

Mission Statement: Watson Williams will provide a quality education for a diverse student population in a peaceful and positive learning environment. Students will continue to use their reasoning, literacy, mathematical and technical skills to become life-long learners and productive members of society.

Vision Statement: Watson Williams' vision is for students to obtain the knowledge, skills and character necessary to become life-long learners and college and career ready one leap at a time.



WATSON WILLIAMS NOVEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER



Parents/Guardians:

Your voice is very important to us and we appreciate your responses to our parent survey. 93% indicated that you are familiar with the schools mission and vision, 98% indicated that they enjoy the schools activities and find them helpful, 78% indicated that you use the schools web-site, and 87% indicated that you understand how your child's grades are used to address specific learning needs. To better advise you of the schools mission, activities and your child's progress we will have our parent teacher conferences on Thursday, November 16th. Interpreters will be available for our ENL parents to address any questions or concerns. All teachers will advise the parents of their scheduled meeting time, so please check your child's folders daily for information which will be coming home soon.

Please be reminded that student dismissal is at 3:05 p.m. Dismissal time is very busy and we work hard to secure the safety of all students and to make certain all students are dismissed appropriately. As part of the dismissal procedure, it is important that a written note is provided to the teacher if you are requesting that your child be dismissed early. All teachers are instructing until the end of the day, so if it is not an emergency and a note has not been provided in advance, please DO NOT come to the office and request for your child to leave early. For your child's safety, parents/guardians or escorts must wait OUTSIDE at their child's designated door for dismissal at 3:05 p.m. Also, please let your child know the arrangements for after school before they leave in the morning so that there is minimal interruption to the office and teacher's classroom.

Additionally, the Extended Learning Time program will be starting this month and the students will be staying on different days until 4:00PM. The teachers have identified the student groupings and will be sending home parent permission letters and schedules for your child's attendance. Please support your child's opportunity to receive additional instructional time to become better learners, if requested. Your continuous assistance and support is greatly appreciated. Thank you and Happy Thanksgiving to All!

FALL BACK ONE HOUR NOVEMBER 5th - Daylight Saving Time ends

SCHOOL PICTURES

School pictures will be taken on **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd**. Order forms and money must accompany the children on this day. Re-take day is scheduled for **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1st**. Please note that **CLASS PICTURES** will not be distributed until after the retake day has been completed. To ensure all students are photographed, class pictures will be delivered no later than the end of February 2018.

WEDNESDAY FUNDRAISER - Fruit Lollipops - Every Wednesday school is in session in November, lollipops will be sold for 50 cents.



FRIDAY FUNDRAISER - Popcorn -



Every Friday school is in session in

November, popcorn will be sold for 50 cents. If you are able to assist with helping with popcorn, please contact your child's teacher.

WATSON WILLIAMS KETTLE CORN FUNDRAISER

Please help and support our school fundraiser! We are selling extra large bags of kettle corn for \$8/bag. There are 6 different flavors you can choose from (original, caramel, cheddar, green apple, garlic parmesan and cajun). Money and order forms are due on November 10th. Popcorn will be delivered to school before Thanksgiving recess. The class that sells the most bags of popcorn will win a popcorn party donated by Squeezers Lemonade and Kettle Corn.

NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS - ELECTION DAY - Tuesday, November 7th - Superintendent's Conference Day - Classes will resume on Wednesday, November 8th.

VETERANS DAY - NO SCHOOL - 11/10/2017

School will not be in session on Friday, November 10, 2017. Classes will resume on Monday, November 13, 2017.

WATSON WILLIAMS HALF DAY- PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

School will be dismissed at 12:05 p.m. on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2017. Please make the necessary arrangements to have your child(ren) picked up on time.



SDM MEETING

It is still not too late to join Watson Williams' Shared Decision Making Team! The meeting date is Friday, November 17, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. Please join us and help us make our annual activities a success.

GO HOME EARLY DRILL: Tuesday, November 21, 2017 @ 2:50 P.M.

To practice the Go Home Early Portion of our School's Safety Plan, students will be dismissed at 2:50 P.M. on Tuesday, November 21st.

Please make the necessary arrangements for your child's safety and supervision on this early dismissal date.

SCHOOL RECESS: Wednesday, November 22nd - Friday, November 24th

School will not be in session from Wednesday, November 22nd thru Friday, November 24th due to Thanksgiving Recess. Classes resume on Monday, November 27, 2017.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH ASSEMBLY - Thursday, November 30, 2017 - K-3 at 9:30 a.m. and Gr. 4-6 at 2:10 p.m. - October students will be honored

CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to the 2017 Watson Williams Cross Country Team. They did an amazing job! We had 4 top ten finishers, including: Benji Reed, Nwee Se, Ezmore Jackson and Jasmin Gonzalez-Rivera (3rd overall) Also, the boys 5th grade group finished 3rd overall. Great job team. You should be proud of yourselves.

