

# Wilson Hill Update

## *Home of the White Tigers*

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### Reminders:

- Complete your Public School Works
- SLO and OTES meetings are scheduled.
- September 18th @ 2:15 Fire Drill

**September 20, 2015**

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### **Word of the Month for September Respect!!**

#### Definition of respect for kids:

"What is respect" is a big concept to grasp. Try this definition of respect for kids, written in terms children can understand, and with examples of what is respect for others and what is respect for self.

A definition of respect includes 1) how you feel about someone and 2) how you treat him/her.

#### Respect is how you feel about someone

Having respect for someone means you think good things about who a person is or how he/she acts. You can have respect for others, and you can have respect for yourself.

#### Respect is how you treat someone

Showing respect to someone means you act in a way that shows you care about their feelings and well-being. Showing respect for others include things like not calling people mean names, treating people with courtesy, caring enough about yourself that you don't do things you know can hurt you.

#### Examples of what respect is:

- You admire (respect) a historical figure who stood up for what she believed in, even when it was hard.
- You are quiet in a library to show that you care about (respect) others' need to read without interruption.
- You follow your parents' rules to show them you care (respect) how they feel about the situation.
- You don't call people names because you care about (respect) their feelings.
- You don't hit or otherwise hurt people because you care about (respect) their well-being.
- You dress, speak, and act in a way that shows you care about what you know is right and safe, because you care about (respect) yourself and your well-being.
- You don't interfere with other people's right to look, think, or act differently than you because you care about (respect) their feelings and well-being.

## So what is respect?

- Respect is thinking and acting in a positive way about yourself or others.
- Respect is thinking and acting in a way that shows others you care about their feelings and their well-being.

## **Wilson Hill Spirit Wear Sale ends this Friday, September 25th**

Only 5 days left!!!

Mrs. Ludwig and Mrs. Zody are handle the Wilson Hill Spirit Wear sale for the 2015 -16 school year. The sale was kicked off at our Back to School Party.

We have extra copies if anyone needs more. The order forms will be due by the end of the sale on 9/25.

If anyone has questions they can contact either Mrs. Ludwig [andreakludwig@yahoo.com](mailto:andreakludwig@yahoo.com) or Mrs. Zody [szody@wowway.com](mailto:szody@wowway.com)

Wilson Hill will be having a "White Tiger Spirit Wear Day" in mid/late October! Be sure to get your order in by Friday, September 25th!

## **Safety Drills and Fire Drills**

On Friday we practiced a Fire Drill at 2:15 pm. The Fire Drill went very well. All of the students exited the building in under 2 minutes!

## **Warrior Dash - October 2nd - BE SURE TO REGISTER!**

[This is a fun event for all students, families and staff. It takes place at Granby Elementary School. Start training :\)](#)

<https://www.facebook.com/WorthingtonWellnessWarriors/videos/vb.397311827028577/397834090309684/?type=2&theater>

## **Information Regarding Quarters to Trimesters**

This communication is to update you on an important change that Worthington has made to the school calendar and the timeline for reporting student progress this year.

After a good deal of research and dialogue with our teaching staff, and as part of our continued effort to grow in our best practices for reporting student progress, the calendar for all Worthington Elementary Schools has shifted from a quarter/semester-based calendar to a "Trimester" calendar.

What this change means to you is:

- Rather than breaking the school year into 4 nine-week grading/marketing periods, elementary calendars will be organized around **3 twelve-week periods**.
- Student progress reports, formerly known as "grade" or "report" cards, will be issued in 12-week intervals on November 24, March 7 and May 30.
- The longer marking period allows for more complete assessments of student learning as aligned to State Curriculum Standards.

Kindergarten through Sixth Grade parents can expect a formal progress report at each of the three trimester periods in all subject areas. Related Arts teachers (art, music and physical education) will report on student progress at the conclusion of the FIRST and THIRD trimesters, only.

Along with Parent-Teacher Conferences and other informal classroom methods of reporting student growth and progress, we continue to see our formal progress report as another tool to keep you informed about your student's progress and success in school, as well as to encourage two-way communication between home and school.

Should you have any questions about progress reporting, please contact your child's teacher, or myself.

### **Upcoming Events**

Thursday, September 24-

2:30 pm - Mumkin Pick up (front lawn)

Monday, September 28 -

7:30 pm - Board of Ed Meeting (WEC)

Wednesday, September 30 - Middle of First Trimester

Thursday, October 1 -

12:00 pm - ½ Day Kindergartner Field Trip to the Fire Station

Friday, October 2

8:00 am - Picture Re-takes (½ day Kindergarten room)