

Wildcat

(Delivered Monthly)



Weekly

Principal's Corner

Wow! It's hard to believe it's already October and we are halfway through the 1st quarter. If you haven't already, this is a good time to look at your child's grade book in SchoolMax Family Portal and setting up a procedure at home to review grades and assignments once a week. A link to SchoolMax resource page is on page 2 of our newsletter.

I encourage all parents to read Ms. Sichelman's *Math Minute* on page 2. Increased math learning is a goal for the school system and specifically for Woodmore. Having a strong grasp of basic math facts is essential to a student's academic growth. Every students, from kindergarten on up, can work on their facts, starting with knowing our numbers and moving all the way to division facts.

October is a busy month at Woodmore and I know it's a busy time for our families. Please make sure to maintain a routine at home, ensure your child is getting enough sleep, and make daily school attendance and absolute priority!

As a child I have always loved to draw and play video games, I was a huge fan of Disney animation and other forms of art. When I started middle school I became interested in comic books and Manga graphic novels. So I started creating my own characters. When I started Suitland High School I took a graphic arts class that led me to start using computers to enhance my creativity. When I graduated high school I went to the Art Institute to learn more about animation and game design, I earned a Bachelor degree in Media Arts and Animation Fine Arts Degree. I have Illustrated 2 childrens books. My first one was Team Goober and his Eco Friends and my most recent one is called Is She Always Going to Love Me. Right Now I'm teaching elementary school art at Woodmore E.S

Important Dates

October 5 - Yom Kippur (School Closed)

October 10 - Parent Conferences (School Closed for Students)

October 11 - Read-A-Thon Kick Off

October 28 - Fall Pictures (In-Uniform)

Grade Level News

Pre-K

Kindergarten

1st Grade

2nd Grade

3rd Grade


4th Grade

5th Grade

*Staff Highlight -
Ernest Murray
(Art Teacher)*



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Morning Math with Mrs. Sichelman in the Library from 9:30-10:30 on October 14th. The topic is how to help your child with math at home.

[How to Support Your Child's Teacher](#)
(Click her for a great article)

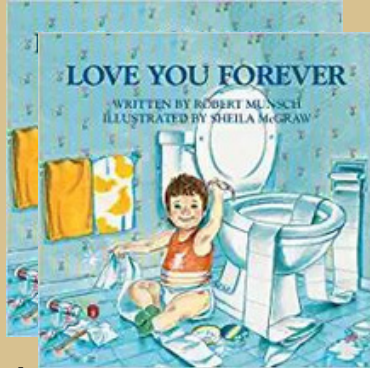
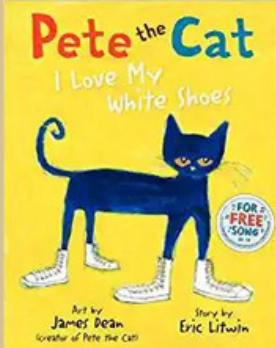
Wildcat Book Nook

FROM MYKIA MURPHY (ACTING LIBRAIAN)

The Pete the Cat Series by Eric Litwin

I love the way Pete is so groovy! The Pete the Cat series starts with a story about Pete's new white shoes.

Younger readers love the flow of the story's text and they learn a lesson about not letting things get in the way of having a great day. The series continues with other stories with a similar message. It's all good!!!



Love you Forever by Robert Munsch

Also, other favorite book of mine is *Love You Forever*. It's about about a mother taking care of her son and caring for him no matter what age and what he does. At night the mother would creep into her son room and rock him back and forth and sings this song' " I love you forever, I like you for always as long I'm living my baby you will. at the end of the story he treats her the same way she treated him when he was growing and started the same routine with his child.

Math Minute

A Math Facts Memorization Strategy that works

by Angela Sichelman
(Math Instructional Lead Teacher)

In my many years of teaching I have learned that the most effective way to assist children in fact memorization is to isolate one fact at a time. Now this may feel like it would be a long drawn out process, but it really is effective. Our goal is for these facts to be stored in long term memory so "cramming for the test" or trying to memorize many facts at once will result in the facts being stored in short term memory and will need to be "memorized" again. When we ask our children to focus on one fact a day and repeat that fact VERY often throughout the day, it will be stored in long term memory. This will be evident when your child can recall that fact the next day. If your child does not recall the fact the next day, it will be the "fact of the day" again. It may take up to a month or so to memorize them all and that is okay!

This said, I am lhappy to announce Lance T. and Gage T as our first Math Whiz Kids!

[PTO Meeting \(Virtual\)](#)

[October 12th, 2022 @ 6pm](#)

Come join us!