


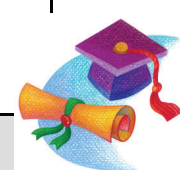
Watervliet Elementary School News and Notes

NEWSLETTER DATE: JUNE 2011

THERESA O'BRIEN, PRINCIPAL

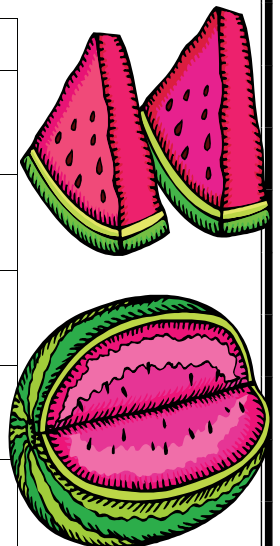
TODD GIAGNI, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

JUNE DATES TO REMEMBER:

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 NYS Science Assessments	2 NYS Science Assessments Gr 1 Community Walk	3 NYS Science Assessments Gr 5 Diamond Grove	4
5	6 NYS Science Assessments / K Fun Run 11:30	7	8 Gr 6 Boston Gr 4 Erie Canal Gr 2 5 Rivers	9 WES Spring Concert 7PM Gr 2 5 Rivers	10	11
12	13	14 WES PTA Mtg. 6:30 PM— WES Cafeteria Gr 3 Howe's Cavern	15 Gr 6 Dance Kdg Field Trip	16 Drama Club Play 6:30pm	17 WES Field Day	18
19	20 WES Kindergarten Moving Up Day 10 AM	21 HALF DAY WES UPK Graduation 7 pm BOE mtg WHS	22 HALF DAY	23 HALF DAY	24 HALF DAY - WES 6th Gr. Graduation 9:30 AM	25
26	27	28	29	30		

JUNE LUNCH MENU

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		1 Toasted Cheese or Ham & Cheese	2 French Toast Sticks w/ Sausage	3 Cheese Pizza
6 Hamburger	7 Chicken Quesadilla	8 Mac-n-Cheese	9 Loaded Nachos	10 Pepperoni Pizza
13 Chicken Nuggets	14 Pancakes w/ Sausage	15 Twin Taco	16 Pepperoni Pizza	17 FIELD DAY
20 Chicken Patty	21 Lunch on the go!	22 Lunch on the go!	23 Lunch on the go!	24 Breakfast only!
		HALF DAYS!!!!		
27	28	29	30	



MENU

Breakfast :

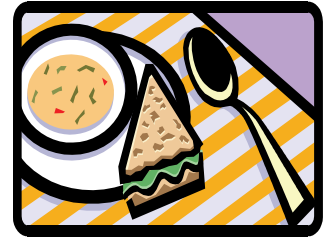
Full Price: \$1.25

Meals may be prepaid for the week or month in the cafeteria between the hours of 8 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. Checks are to be made payable to the Watervliet School Cafeteria. Parents may also pay through the online system, www.mynutrikids.com. Information is on the school website, www.watervlietcityschools.org Food Service link or "What's For Lunch" icon.

CAFETERIA MANAGER:

MR. DARRYL WHITED

629-3261



WCSD

Student Breakfast is available daily, and includes:

Choice of milk, 1%, low fat chocolate

Choice of fresh fruit **or** juice

Choice of sunflower seeds - honey or salted

Choice of bread item - cereal, mini-muffins, multi-grain pop tart or wheat bagel

(muffins, graham cracker, & bagel count as 2 items)

JUNE HOT LUNCH SPECIAL OF THE DAY MENU

6/1 Toasted Cheese or Ham & Cheese

6/2 French Toast Sticks w/ Sausage

6/3 Cheese Pizza

6/6 Hamburger

6/7 Chicken Quesadilla

6/8 Mac-n-Cheese

6/9 Loaded Nachos

6/10 Pepperoni Pizza

6/13 Chicken Nuggets

6/14 Pancakes w/Sausage

6/15 Twin Taco

6/16 Pepperoni Pizza

6/17 FIELD DAY—Picnic Lunch Provided

6/20 Chicken Patty

6/21 1/2 Day Lunch on the go!

6/22 1/2 Day Lunch on the go!

6/23 1/2 Day Lunch on the go!

6/24 1/2 Day Breakfast only!

Students are entitled to 5 items (from different food groups) but must take at least 3 to qualify for a full hot lunch .

The Deli Bar is open each day with choice of Sandwich **in place of** the Hot Lunch Special of the Day

Examples of student lunch choice:

- chicken patty on bun, milk, hot vegetables, fresh fruit.
- Deli sandwich, milk, fruit juice, cold vegetables.

NYS SCIENCE ASSESSMENTS

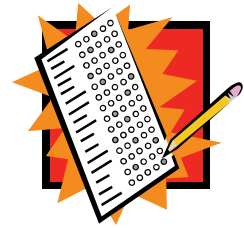
All children in New York State grade 4 will be taking the NYS Science Assessments. Students in the Watervliet Elementary School will be tested on the following days:

Grade 4 Science Performance Test:

Tuesday, May 31st ; Wednesday, June 1st; Thursday, June 2nd

Grade 4 Written Science:

Monday, June 6th



Please make sure your child arrives to school on time. Testing begins at 9:15am.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- **END OF AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS AND LATE BUS RUN:** A reminder that Friday, June 10th is the last day of our after school clubs. We will not be providing late bus services for the remainder of the school year. A great year for our clubs! Thank you for your support.
- **FIELD DAY:** Friday, June 17th is our annual field day. Each grade level has a color assigned to them. We encourage the children to wear a t-shirt in their grade level color:

UPK:	Maroon
1st Grade:	Blue
2nd Grade:	Orange
3rd Grade:	Green
4th Grade:	White
5th grade:	Red
6th Grade:	YOUR GRADUATION T-SHIRT!!!!
- **End of Year Ceremonies:** Several events are scheduled for the last week of school. Kindergarten Graduation is scheduled for 10:00am on June 20th, UPK has their moving up day on June 21st, and grade 6 has their graduation at 9:30am on June 24th. Parking for all events is very limited. Please car pool if possible. A reminder that cars parked illegally have been ticketed and towed in the past. SEATING IS LIMITED. Kindergarten and grade 6 will send home information and tickets for guests. Only those with the tickets are able to attend. This is a safety issue.
- **Student medications:** All student medications in the nurse's office need to be picked up by parents. We cannot send medications home with students.
- **Safety:** Flip flops, platform sandals and slide-on sandals are not to be worn to school. We are seeing an increasing number of injuries due to unsafe footwear.
- **Schedule: We have 1/2 days Tues—Fri of the last week of school.** Student dismissal begins at 11:30am Tuesday through Thursday (lunch served) and 11:00am dismissal on Friday. Achievement Reports will be distributed on Thursday. The main office will hold the report cards of any child absent that day. Parents will need to pick them up at some time over the summer.

HAVE YOU HEARD THE WORD?

At WES, we have a building full of curious readers! To help us build our reading vocabulary, we have started a program called "Word of the Week". Each week Mrs. O'Brien reads 2 synonyms along with the definition. Each class submits a sentence with their synonym to the reading office. On Friday, we announce the winning classes, 1 from the primary grades and 1 from the intermediate grades, each of whom then receives a brand new book to add to the classroom library!

Week 14: Lovely/Exquisite **Week 15:** Clever/ Brilliant

Week 16: Chuckle/ Chortle **Week 17:** Bud/ Blossom

**CHESS CLUB @ WES!**

Each month, we will be spotlighting one of our wonderful afterschool clubs. This month find out what our Chess Club has been up to! Many Watervliet Elementary School kings and queens have checked into Chess Club. Chess is a game of critical thinking, strategy, and sportsmanship. Since our school finds these characteristics throughout the hallways, Friday afternoons in Mr. Travers' classroom, boys and girls put them to work.

**FROM THE PTA**

- PTA meeting Tuesday, June 14th at 6:30 in the WES Cafeteria..
- The PTA wishes a warm welcome to the new PTA Board members!
- A big thank you to the outgoing PTA Board members— thank you for all you have done to make WES a great place!

The PTA wishes everyone a great summer!!

NOTES FROM THE MUSIC ROOM**VOCAL MUSIC NEWS!**

The Spring concert will be held on June 9th at 7:00 PM. Cannoneer Chorus will include all 4th grade students & the afterschool Chorus students. Students are asked to be at school by 6:45 PM. Students should be dressed in comfortable/light clothes— no jeans or sweat pants please. Band A and B will also perform. Reminders will go out again as we get closer to the date.

**FROM THE NURSE**

All students entering K, 2nd and 4th grades will need to have a physical done. If you are unable to have one done by your child's doctor - one will be provided by the school doctor.

All students entering 6th grade need to get a Tdap immunization when they turn 11 years old. This is a NYS mandated immunization to prevent the spread of Pertussis (Whooping Cough). Please contact your child's doctor to make an appointment for this immunization.

Mrs. Vogel , RN Ph: 629-3402 Fax: 629-3252

6TH GRADE UPCOMING DATES

BOSTON FIELD TRIP – JUNE 8, 2011 6:15AM -8:00PM

Make sure permission slip is turned in.

Students will be allowed onto the buses at 6:15am.

Remember to either bring money or pack a lunch and bring a bagged dinner for the ride home.

Please pick students up promptly at 8:00 as we return.

GRADE 6 DANCE – JUNE 15, 2011 6:00 – 8:00

Be sure your permission slip is turned in.

This is a student only event--NO PARENTS ALLOWED!!!

All students need to be appropriately dressed as per the school dress code.

Please refrain from wearing any tank tops or spaghetti straps.

Please pick students up promptly at 8:00 at the door!



GRADUATION–FRIDAY, JUNE 24, 2011 @ 9:30AM–WATERVLIEET HIGH SCHOOL

All students need to arrive at the **Elementary School** at 8:35 for attendance purposes.

All Students will be bussed up to the high school with their class for the ceremony.

Tickets will be mailed home to all students.

Students will be dismissed directly from the high school following the ceremony and reception.

Again, please be sure all students are dressed appropriately as per the school dress code. No jeans or sneakers are allowed as well as spaghetti strapped dresses.



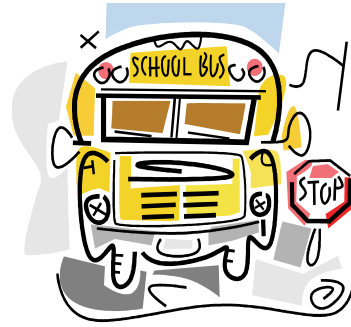
Thank you for your support,

The Sixth Grade Team

PEACEFUL SCHOOLBUS

- **Peaceful School Bus:** On May 27th the students participated in the final Peaceful School Bus session for the year. The students worked cooperatively in order to reflect and determine a vision for how their bus stop can be a safe and respectful place as they wait for the school bus to arrive. They created an acrostic poem of guidelines for positive bus stop behavior.

- B** – Bully free,
- U** – Use quiet voices,
- S** – Stand Still,
- S** – Stay out of the road,
- T** – Treat others with respect,
- O** – Be Obedient,
- P** – Please always be safe.



Magic RumbleBee
 Cookie Monster
 Cafeteria Fun Spot

Rappin Rascal Walkers
 Super Ultra parent Pick up
 Ba Da Da Da Da Bus
 Team 95
 Bumble bee Bus
 Mary Go Round
 Yellow Limo
 Cap's Cool Bus
 Hot Wheels
 Crazy 8's
 Brotherhood Express

Summer School

The summer program this year will include kindergarten readiness through grade 6. We will be located at the elementary school. The program runs 4 days a week from July 6th through August 14th. If you have any questions about enrollment, call Mr. Giagni @ 629-3400.



LEAVING THE DISTRICT?

If your child is in kindergarten-5th grade and will not be returning to Watervliet Elementary School in the fall, please provide your child's name and teacher, and if possible, the school district your child will begin attending in September. **Please fill out the information below and return to the main office.**

Student's Name: _____

Grade / Teacher: _____

School District attending in September: _____