

White River School



Trimester I Report Cards Sent Home Today!

December 2, 2016

Please check your child's backpack and folder for her/his first trimester report card. This report card should help you understand how your child is progressing in school when measured against the Common Core State Standards for her/his grade level. You may notice some blank areas. This indicates that the content has not been formally taught and assessed so far this year. By the end of the year, each section will have a grade.

We had very good attendance at parent teacher conferences last month and if you attended, I'm sure the teacher gave you a very good sense of how your child is doing academically, socially and with work effort. As you'll see, the report cards go into great detail on specific learning standards. Please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher if you have any questions about the report card.

Winter Concert - Thursday, December 8th

It's that wonderful time of the year when our young musicians will demonstrate their talent and skills when they perform at our annual winter concert. This year's theme is about holiday lights and both the 5th grade band and our entire student body have been practicing some really fun songs for the show. If you're new to WRS, you're in for quite a treat! Mrs. Wadleigh, choral teacher and Mrs. Conerty, band teacher have requested the following:

The White River School Concert is on **Thursday, December 8th at 6:30!**

Doors open at 6:15.

Grades K-4 report to the **cafeteria**.

Grade 5 reports to their **classrooms**.

Band reports to the **music room at 6:10**.

NO special clothes/colors required.

Please make every effort for your student to attend. Chorus and band are like a team; we need all members to be successful. Thank you for your support!

Parking for the concert:

I acknowledge that parking is tricky due to the large number of family members that attend. Please try to carpool with family members if it at all possible. You should try the municipal lot between the Citizens' Bank and the school campus (not the co-op parking lot). Some people have parked in the lot at the Hartford Town Hall. Our wonderful neighbors at BFCP across the street have stated that you can use their lot **on the left or right side only and they ask you to park "nose in"**. **Please do not block the entrance to their driveway.** Please do not park at Butler's Bus Company. Busses are coming and going throughout the evening so if it looks like an empty spot, means that a bus is out and will be returning and they need all spots for their busses. **Please do not park in the bus loop! We must keep this clear so that emergency services can access the building in an emergency.**

Thanksgiving Feast - Another Incredible Year!

On November 22nd we came together as a school family and enjoyed a delicious home cooked turkey dinner that was special because every person that attended contributed to the meal. Each class brought in donations to contribute to the meal, and/or helped prepare the food. We turned our gym into a dining hall and we sat together "family style". The adults at each table served our students and we enjoyed wonderful conversation. It was very special to have so many adult volunteers that day, without whom this event wouldn't be possible! Our fifth graders will be writing personal notes of thanks to the parent volunteers that helped us but I also want you to know how grateful we are! Our long time supporters, Brendan and Sara Blood of Blood's Catering not only roasted and carved the turkey and made gravy; they also donated the use of 30 table and 300 chairs. I was delighted that Brendan joined us this year, he told me that he thoroughly enjoyed his time at the pre-k table! Brendan and Sara Blood have also donated the use of 300 chairs for our winter concert!



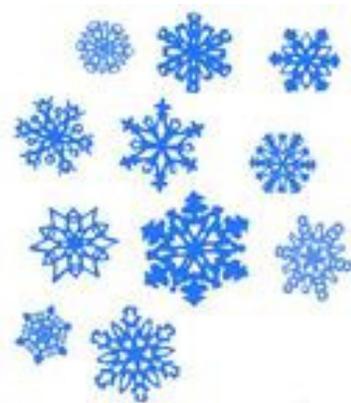
WRS Craft Show - sponsored by our PTA

The show is tomorrow:

Saturday, December 3rd from 9:00-2:00

The craft show is becoming a tradition at WRS! Our wonderful PTA board members have put many, many hours into planning this event and **we need your support!** We have almost 30 vendors coming which is more than we've had in the past. Santa has indicated that he's going to be here too! (Bring your camera!)

We need more help with baked goods for the bake sale! Please try to bake something tonight and drop it off for the bake sale tomorrow. We'll be accepting baked goods up until noon!



Calendar:

Dec. 3rd - PTA Craft Fair 9-AM -2PM
Dec. 8th - Winter Concert at 6:30
Dec. 23rd - Jan. 2nd Holiday Recess