

Wildcat

(Delivered Monthly)



Weekly

Principal's Corner

Happy New Year Woodmore!!

We ended 2022 on a high note with a very successful career day. A HUGE thank you to all of our parents and friends that presented to our students. Also, a big thank you to Ms. Dobson and Ms. Lucas for organizing the event.

The New Year is a great time to talk about and set some goals with your students. As a school we have goals involving Math Benchmark Scores, Reading iReady Scores, and Attendance. We will be helping students set goals in those areas as well.

With January comes winter weather. We will do our best to post updates on Dojo, but check the PGCPs website for the most up-to-date information.

Lets have a great start to the new year!

Take care,
Andrew Zanghi

Important Dates

January 11 - PTO Meeting

January 16 - No School (MLK Jr. Day)

January 17 - Band/Orchestra Concert

January 24 - Last Day of Q2

January 25 - Two Hour Early Dismissal

Grade Level News

Pre-K

Kindergarten

1st Grade

2nd Grade

3rd Grade

4th Grade

5th Grade

Hello Woodmore Community

My name is Cheryl Busarow and I Am the cafeteria manager here at Woodmore Elementary. I have been in food service for PGCPs for 20 years What I love about my job is working with my staff here at Woodmore, But most of I love serving the students. Seeing the smiles on all their faces and when some of the students come in to let me know how much they enjoyed lunch.

I was born and raised in Upstate New York. I moved to Maryland in 1983. And I now reside in Grasonville Maryland (on the Eastern shore) . I have two grown children and four grandchildren. Both of my children graduated from Prince George's County Schools. In my free time, I enjoy spending time with family and friends. Especially my grandkids. I also enjoy the outdoors being on the water. I love to travel, shop, read, take walks, day trips, and go to flea markets. I am looking forward to June of 2024 when I hope if all goes well I will be hanging up my apron and starting to enjoy retirement. That is my goal. For now, I will continue to serve the students here at Woodmore Elementary and PGCPs



**What's
NEW!!**



The school system is no longer providing us with bottled water. In the coming days/weeks we expect the water fountains to be turned back on (they've been tested and we are awaiting the results). Students are encouraged to bring reusable water bottle with their name on it.

We were so impressed with the way a third grader advocated, we decided we should make a change at the school level. Students will be able to dress down on their birthdays from now on. We will makeup the following months...

August - Jan 6th
September - Jan 13th
October - Jan 20th
November - Jan 27th
December - Feb 3rd
June (late) - June 5th
July - June 6th
August - June 7th



Student Attendance

We've talked about attendance a lot this year and for good reason. Attendance has been shown to be key to student success in elementary school and in middle and high school. Please keep in mind:

- Family travel is not an excused absence
- A doctor's note is required if a student is sick 3 or more days
- Students cannot "make-up" work for unexcused absences
- The state of Maryland considers a student Chronically Absent if the student has been enrolled in a school for at least ten (10) days and is absent 10% or more of the school days
- Students are tardy if they arrive at school after 9:15am.

[PGCPS ATTENDANCE POLICY](#)

December Math Whiz Kids

- 2nd Grade: Ava B, William P, Aka A
- 3rd Grade: Thomas T, Yasir M
- 4th Grade: Aiden E, Charis E, Zariah J, Quinn M, Jocelyn S, Caleb A, Valentina W, Chemuta M, Ivan A, Aderike A
- 5th Grade: Axel L, Gianna W, Shane D, David A

WILDCATS OF THE MONTH (DECEMBER)

- Haleem Said
Bella Njang
Brandon Davies
Micah Middleton
Gage Thomas
Nkosi Butler
Paris Battee
Uriah Holmes
Giana Amanze
Divyana Verma
Haleem Said
Nkem Ojibe
Maxwell Mills
Jason Mornay

PGCPS Tutoring
Opportunities

From the Health Room

Student Health Room Pickup

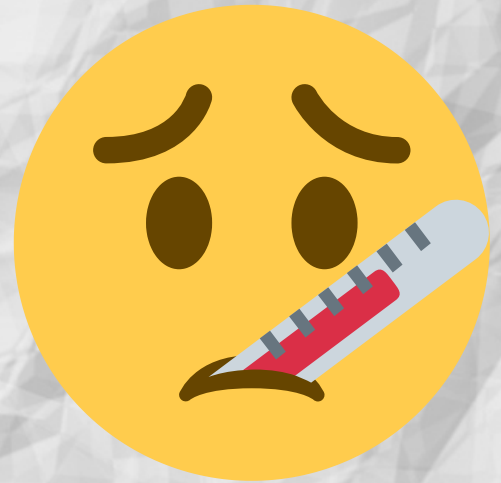
Parents/guardians please be informed that it is important that you provide the school with your current contact information. This information should include your address and up to date phone numbers. According to Prince George's County Public Schools protocol an emergency contact person and their phone number should be provided to the school registrar, giving permission for your child to be released to that person in your absence.

If the nurse contacts you to pick up your child due to illness or injury, it is your responsibility to do so immediately or to utilize your emergency contact person. Ill and injured students can not remain in the Health Room for an extended period. Failure to pick up your child in a timely manner could result in a 911 call (emergency or non emergency) or a child social service call.

Please be advised that most aftercare programs will not accept an ill or injured child. It is the parents responsibility to clarify their policy concerning this issue and notify the school.

We will continue to maintain your child's health while keeping them safe. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Cornelia Porte-Hall, School Nurse
Andrew Zanghi, Principal



Instrumental Music Department

Dear Parents/Guardians of Instrumental Music Students,

I am happy to announce that we will be having our Winter Concerts for our Band & Orchestra this year, on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, in the Woodmore ES cafeteria.

There will be two concerts that evening, one for Band (woodwinds, brass & percussion) and one for Orchestra (strings). "Call times" (when performers should arrive) for the concert will be 15min before the concert start times.

The Band Concert will start at 6:00 (5:45 Call Time)

The Orchestra Concert will Start at 6:45 (6:30 Call Time)

A parent or responsible adult must be in the school with the student during the whole concert.

Students should bring their instrument and music book, and should dress in nice looking clothes. There is no specific uniform, but we want everyone to look reasonably formal. If you do not have formal clothing, the student's regular school uniform will be fine, but please no casual clothes.

If you have a conflict with the concert, or if you have any questions, please email me (Patrick2.FitzGerald@pgcps.org) as soon as possible. I look forward to seeing everyone on January 17 th !

-Patrick FitzGerald
Instrumental Music Teacher
Woodmore Elementary School

