

# WOODBIDGE ELEMENTARY WHISTLER

Proud to be a BCPS Passport School!



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## June 2020 Newsletter

### The Principal's Corner

Summer is almost here. This crazy three months of school being closed is almost over and we all made it – and our students are fine. Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, guardians, big brothers and sisters and other family members and friends that filled in for teachers over this period. We know it is not easy. We look forward to seeing students (and you) in person as soon as possible!

It can be frustrating when you want to reach us and can't so please remember, we check the school answering machine and you can also call Ms. Lori Davenport directly at 410-335-8648 (she has a school phone line in her home) or me on my dedicated school line of 443-842-3353. We will also be in the building for most of the next two weeks to answer the school phone 410-887-0857. The building is not open and we can't help you in person, but you can call and we will be happy to answer your questions on the phone.

Unfortunately, I do not have any information regarding what school might look like in the fall. I know that *not knowing* is very stressful as people are beginning to be called back to work. As soon as I know *anything*, I will be in touch so you can make appropriate plans. In the meantime, keep checking the school website as we will post all updated information there. We would all like to get back to normal as soon as possible. Until then, stay healthy and have a great summer!

Fall 2020



### June Calendar

- June 8 – 12 – Teachers Close Up the Bldg
- June 11 -- PreK Family Farewell GMeet @ 1:15pm
  - Bossi Family Farewell GMeet @ 6:30 pm
  - Ryan Family Farewell GMeet @ 7:00 pm
  - Atkinson Family Farewell GMeet @ 7:30 pm
- June 12 -- 1<sup>st</sup> Gr. GMeet Awards Ceremony @ 9 am
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Gr. GMeet Awards Ceremony @ 2:00 pm
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Gr. GMeet Awards Ceremony @ 1:00 pm
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Gr. GMeet Awards Ceremony @ 12:00pm
- June 15 -- 5<sup>th</sup> Gr. GMeet Awards Ceremony @ 1:00 pm
  - PreK – 4 gr. Personal Item Pick-up 9am-2pm
- June 16 -- 5<sup>th</sup> Gr. Personal Item Pick-up @ 9am – 11am
  - Raindate for All Grades Pickup 9 am-2 pm
- June 17 -- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Farewell Video Posted @ 12:00 pm
- June 18 -- ½ day; GMeets end at 12:00
- June 19 -- Last Day of School; GMeets end at 12:00

## Cancellations



**No Special Area  
Mon & Tues.  
June 8 & 9**

Teachers will be cancelling Google Meet sessions throughout next week as they return to the building to pack up student items and close down their classrooms for the summer. For ease of scheduling, we have cancelled ALL Special Area for Monday and Tuesday. Your child's teacher will post what days they are cancelling and work with you individually regarding the days they will be in the building and not holding class sessions. Some teachers are also working to return student items on Monday and Tuesday, June 15 and 16, but they will contact students directly about cancellations also.

Website: <https://woodbridges.bcps.org>

# Summer Learning

## \*\*For All Students\*\*

BCPS has purchased a summer learning virtual program FOR ALL STUDENTS this year! The program will provide instruction at your child's individual level. This is a fantastic opportunity to help your child catch up to, stay on or advance beyond grade level before we return in the fall. Our school is never able to offer a summer learning program for students so we are excited about this county-wide opportunity. We do not have final details yet, but we will send them out when we do. In the meantime, don't put that device away on June 19<sup>th</sup> after your final Google Meet. Use it for summer learning 😊



## CONGRATULATIONS

### '20-'22 PTA OFFICERS

President: Aisha Khan  
 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Arnold Beck  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Heidi Menjivar  
 Secretary: Cindy Woods  
 Treasurer: Don Garmer

## Yearbooks Delayed

Unfortunately, COVID-19 impacted the publisher of our Yearbooks and their arrival will not be in time to return with student belongings on June 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. When Yearbooks do arrive, you will be contacted and have the option to pick them up when the building is open or we will hold onto them until the fall. We apologize for this delay.

## Congratulations to our June Students of the Month

Ariella Moreira  
 Hashir Chano  
 Jillien Gomes  
 Tatiana Amaya-Trinidad  
 Lyric Truesdale  
 Abdullah Ahmed  
 Steyci Martinez Carranza

Ekam Singh  
 Samantha Rodriguez  
 Zabir Iqbal  
 Heshmita Maddela  
 Shada Algahdari  
 Victor Ramirez-Zamora  
 Ethan Jones

Skylar Sands  
 Brian Johnson  
 Taha Siddiquee  
 Daniel Gavriluk  
 Noel Diblasio  
 Terah Von Hendricks

These students have been selected by their homeroom teachers as displaying the traits of our School Virtues Education program. Please help us congratulate them for demonstrating the May character trait of Diligence

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Farewell



It is incredibly disappointing not to be able to hold an in-person farewell ceremony for our students and families to end their Woodbridge school career. However, we are doing everything possible to still make it a special memory. Students will receive 2020 medals engraved with *Woodbridge Elementary* on the back as well as gold embossed promotion certificates when they come to pick up their items. The PTA is purchasing T-shirts with all student names on the back as well. All of these items will be distributed with student items on Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>. Teachers are working on a video to share so please be sure to submit pictures that can be included. We will have student memory speeches on the video as well. This class of students has done an amazing job throughout their time at Woodbridge, but we wish them well as they move to middle school. If permitted, the PTA would like to hold a *Summer Send-off* for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade class as well. We will be in touch if that is



allowed to happen. Students and families will be invited to watch the video as a class at 12 pm on Wed., June 17<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions about 5<sup>th</sup> grade logistics, please ask the teacher.

## Student Personal Item Pick-Up Mon., June 15<sup>th</sup>

9 am – 2 pm

For all Prek – 4<sup>th</sup> Gr. Students



Teachers are closing up the building for the summer the week of June 8 – 12<sup>th</sup> and will pack student items left in desks or hanging on hooks for return to parents on Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>. **YOU WILL NOT HAVE TO EXIT YOUR CAR.** Follow the signs and staff direction into the parking lot. The process will look similar to the car rider dismissal line. You will give your students' name and a staff member will put the bag in your trunk. Students not returning to Woodbridge in the fall should return their devices and library books at this time. Please have those items in a bag already in the trunk when you pull up. If you have a 5<sup>th</sup> grade student, pick up ALL your children's items on June 16<sup>th</sup>.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Gr. Student Item Pick-Up

Tues., June 16<sup>th</sup>

9 am – 11 am

Fifth grade students should return:

1. Library Books
2. Student Safety Belts
3. Borrowed school Instruments

Fifth grade students transitioning to their identified BCPS Middle School DO NOT need to return devices at this time. Use them for the summer school enrichment opportunity. If you have left or we leave BCPS, return your device now.

# Renew Your Shared Domicile Registration



Do you live with a family member or share a home with another family? If you do not have a lease in your own name because you live with someone else

that is considered “sharing a domicile.” Anyone registered under the shared domicile category **MUST RENEW** that registration every year. If you meet the renewal deadline, it is a fairly simple process. Just send in 3 pieces of mail dated in the last 60 days, the renewal form (which we will mail you) and your photo ID. If you do not meet that deadline, the child is withdrawn and you need to complete the entire registration process all over again. Please gather your documents now to complete your shared domicile renewal.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Residency Verification



Students transitioning to the next school level are required by BCPS policy to verify their residency before attending classes at their new middle or high school. Similar to renewing shared domiciles, if you meet the deadline, less work is required. You will need to updated proof of ownership of your home or provide an updated lease, along with mail and your photo ID. Ms. Jen is in charge of this process and it will also be done electronically this year. If you do not meet the deadline, your child is withdrawn and you will need to complete the registration process from the beginning.



BCPS has announced that registrations for the 20-21 school year will be completed digitally, using an on-line portal system. You will need to download your documents to the website, then an email will be sent to Ms. Jen who will process them. If you are missing anything, she will contact you. For parents who had appointments before school closed, Ms. Jen will begin contacting you about the registration process. If you had a PreK appointment, you will not lose your spot as long as you follow-up with submitting the registration paperwork once Ms. Jen calls you. This process will begin the week of June 8<sup>th</sup>.

## Awards Ceremonies

Another casualty of our shortened and remote learning year are our ever popular end of year awards ceremonies. However, awards are still coming! Due to the changed grading policies, we cannot offer students

Some of the Routine awards, But We can still Celebrate their Efforts. If your Child has earned An award, the



Teacher will invite you to the awards ceremony. The day and times are posted on the front page of this newsletter. In order to be able to see all participants, awards ceremonies this year have been limited to students earning awards. We hope you can join us to celebrate your child’s success.