# **STORM NEWS**

**Warman Community Middle School** 

October 2017

Wow! It is hard to believe that the first month of the school year has already passed. We want to give a huge bouquet of thanks to staff and students for making our transition to a Grade 5 to 8 school a relatively smooth and positive one. Students are busy learning in classrooms and a number of extra -curricular programs like volleyball, soccer and cross country running are underway. It is also exciting to see our students in Grades 6, 7, and 8 Band starting to learn to make joyful sounds with their instruments and play some basic tunes.

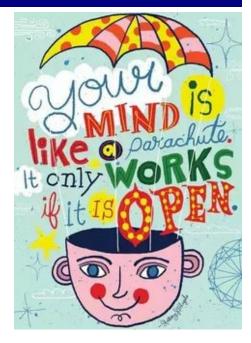
Inside this newsletter you will find

more information on our major annual fundraiser to support extra -curricular programs at WCMS. We will be running the popular Fundscrip program again. We are very proud of the wide number of extra-curricular programs that we have been able to offer students at WCMS, and hope we can count on your support so we can continue to offer these opportunities to student athletes and artists with no user fees.

Have a wonderful October!

**WCMS Admin Team** 





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#### **CROSS COUNTRY**

WCMS has just wrapped up a wonderful cross country season! We had a number of enthusiastic students out this year. We were fortunate to have wonderful weather at both our Langham and Delisle meets. We wrapped up our season with our CVAC meet on Wednesday this week. Our team did very well with a num-

ber of students receiving ribbons or medals. Honorable mentions go to our Bantam Winners: GIRLS - Ashlyn P (7<sup>th</sup> place); BOYS - Jake K (9<sup>th</sup> place), and Nowyl M (6<sup>th</sup> place). Our Pee Wee winners included: GIRLS - Minna K - W (10<sup>th</sup> place), Ariel B (5<sup>th</sup> place) and Bella H (1<sup>st</sup> place); BOYS - Levi N (9<sup>th</sup> place), Griffyn M (1<sup>st</sup>

place). Our Atom winners included: GIRLS - Skylar D (1<sup>st</sup> Place). As a team, we collectively won both the Pee Wee plaque and the Atom / Pee Wee combined plaques. WCMS represented us well at our meets. Thanks to a great season; see you out next year!





#### SRC

The SRC would like to welcome back all staff and students to another fun exciting year. The SRC has been busy planning upcoming activities and events for the student body to enjoy this year. Today the SRC hosted Wilbur who taught us about cultural intelligence. Students can Watch for upcoming events on our SRC bulletin board have a great year everyone go WCMS!





#### **GRADE 5/6 GIRLS SOCCER**



Our soccer season is winding down. The girls have played 5 games so far, and have a record of 3 Wins and 2 Losses. The team is improving each time out, and will be hosting the final tourney on Friday, October 13th at RJ Gidluck field. Hague, Osler, and VCA will be coming to Warman for the Girls tourney.

Coach Fast and Knaus

#### **JUNIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL**

### Junior Girls Grade 7 & 8 Volleyball teams are doing very well this year!

The grade 8 volleyball team has gone to two tournaments already and have a busy season planned. We went to Warman High School on September 22 & 23, where we continued to improve throughout the tournament. We ended the tournament with a win against Lang-

ham. On September 30, we went to Walter W. Brown High School in Langham and again improved throughout the day. We have several tournaments coming up in our near future. These include home tournaments on October 14 (for the Grade 8 B Team and Grade 7 Team) and 21, a Leask tournament on October 14 for the Grade 8 A Team and a Dalmeny tournament on October

27 & 28. We also have several games planned including an away game to Osler on October 12 for the grade 7 team. We will finish off the season at CVAC's on Tuesday, October 31. Looking forward to a great season!

Go Storm!

Coaches Angela Yedersberger & Crystal Procyshyn

#### **GRADE 6—8 VOLLEYBALL**

There will be a grade 6-8 Volleyball tournament on Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> from 9-

5. WCMS will have 8 teams playing in a 30 team tournament. Go Storm!



#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

October 6 - Prep/PD

October 9 - Thanksgiving



# PICTURE RETAKES OCTOBER 25



#### Family Health Information

Save that Smile

**Trick or Treat** 

When to Stay Home From School

Healthy Eating for Meetings

Find more family health info at:

www.saskatoonhealthregion.ca

(Search: school newsletter inserts)



Health Population and Public Health

#### Follow the Blog

Click on the "follow" tab at the bottom of our blog (http://blogs.spiritsd.ca/wcms/) if you would like to receive an email each time a post is added.

#### **Contact Us**

Give us a call or email any time with questions, concerns or suggestions.

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#### **WARMAN COMMUNITY LIBRARY**

We are excited to kick off another school year in the Warman Community Library as students can take advantage of a wide variety of services and opportunities far beyond what any regular school library can provide, including:

- · Extended library hours on evenings, weekends, and school breaks.
- · Access to resources from across Saskatchewan's public library system.
- · Online books and magazines that can be downloaded from anywhere to the student's device.
- · A modern and comfortable space

Students must have their Wheatland Regional Library credentials with them to sign out materials from the library at any time other than whole class book exchanges.

**NEW!!!!!** -We are excited to announce that we have partnered with

the Warman Public Library to purchase digital card readers so students and all patrons of the Warman Community Library have three convenient ways to provide their library card:

- · Library card
- · Library key fob
- · Digital photo of your library card on your electronic device

As users of the Warman Community Library, all student patrons are responsible for adhering to Wheatland Regional Library policies regarding overdue and lost materials. Students are issued a receipt with every resource they check out of the Warman Community Library. Checking on the status of an account can be conveniently done by visiting the library directly, calling the Warman Community Library at 306-933-4387 or logging on to wheatland.sk.ca with your library card number. The pin number is defaulted to the last 4 digits of

your phone number.

WCMS students are charged fines in accordance with Wheatland Regional Libraries borrowing policies for overdue and missing books. Please check your child's account regularly to ensure they are returning books on time.

You should receive emails from the library when your child's requested books come in or when their books are approaching the due date or are overdue. If you have not been receiving these messages, please check with the library staff to ensure we have the correct email address on record.

In the event that settling fines may present a financial hardship to the family, parents are encouraged to contact Greg Tebay, WCMS Principal to explore other options including volunteering or service projects to address the fines.

#### **ARRIVAL TIME AT SCHOOL**



We ask that students arrive at school in the mornings between 8:20

and 8:35AM. The warning bell rings at 8:35, with classes beginning at 8:40. Student doors open and staff

supervision begins at 8:20AM each school day.

#### FACILITY ACCESS PLAN—PICK UP AND DROP OFF AREAS

WCMS and the Legends Centre were designed to ensure that we can move large numbers of people in and out of the facility quickly and safely. Please follow these guidelines to help do your part:

· School bus loading and unloading in the east side of the Legends Centre –

in front of the Legends Centre.

- · Parent pickup and drop off of students please use the parking available on Gowan Road on the west side of the school. **DO NOT** use the Legends Centre parking lot as a location to pick up students.
- · Student pedestrians please use the pathways and sidewalks. Please use the bike racks on the school side of the facility. Pedestrian students are asked not to loiter in the bus loading area or park bikes in the city bike racks in front of the Legends Centre.

#### **FUNDSCRIP**

WCMS launched its major annual fundraiser to support extracurricular programming at our school on Thursday, September 28th. After tremendous results and positive feedback we are running the Fundscrip gift card program again this fall. The success of this program is essential to the operation of our extra-curricular programs at WCMS.

Students were asked to take home three order sheets. Additional order sheets can be obtained from homeroom teachers or the school office.

Our collection days will be Wednesdays October 4, 11 and 18th. We hope that cards will be available for pickup at the school during student conferences on November 6th & 8th.

We ask for your assistance in helping keep a vibrant extracurricular program at WCMS!

#### What is Fundscrip?

Fundscrip is an innovative program that lets you earn cash rebates for your organization based on things you buy everyday like groceries, gas and other household items. Every month you spend hundreds of dollars for things like food, gas, clothing, pharmacy, restaurants, electronics, home renovations, department stores, and so on. All you have to do is pay for some or all of your purchases using GIFT CARDS bought at face value from FundScrip participating retailers and a percentage of every gift card purchased is contributed to your group's fundraising efforts. Most fundraisers ask you to take out your chequebook to buy

things you don't want or need....

Fundscrip costs you nothing! You make your usual visit to the grocery store. You fill your cart and go to

the check out. Instead of paying with cash or a debit card, you use a gift card that you purchased through our group. It costs you nothing extra but you just earned money for your group.

Ask family & friends to support our group? We encourage everyone to invite their family members, friends, co-workers and neighbors to participate in FundScrip as well. After all, they probably buy groceries and gas, just like you do. You could give them an order form and they can order at the same time.

The gift cards come preloaded and are available in various denominations. As you use the cards, the value of the purchase is automatically deducted from the value stored on the card. If you don't use the entire amount, the balance remains on the card and can be used for future purchases.

#### STUDENT CONFERENCES - NOVEMBER 6 & 8

A reminder to mark your calendars for Student Involved Conferences on November 6 & 8. Students will attend these conferences and be a part of leading them in various ways. The online scheduler for making your conference appointments will be activated on Thursday, October 19th. We will send a reminder notice home through Power Announcement prior to open-

ing the scheduler. We look forward to seeing you and having your child talk to you about their learning and growth.

#### **SCHOOL BUSES & BUS PASSES**

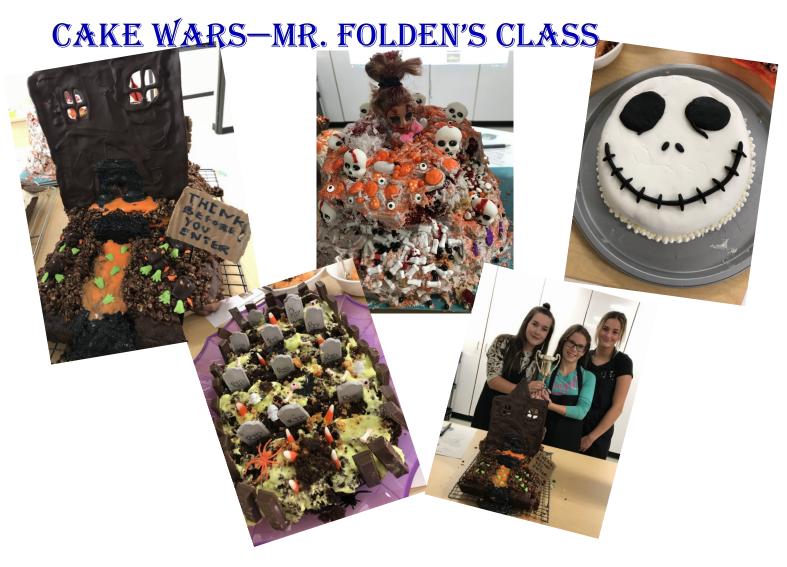
A reminder that all urban bus students need to keep their bus pass in their possession and show it to the bus driver in order to ride the school bus.

School bus information for urban and rural students can be found on the

PSSD website (under Transportation) at www.spiritsd.ca/buses/

FYI: WCMS students participated in annual safety reviews and bus evacuation drills on September 27th. Thank you to our Warman bus drivers who made themselves and their buses available to us!











# Do you have books at home that you would like to donate to our classroom libraries for students to read?

#### Most Wanted Books for Classroom Libraries

#### Award Winners

**Newberry Medal/Honor Books:** including The One and Only Ivan, Doll Bones, The Underneath, Rules, Criss Cross, The Tale of Despereaux, Hoot, Because of Winn-Dixie, Holes, The Giver, Charlotte's Web, etc.

**Caldecott Medal/Honor Books:** Award Winning Picture Books, including The Red Book, A Sick Day for Amos McGee, Casey at the Bat, No, David!, etc.

Student Choice Awards: Wonder, Out of My Mind, Counting by 7's, The Fault in our Stars, Oragami Yoda Series, Di-

vergent Series

Great Authors
Roald Dahl
Kate DiCamillo
Deborah Ellis
Cornelia Funke
Anthony Horowitz
Gordon Korman
Kenneth Oppel
James Patterson
Gary Paulsen

Popular Series
Diary of a Wimpy Kid
Dork Diaries
Harry Potter
The Hunger Games
I Survived

Percy Jackson and the Lightening Thief Skeleton Creek and Trackers

**Graphic Novels** Amulet Baby Mouse

Big Nate Bone

Books by Raina Telgemeier

Lunch Lady Squish

Superheroes/Action

### Arthur Slade Non-Fiction

Rick Riordan Louis Sachar Jerry Spinelli

Guinness Book of World Records

**DK/Eyewitness** 

Poetry Collections such as Shel Silverstein

Biographies of Inspirational and Interesting People

National Geographic

Riplev's Believe it or Not

Educational books that teach and inspire deeper thinking – most requested themes include outdoor adventures, war, animals, and historical events.

If you have any gently used books you are willing to part with, please send them to school with your child or drop off at the front office for Mrs. Mason.

Thank you for supporting literacy at WCMS!

#### **MULTICULURAL CLUB**

Multicultural Club will be starting on Monday, Oct. 16th. The club is open

to anyone who wants to learn and share about other cultures. This

club will go until Christmas break!

