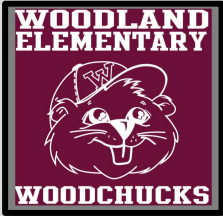


WORDS FROM WOODLAND



Woodland School Newsletter
June 2017

From the Principal, Jeff Heaney

It is hard to believe that we are less than 20 days away from the last day of school. I hope that you have enjoyed reading my "Words from Woodland" newsletters this year. While I found it enjoyable putting each month's newsletter together, capturing all of the magic that happens at Woodland School is a difficult task. After each of our special events I could not help but think how lucky I am to be in such a great place.

I would like to dedicate my final newsletter of the year to Ms. Jerilyn Mulvaney. Over the course of 15 years at Woodland School, Ms. Mulvaney has brought so much happiness to the students, staff and parents and has truly touched the lives of every one of us. Over the past 3 years that I have known her, she never missed an opportunity to share a funny story or to let me know how proud she was of the students ("her babies"). I know that many of you could share similar experiences and are all remembering little things that she would do to let you know that your kids were in good hands. Without question, she represented everything wonderful about Woodland School and always reminded us that it is all about the kids. Oh boy, did she love the kids! Ms. Mulvaney's little frame was masked by her huge personality. A personality that reminded us all to smile more, laugh often and love with all your heart.

Ms. Mulvaney was truly full of life, full of laughter and loved every child as if he or she were her own. She would certainly remind us all to hug someone as if it were the last time you would hug them, smile like you mean it, let everyone know when you enter the room, and most importantly dance as if no one is watching.



Always in our hearts. Thanks for your great hugs, infectious smiles, and the way you loved the students of Woodland. We are better people because you were in our lives. The hallways of Woodland will always be filled with your positive energy!

Poem in your Pocket

Thank you to Mrs. Zaleski, Mr. Yenish and Mrs. McGrath for planning the fun and engaging “Poem in Your Pocket” event. It was wonderful watching students and staff enjoying time together and sharing funny, happy, creative and thought provoking poems. Just another reason why “It’s ALWAYS a great day at Woodland.”



Congratulations to Jenn Ronkiewicz for receiving the Excellence in Education Award for Woodland School.



Woodland's Science Day

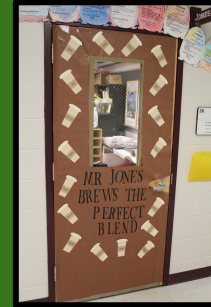
We thank Mrs. Naman and the Woodland PTO volunteers for all of the time and energy that went into an amazing Science Day. The students and staff had so much fun learning about the wonders and magic of science!!



Woodland students and staff celebrate "Pillars of Character" Spirit Day by wearing a good character trait on their shirts!!



Thank you to Mrs. McAusland and the wonderful PTO for a wonderful Teacher Appreciation Week. The food was delicious, the doors looked fantastic, and the daily gifts were very special. The staff also was excited to hear who won the morning raffles. Thanks for ALL that you do to make Woodland such a great place to work!



Thank you to the PTO for the brand new Gaga Pit. The students have been enjoying it. I overheard a student say, "This is awesome! We can include more people in the game."



Students in Mrs. Krumm's 4th grade REACH Too! class learned about the importance of clean water and how clean water can have an impact on less fortunate parts of the world. They then decided to make pillows to raise money for World Water Day.





Mr. Jones, Mrs. McGrath, Mr. Yenish and Mrs. Zaleski organized the "Adopt a Tree" project. The NJ Tree Foundation generously donated a variety of saplings that our students separated, organized and handed out to each Woodland family. Students then were asked to find a special place to plant their sapling, take a picture while planting it, and send the picture to Woodland for our "Tree planting" collage. Students learned about teamwork and the importance of taking care of our great planet. Thanks to the four teachers who organized this activity and provided the students with an enriching experience.



Thanks to Mrs. Krumm, students from Woodland were able to virtually connect with people in Ireland through Cisco technology as part of our International Day in March. They learned about Ireland's culture and customs. Afterwards, Woodland students sent thank you cards. The video link below captures the people we connected with in Ireland as they read through the cards. This video shows how Cisco technology has made our world just a bit smaller!! Please see the video link below.

[Message from Ireland](#)

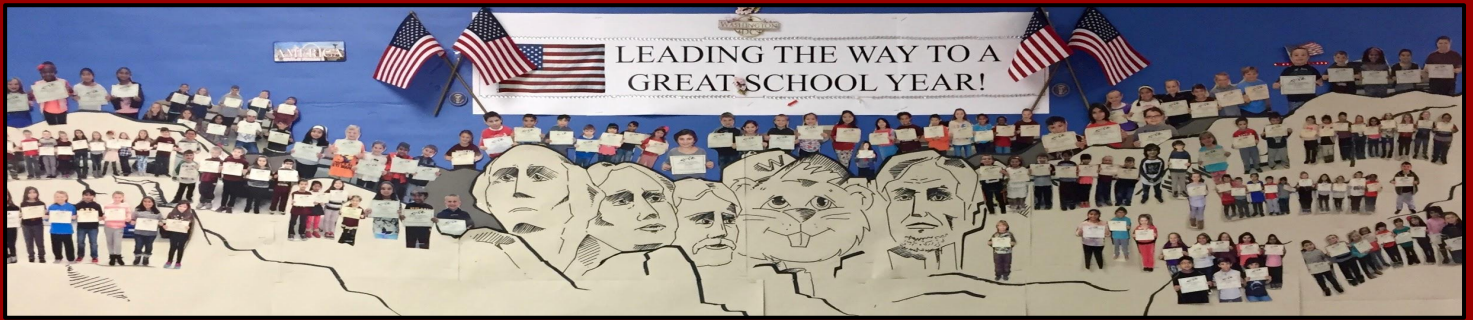
Woodland Staff and Students enjoyed a fun afternoon celebrating the Blue Ribbon nomination and the end of PARCC testing. Thank you to the PTO for providing a DJ and for the refreshing ice pops. The entire Woodland family had a blast. The best part was seeing the older students and younger students having fun together.



The best thing about,
Memories
... is making them



This Month's "Top of Mt. Woodland" Recipients!



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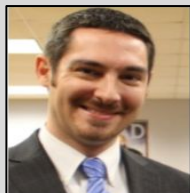


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Superintendent's Corner



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The Warren Township Board of Education is pleased to announce this year's winners of the coveted Excellence in Education Award. The following staff members were recognized by students, peers and parents for their outstanding commitment to the students of Warren. Congratulations and thank you to each!

**ALT - Elena Marinello, Grade 1 Teacher
Central - Hildegarde Jackson, Spanish Teacher
Mt. Horeb - Kristen Stoyanov, Grade 3 Teacher
Woodland - Jennifer Ronkiewicz, Art Teacher
Middle - Lauren Regal, Guidance Counselor**

These individuals, our recent retirees and award-winning students will all be celebrated at the June 5, 2017 Board of Education meeting, which will begin at 7:00pm in the Warren Middle School all-purpose room. Please consider joining us for this exciting event!

Matthew A. Mingle, Ed.D.

Coming Soon.....

Date	Event
Friday, June 2	5th grade trip to BIZTOWN
Monday, June 5	5th grade Musical (students/staff only)
Tuesday, June 6	5th grade Musical (parents) 7:30pm
Wednesday, June 7	NJ ASK Science Make-ups (4th grade)
Thursday, June 8	Field Day
Friday, June 9	Donuts for Dads (Kindergarten)
Monday, June 12	5th Grade Event (Camp Harmony)
Wednesday, June 14	5th Grade Event rain date
Friday, June 16	Kindergarten Moving Up Ceremony Patriots Game
Monday, June 19	5th Grade End of Year Ceremony 1:20pm dismissal
Tuesday, June 20	1:20pm dismissal
Wednesday, June 21	Last day of school 1:20pm dismissal