



COMING EVENTS

November 4 - 5, Wednesday and Thursday

Kindergarten and Grade 1 Parent-Teacher Conferences
Kindergarten – Grade 1 dismiss at 12:30 p.m.

November 5, Thursday

Middle School Invention Convention at 7 p.m.

November 6, Friday

WRCS Spirit Day – Pajama Day
End of Marking Period

4-yr. Full-day Preschool - Grade 8 dismiss at 12:30 p.m.

November 7, Saturday

WRCS Book Fair at Barnes and Noble, 9 a.m. – 11 p.m.

November 9, Monday

School closed – Accreditation Work Day

November 11, Wednesday

Report Cards Issued

November 25, Wednesday

Thanksgiving Vacation begins
4-yr. Full-day Preschool - G8 dismiss at 12:30 p.m.

November 26 - November 27, Thursday - Friday

School Closed for Thanksgiving Vacation

December 8, Tuesday

Christmas Program – Grades 1 and 2, 7 p.m.

December 11, Friday

Christmas Program – 3- and 4-yr. Preschool classes, 7 p.m.

December 15, Tuesday

Christmas Program – Grades 3-5, 7 p.m.

December 17, Thursday

Christmas Program – Kindergarten, 7 p.m.

December 21, Monday

Christmas Program – Middle School, 7 p.m.

December 22, Tuesday

Christmas Vacation begins
4-yr. Full-day Preschool – G8 dismiss at 12:30 p.m.

December 23 through January 1

School Closed for Christmas Vacation

January 4, Monday

Back to School

ACCREDITATION UPDATE

WRCS has been working hard preparing for our accreditation review this coming year. Teachers and staff, along with Board members and others, are almost finished with the first phase of our reaccreditation.

Why is accreditation important? The process offers WRCS the opportunity to demonstrate our efforts toward continuous improvement of our school. Being accredited assures you, our patrons, that WRCS is an excellent school.

CHARACTER CORNER

Each month we focus on a different aspect of character development. **“Gratitude” is the theme for November.**



Week one will focus on the **habit of being thankful and appreciating one’s blessings.** During week two, students will learn about **acknowledging one’s debts to others.** We finish up the month with **not complaining** during week three.

We encourage parents to ask students about these aspects as we go through the month, and work with them to further the character education they receive at WRCS.

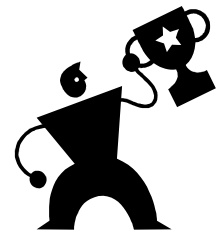
GOOD JOB, PARENTS!

Thanks to you, the current flu season has not hit the WRCS community as severely as in other places. Thank you for adhering to the health care policy, and not sending students to school when they are sick. The school really appreciates the way you all have been in touch with us when a child becomes ill!



WARWICK RIVER SERVES COMMUNITY

WRCS students and faculty gathered nonperishable food to meet an urgent need passed on to us by Denhigh United Christian Outreach (DUCO). Everyone did a great job, with different grades bringing in different types of food – over 237 lbs! Thanks!



RIPTIDES VICTORIOUS!

In a stunning turnaround, the WRCS Riptides volleyball team came back from a disappointing season to win at the tournament and come out as league champions. Great job, Riptides!

**The Child Care is now accepting
new students!
Call 877-0130 for more information.**



STUDENT COUNCIL FOR 2009-2010

- President – Megan Holley
- Vice-President – Lisette Brondyke
- Secretary – Jamie Field
- Chaplain – Britainy McDowell
- 8th Grade Representatives – Debra Henegar, Woodson Parrish
- 7th Grade Representatives – Samantha Boswell, Allison FitzGerald
- 6th Grade Representatives – Stephanie Hayes, Rayne Troxell
- Advisor – Mrs. Cathy Huckaby



Our Kindergarten classes recently visited the Pumpkin Patch. Each student brought back a prized pumpkin!



Book Buddies match up experienced readers in upper grades with emerging readers in lower grades. Here we see 5th grade students reading to a 1st grader.

WEATHERBUG TAKES OFF

WRCS teachers enjoyed a fun and interactive training session on how best to use WeatherBug in the classroom. Ms. LaShanda Disla led them through a series of activities on WeatherBug Achieve, which has student resources in addition to the tutorials and videos for teachers.



Students have also taken to using WeatherBug. Each classroom has a student report the weather each morning as the meteorologist of the day. Classes also used Wordle (wordle.net) to generate word charts illustrating their use of WeatherBug.

Teachers plan to hold a contest in the near future to see which class will have the highest percentage of students bringing in weather-related headlines from the newspaper.



THE CHALLENGE BEFORE US: \$220,500

We are humbled, especially in this challenging economy, by the families who entrust their children to us and those who support and believe in WRCS.

WRCS strives to keep our quality education as affordable as we can, cutting costs whenever possible. Registration, setup fees, and tuition will cover about 85% of the school’s 2009-10 expenses. The remaining 15% has to be raised through other means, such as donations and fund-raisers. The projected need (expenses minus income) is called the “Annual Fund.”

With a significant decrease in enrollment due to the economy, we also projected a significant increase in the Annual Fund (\$220,500, nearly 15% of our 2009-10 budget). We ask that you prayerfully consider additional ways the Lord would have you support WRCS. **No matter the size, every gift and act of service counts!** Please consider making a special donation to the school this year, providing some extra time of volunteer service, or asking new families to send their children here. Each of these acts help a great deal!

For additional information on how to support the Annual Fund and WRCS, contact Vonda Bryant, Development Director, at 874-2941, ext. 124 or vbryant@warwickriver.org.