

Nov. 7, 2018

B Day

For Students (read in the morning over our PA system)



It's Spirit Week:

Wacky Wednesday

Throwback Thursday

Colorful/Color Wars Friday

Picture retake day is this Friday, Nov. 9th. Students wishing to have a new picture taken need to bring their original picture packet to the photographer. Students who missed the original picture day can pick up a picture packet in the main office.

In reading news...

Lunchtime book clubs meet today in the library! During all three lunches, everyone is welcome to join Jen Lovchik from the Bellingham Public Libraries in our library. Lunchtime book clubs are held on the first Wednesday of every month. Bring your food straight to the library – it's one of the few times we break the "no food in the library" rule – as long as you clean up after yourself. If you need a skip the line pass because you're getting hot lunch, stop into the library for one before lunch. Hope to see you!

Today during lunches the library will only be open for book club attendees and quiet readers who may or may not choose to join in.

For Parents:

The PTSA opened the Spirit Wear store again. It will close on November 18th so that orders will be back before winter break.

<https://whatcommspta.wordpress.com/wildcat-wear/>

We are in need of a coach for intramural co-ed basketball for 6th graders! Intramural basketball runs Monday-Friday from 8-9 am beginning November 5 and ending January 15. This is a paid position. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Tina Allsop at tina.allsop@bellingshamschools.org or 360-961-8546. We won't be able to offer intramurals if we don't have a coach. Thank you!

When students need to leave school early...

SEND A SIGNED NOTE with them the day they need to leave early. Students take the note to the attendance window first thing in the morning in exchange for a "permission to leave" slip. This slip is shown to the teacher and your student leaves the premises at your specified time to meet you outside at your prearranged location. You do not need to come in.

Or EMAIL: If you send an email to Linda.Erickson@bellingshamschools.org to release your student, your student must pick up their pass to leave from the attendance window. This eliminates the need to interrupt classes in search of a student.

Or CALL: If you call to arrange a pick up, you will need to come to the attendance window and sign out your student.

Bus Passes:

****No bus passes will be given for the first 30 days of school.****

Requests for bus passes must be submitted in the morning. Any requests after school will be denied.

Students must bring a signed note from parent/guardian to the attendance window before school starts. Mrs. Erickson will write out a bus pass which can be picked up later in the day.

Please remember to not drive in front of the school in the morning. Because there are many students walking back and forth across the road, the road is closed to all traffic except school buses and emergency vehicles.

Do you think you might volunteer at WMS this year? Volunteers need to register at a least one week prior to service and this year there is a new online registration system (No more paper packets!). Go to the Bellingham School District website/Jobs to register or click on this link:

<https://bellingshoolsvolunteers.hrplus.net/>

Students are expected to turn their cell phones off and not use them during the school day.

Please call the office if you need to contact your student. We will have your student return your call as soon as possible. Phones will be confiscated if a student is seen using it during school hours. A parent or guardian will then need to come in and sign for the phone. Thank you for your cooperation.

[Be sure to check out our newsletter on the WMS Website for more information!](#)