

WORDS FROM WOODLAND

Woodland School Newsletter
April 2018

From the Principal, Jeff Heaney

Dear Woodland Families,

Each year the Warren School District presents the Excellence in Education award to outstanding educators. It is my honor to announce this year's Woodland School recipient, Mrs. McGrath. Mrs. McGrath represents everything great about Woodland School and what it means to be an educator. She arrives every single day with energy and passion and is a role model for her students through her hard work, dedication and commitment to being her best. It is obvious that she truly loves her job, loves her students, loves her colleagues and loves Woodland School. Mrs. McGrath understands the importance of educating her students not only academically but socially and emotionally as well. She works to bring new and innovative programs to Woodland School, such as the Expressive Reading Showcase, the Zen Den, and the 3rd grade timeline project, which will trace the history of Woodland School and its road to winning the Blue Ribbon Award! Receiving an award like this is a true honor, particularly at Woodland School where educators consistently demonstrate excellence. The entire Woodland family is extremely proud of Mrs. McGrath. There is no doubt that we are all better people because she is in our lives.



Better than a
thousand days of
diligent study is
one day with a
great teacher.
-Japanese Proverb



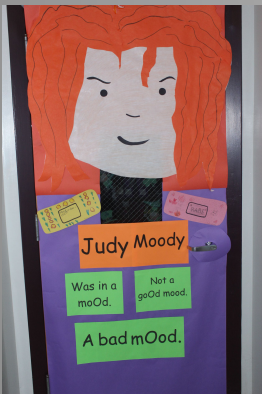
A few reminders:

-Thursday, April 5th and Friday, April 6th will be full days of school.
April 5th will be a Day 6 and April 6th will be a Day 1 of our 6 day cycle.

-PARCC Testing for Grades 3-5 will be from May 14-18
Grade 5 will also take PARCC Science from May 29-30

Please follow me on twitter @PrincWoodland as I post "Great Things
Happening at Woodland" every day.

READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY!!





4th graders, lead by the amazing Mrs. Sutherland, have a wonderful time working together during their musical performance entitled, "Goal!"



Woodland students enjoyed celebrating the 100th day of school in February!



Students in 5th grade had fun working as a team to solve problems during Pi Day!





Thank you to the PTO for bringing the wonderful Insect Assembly to the 2nd graders! The students loved learning about the life cycles and crazy adaptations of the Insect World

Woodland 1st graders Hatch Baby Chicks!

Students cared for the eggs supplied by Quiver Farms for 1 week. They did a great job ensuring that the eggs were turned each day and had the proper temperature and humidity. The excitement was palpable when the chicks finally hatched. A huge thank you to Mrs. Brower and Mrs. Stolfi who cared for the chicks in their homes during the snowstorm and days off from school!



3rd Annual "Woodland's Got Talent"

COMING SOON

Talent Show

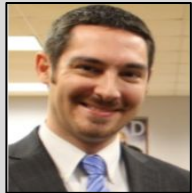
Wednesday, April 25th @ 6:30pm

Acts are open to grades 3-5. It is a wonderful and fun event for all students and families to attend!

4th Annual Woodland Staff and Parent Basketball Game



Thank you for your support! It was great seeing the Woodland family together for a fun night



Superintendent's Corner



The Warren Township Board of Education will hold a public hearing of the 2018-19 budget on April 24, 2018 at 7:00pm in the Warren Middle School library.

Next year's budget supports the continuation of all current programs and services. In addition it:

1. Provides funding for security priorities.
2. Supports the implementation of a new master schedule at Warren Middle School.
3. Dedicates operating expenses as a deposit to capital reserves for future capital needs.
4. Increases the availability of mental health support staff for students.
5. Meets the demands of negotiated salary and benefit increases and increased fixed operational costs.
6. Expands enrichment opportunities for students.
7. Invests in updated classroom learning environments.
8. Reflects new revenues resulting from administrative changes in banking and after care providers.
9. Continues long-term replacement plans for vehicles, technology, and other equipment.

Thanks to the efforts of members of the Board and the school business administrator, I am proud to support a budget that provides for the wonderful education of Warren's children while being responsible to the taxpayer. The tentative budget approved by the Board on March 19, 2018, calls for a local tax levy increase of 1.51%. Detailed information about the budget can be found on the district's website.

Matthew A. Mingle, Ed.D.

Each month students who demonstrate exemplary behavior and character are given the Woodland “All-Star” Award. Students designed their own sports cards which are placed on the “All-Star” board. Students’ names are announced during morning announcements and they are given a special certificate.

February All -Stars

Kindergarten: Karl Krebs, Enzo Firenzuoli, Gino Antonelli, Chelsie Limbo, Alina Shah, Rohan Nicholson, Isabella Sicignano, Cassandra Rei, Charlotte Ohlson, Kieran Melia, Faith Gechtman, Daniel Arpino, Chase Surbrug, Jane Lariviere, Jae Vespucci, Darby Markham, Emily Baechtold, Laura Bubnowski, Christian Fazio, Arnav Jagadeesh, Cate Kardos, Matteo Sicignano, Ryder Markham, Felicity Moccia, Sam Mol, Delaney Surbrug, Lena Urban, Maddie Urban, Asher Valenzuela

1st grade: Audrey Hung, Tamara Ibn Mohammad, Mason Marucci, Emmanuelle (Ellie) Lariviere, Sanjay Joshi, Sofia Mocreia, David Bubnowski, Anthony Patricco, Joseph Fazio, Jamie Jasaitis

2nd grade: Caleb Moccia, Kylie Akesson, Reyhan Shah, Jolie Anderson, Kellan Melia, Sahil Nicholson, Annalise Ramirez, Sean Sultan, Sarah Barroso, Tatianna Devino, Ilyssa Braga, Elyse Provinsal, Timmy Kardos, Desmond Ohlson

3rd grade: Julia Felice, Lilla Bellish, Aydin Bedi, Ty Gechtman, Damien Moccia, Lexie Rowell, Amelia Palka, Jared Barsky, Max Mina, Talon Moy, Alex Pinto, Samantha Scarinzi, Corey Hung

4th grade: Amanda Cashman, Eesha Jagadeesh, Anthony Palumbo, Maria McKenna

5th grade: Karthik Ramasamy, Gianna Elia, Krishnan Kaippilly, Deanna Melamed, Nathan Scala

**INTELLIGENCE PLUS
CHARACTER-
THAT IS THE GOAL
OF TRUE EDUCATION.
-Martin Luther King, Jr.**



Please send in your Box tops. This is an easy way for the PTO to generate money. That money is then used for wonderful assemblies, classroom celebrations and other future events for our students

Date	Event
April 2-4	Spring Break- NO School
Thursday, April 12	Grades 4-5 Marking Period 3 Ends
Friday, April 13	Spirit Day- Wear a Crazy Hat PTO Meeting-9:30am
Friday, April 20	Earth Day Events
Monday, April 23	5th grade Tree planting
Wednesday, April 25	Woodland Talent Show
Thursday, April 26	Take your child to work day
Friday, April 27	Kindergarten Readiness
Week of April 30	Teacher Appreciation Week