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The Woodland Park School District e-Newsletter is sent out weekly when school is in session. It serves as a glimpse of some of the wonderful things going on in our schools, as well as a point of reference for upcoming events.

Your Partner in Education, Michele R. Pillari, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

Celebrating Earth Day



Students in Miss Capo's third grade class at Beatrice Gilmore School were encouraged to celebrate Earth Day on April 22nd. Some ways students recognized this day from home was by planting flowers, writing poems, and creating art.



Principal For The Day

Charles Olbon School second grader Alexander Billson was "Principal For The Day" yesterday, an honor he won at the Home & School's tricky tray earlier this year. He declared the day to be a pajama day, had Zoom meetings, read the CO Promise during morning announcements and received reports from staff members.

Staying Connected



The aides in Ms. Brunini's class at Beatrice Gilmore School did a great job recently holding their own Zoom meeting with the students. Ms. Brunini was able to watch the class while she was on her PLC meeting the whole time.

Special Lunch Break



Students at Charles Olbon School who won special lunches at the Home & School's tricky tray earlier this year had a special Zoom yesterday. Raffle winners Justin, Noelle, Sophia and Alex met with Mayor Kazmark, Dr. Irizarry, Officer Andy, Miss Indri, and Mr. Volpe. They had a great time with learning about food groups and talking about remote school, pets and their favorite movies.

Creative Time



Isabella, a Charles Olbon School student in Mrs. Macchiavello's class, shows off an art portrait.

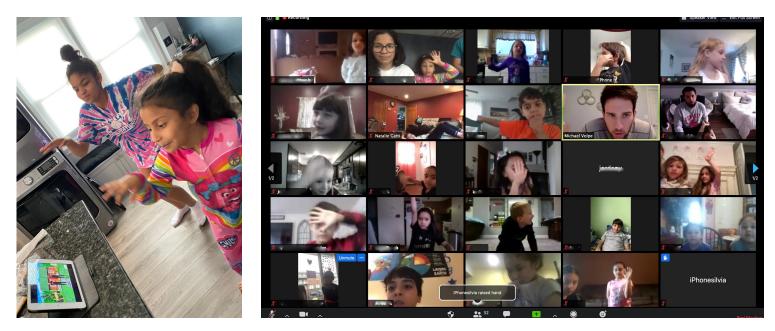
Food service reminder

A reminder that the District offers "grab and go" food service from 9 a.m. to 12 noon weekdays from three locations: Memorial Middle School, Charles Olbon School, and the parking lot of Santangelo's Funeral Home on McBride Ave. Food service is open for all students.

Food Pantry available for those in need

The St. Agnes Church food pantry, located at 65 Union Ave. in Little Falls, is open at 7:30 a.m. Saturday mornings for residents of Little Falls, Woodland Park and Totowa. It remains open until 10:30 a.m. Those in need are welcome to come pick up; no registration or information is needed. The pantry offers meats, vegetables and fruits, whole milk and groceries, as well as pet food. Bags will be placed in a vehicle's trunk or back seat to limit contact.

Home School Gym Class



Charles Olbon School students are enjoying taking Physical Education Zoom meetings with Mr. Volpe.



Taking The Pledge

Memorial School's National Junior Honor Society inductees took the society's pledge virtually last Friday and have committed themselves to the organization. They will have their first organizational meeting on Monday via Google Meets.

Families are encouraged to sign up for Borough e-news service

During these past number of weeks as we have been dealing with the COVID-19 public health emergency, the Borough of Woodland Park has been communicating very important information with the community. One way information has been shared and continues to be shared is through email.

At the request of Mayor Keith Kazmark, we strongly encourage all families to sign up for these e-mail updates which are sent from the municipality. Please sign up at <u>http://www.wpnj.us/e-news</u>. Signing up will provide you with information as well as updates on the impact this virus has and continues to have on our community.

Library website redesigned to offer quick links to info needs

The Alfred Baumann Library has created a dedicated resource page on their website for mental health resources. Enter the Virtual Portal on the Library's website to access resources for anxiety and stress, addiction and recovery, and yoga and meditation. The Library is also partnering with the Board of Health to bring residents a fitness minute and lectures on a variety of health topics. All videos can be accessed via the Library's YouTube Channel <u>here</u>.





The Alfred Baumann Library has redesigned its website to accommodate all of your needs during the shelter in place order. You will find links for virtual storytimes, S.T.E.M. activities, arts & crafts, resources for unemployment insurance, SNAP, small businesses, mental health, special projects and more. You can reach Library staff Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for questions or assistance. You can also use the chat feature on the website <u>here</u>.

Enter the Family Reading Challenge weekly to win prizes

Join in on the Alfred Baumann Library's Family Reading Challenge. Follow the instructions to be entered into a drawing for a weekly gift certificate. To date families have won Viva La Pizza, Tommy's Taste of Italy, Bromilow's and Sip & Swirl gift certificates. The Library not only gets our families reading together, but it is also able to support the businesses in the community.

Please join in each week. If you do not have a printer, just draw your chart. Take a picture and send it to the Library via email at library@abwplibrary.org or send the picture via Facebook. Keep reading fun!

Don't forget the Library has many digital resources like Libby and Hoopla. use your library card to download or stream. Families that read together succeed together! Charts should be sent to us by Sunday evening each week.

