

WOODBIDGE ELEMENTARY WHISTLER

Proud to be a BCPS Passport School!

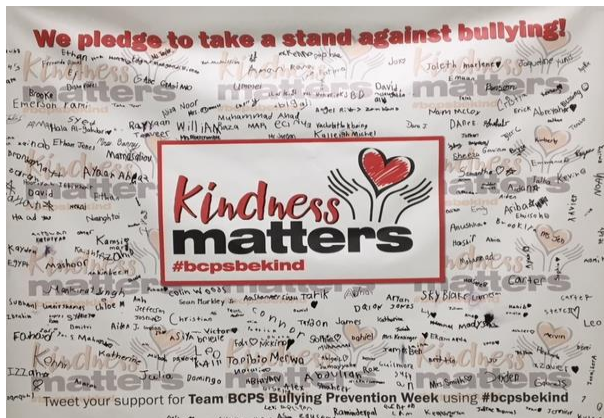


Lori Phelps
Principal

Kim Fields
Assistant Principal

November 2019 Newsletter

The Principal's Corner



Did your child sign the anti-bullying pledge above? This poster now hangs in our main hallway as a reminder that Kindness DOES matter and is a character trait our staff reinforces every day. All BCPS schools spent the month of October talking about the importance of respecting each other and celebrating and understanding each other's differences in both appearance and belief. School Counselor, Colleen Boyer, visited classrooms to talk about kindness and give strategies for how to deal with bullying behavior. All bad behavior is not bullying, but children can use these strategies to discourage any behavior directed towards them that makes them uncomfortable. We appreciate your support of these efforts by talking to your child(ren) about the importance of simply being nice to their classmates.

November Calendar

- Nov. 5 -- Identikit Photos
- 1st Grade Field Trip to the Aquarium
- Nov. 8 -- Early Dismissal @ 12:10 pm; End 1st Qtr
- Nov. 11 -- PTA Chocolate Sale Ends
- SW Advisory Mtg @ Woodmoor @ 7 pm
- Nov. 18 -- American Education Week begins
- PTA Donuts for Dads @ 7:45 am
- 4th Gr. Field Trip to Martin State Airport
- Nov. 20 -- Visitation Day; Have Lunch with Your Child
- Nov. 21 -- Grandparents "Special" Day
- Nov. 22 -- No school for students; Conference Day
- Nov. 25 -- No School for Pre-Kindergarten
- Nov. 27 -- 2nd Gr. Field Trip to Science Center
- 3rd Gr. Field Trip to Mus. Of Industry
- Nov. 28-29 -- School Closed

Upcoming Dates

- Dec. 4 -- Make-up Picture Day
- Dec. 11 -- Winter Concert @ 7:00 pm
- Dec. 13 -- PTA Winter Dance @ 6:00 pm
- Dec. 23 -- Winter Break Begins!

School Conference Day Fri., Nov. 22nd

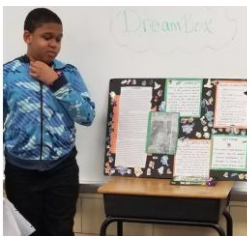


Meeting with your child's teacher is critical to his or her school success. In fact, it is so important, Baltimore County Public Schools closes school for a day every year

to allow parents to meet with teachers uninterrupted in order to discuss their child's progress. Please watch for information coming home soon from your child's teacher regarding scheduling a conference. If none of the available times work, please ask the teacher to make other arrangements and the teacher will do so.



School Book Reviews



All grades 1-5 are doing monthly book review projects. The projects develop summarization and speaking and presentation skills. Students are doing a phenomenal job! We have seen a birdhouse made from cardboard and a styrofoam cake as well as multimedia and three-panel presentations. What is your child reading?

Run Raiser A New Record - \$6,048!!



Congratulations to Emily B., the school's high fundraiser along with Ms. Barry's class who beat out Ms. Bowser's class in a run-off for the class raising the most money. This money will be used for school equipment and supplies. We very much appreciate everyone's contribution!! Everyone participated in the mile run, high individual fundraisers turned a staff member into a mummy and Ms. Barry's class soaked teachers in an epic water balloon battle.



Congratulations to our October Students of the Month

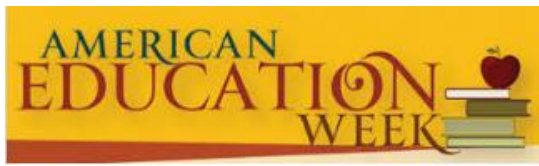
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McKenna B-T.
Da'shawn W.
Muhammad I.
Dawoud I.
Steyci M-C.

DaMauri B.
Zyion T.
Diego M-R.
Anh T.
Emyry S.
Zaina H.
Taha T.

Anam G.
Kaylee M.
Braylon N.
Kobe R.
Jathan B.
Mohammad S.

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 October character trait of Respect and check out our Student of the Month bulletin board in the lobby.

Join Us During American Education Week



Parents are always welcome to visit according to the school's visitation policy, but during American Education Week, we throw the doors open and encourage you to come as often as you like and stay as long as you like! We plan special events to welcome guests and hope you can take advantage of one of them. New THIS year, is a plan for grandparents! Watch for a flyer to come home soon with more info.

Mon., Nov. 18 – PTA Donuts for Dads
 Wed., Nov. 20 – Lunch with your child
 Thurs., Nov. 21 – Grandparent's "Special" Day (grandparents attend their grandchild's Art, Library, Music or Gym class with them)



Mon., Nov. 18
7:45 – 8:25 am

Perhaps 2nd only to Trunk or Treat, this is another very popular PTA sponsored activity. Please mark your calendar to bring your child to school and help us kick off American Education week in style! Kids love when Dad, Grandpa, Uncle or any other male role model in their life brings them to this short and sweet event. Please be sure to park on the street when visiting for this event.



Next Meeting
Mon., Jan. 13
6:30 pm



Please support the PTA and help finance their activities (like Trunk or Treat and Donuts for Dads) by selling a box of chocolate. Call or send a note to Mr. Garmer to get your box today!

Save the Dates

Winter Concert
Dec. 11 @ 7 pm

- Band
- Orchestra
- Chorus
- Dance



Winter Dance
Dec. 13 @ 6 pm
(for families)





Congratulations to our 2019-20 Members:

Emily B.	Aye Rie L.
Jathan B.	Bryce P.
Cadence C.	Michael P.
Amaan C.	Mickey P.
Talha H.	Ajmain R.
Aiza K.	Rayan S.

Lisa Mack, the Board of Education member who represents our school led students in the candlelight ceremony induction pledge and students and their families enjoyed dinner and dessert to celebrate.



PTA TRUNK OR TREAT – A HUGE HIT

Thank you to the PTA for hosting the annual Trunk or Treat Halloween Party. As always, Mr. Garmer turned the gym into a Halloween showcase and students were able to play games before and after the costume contest. New this year was a magic show and it was standing room only!



Woodbridge Vision

Woodbridge Elementary School will be among the highest performing schools in the state of Maryland, prepare students for college and career success, inspire students to become life-long learners and reinforce strong foundational skills. We value:

- Academic achievement delivered in a warm, welcoming and safe environment that prepares students to be globally competitive;
- Instruction that results in responsible students who will develop into productive community members;
- Partnerships with students, families, staff and community, and invite them to participate in creating a positive educational experience;
- Respectful interactions that result in a collaborative environment where individual differences are celebrated and the needs of all students are met.

