

# **STORM NEWS**

#### Warman Community Middle School

Welcome to our November newsletter! Wow! It's hard to believe it's already two months into the school year - how time flies!

October has been a busy month at WCMS! The month began with Orange Shirt Day (usually held on Sept. 30th which was a Sunday) on November 1st. The first couple weeks were busy with our Fundscrip fund-raiser which raised over \$7000 this year! These funds will go towards the many extra-curricular and opportunities for our students. Thank you so much to all our families who supported Fundscrip this year!

We would like to thank our students for the amount of positive notes of appreciation they wrote to staff during Staff Appreciation Week. Their notes covered an entire bulletin board in our school hallway. This really speaks to the positive staff-student relationships here at WCMS!

On Friday, October 19th, WCMS had a Gym Blast - an assembly that promoted team building and school spirit. A big thank you to Mrs. Burgess and Mrs. Georgacacos for their leadership in organizing the teams on that day.

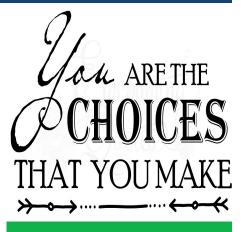
Our SCC attended the Growing Together Conference at Martensville High School on Saturday, October 20th. The conference focused on family and community engagement. It was a great day of learning for our SCC members.

Also on Saturday, October 20th, WCMS hosted a Junior Volleyball Tournament. We had 20 teams attend the tournament that day. Thank you to Mrs. Mason, Mrs. Yedersberger, Ms. Harvey and Ms. McPherson for your leadership in organizing the tournament for our students.

We are looking forward to November, which brings Student-Led Conferences, Remembrance Day, the beginning of the Basketball season, another fun school-wide assembly, and the end of Term 1. Have a great month!

#### WCMS Admin Team





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#### **STORM GIRLS SOCCER**

The Grade 6 Storm soccer girls had a very successful season. The Girls finished the regular season with a record of 4 Wins, 1 Loss. The Girls traveled to Osler for the final tournament on Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. The Girls played 3 games. They beat Osler in a shootout, and then defeated VCA and Hague to win the tournament. What a great way to end the season!!!

This year's Storm squad included:

Grade 6: Alexis Puteria, Ariel Bendig, Bella Healey, Marsayn Bestman, Alexus Gatzke, Alysha Denis, Emma Engdahl, Savana Bueckert, Lily Friesen, McKenzie Wright,



Skylar Dyck, Lauren Anderson, Andrea Miguel, Mikiya Anderson, Aybree Moffat, Raelyn Lacoursiere, Jessica Hueser, Emersyn Wirachowsky, Amber Kasahoff.

I would like to thank the girls for

their hard work, sportsmanship, and dedication this season. I had so much fun coaching this awesome group of girls. Go Storm!!

#### **Coach Fast**

#### **STORM BOYS SOCCER**

What an exciting season for the WCMS Grade 6 Boys Soccer team!! We had a large team this year of 26 players. Our season consisted of five league games against Hague, VCA, Osler, and



Martensville. On October 4, we took first place at the final tournament after a big shoot-out win over Hague! Thank you to all the parents and fans that came to cheer us on at our games and final tournament! Congratulations to all the players for their successful season!

**Coach Lieffers** 



#### **GRADE 6 VOLLEYBALL**

Grade 6 Volleyball wrapped up in October. We had a fun time practicing and learning new skills. We ended the season with a friendly competition where Tuesday teams vs. Thursday teams. Great work grade 6!



#### JUNIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

I had a great year with all of my three teams. We were able to develop our skills and teamwork throughout the season. My 7/8 and 7 team completed their season on October 20 with some wins and are excited for the year end on November 23. My CVAC team has done extremely well. They were first in their round robin matches the last two tournaments and achieved second place in both of those tournaments. We had a lot of fun, some tears and some ice cream. I've really enjoyed coaching these girls and feel lucky to have such a great group of girls involved in my favourite sport! Playoffs begin this week so hopefully we can continue our momentum until Saturday, November 3!

Coach Yedi

#### CURLING

Curling for grades 6-8 will begin on November 8th (even though there is no school) and runs every Thursday from 3:30-5:00 at the Martensville Curling Club until the February break. If students would still like to sign up they must see Mr. Prescesky as soon as possible.

#### **IMPORTANT REMINDERS NO SCHOOL FOR** Family Health Information **Contact Us** STUDENTS Give us a call or email any E-Cigarettes November 8 - Day in Lieu time with questions, con-HIV Not Your Problem Think cerns or suggestions. November 9 - Prep Day Again Impetigo Warman Community Mid-November 12 dle School Safe School Lunches 700 Gowan Road **Remembrance Day** Find more family health info at: Warman, SK www.saskatoonhealthregion.ca S0K 4S2 (Search: school newsletter in-(306) 683-3000 serts) patty.kirby@spiritsd.ca Follow the Blog **HEALTHY STUDENTS = BETTER** Visit us on the web at : **LEARNERS** Click on the "follow" tab at the bottom of our blog (http:// http://blogs.spiritsd.ca/ blogs.spiritsd.ca/wcms/) if you Saskatoon wcms/ Health Population and Public Health would like to receive an email each time a post is added.

#### POPPY DONATIONS

Each year we ask students to donate money to the Legion Poppy Fund in exchange for a poppy. Funds raised through this campaign support Veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces, the RCMP, and their families. Students can bring donations on the week of Monday, November 5th – Wednesday, November 7th.



#### **REMEMBRANCE DAY**



WCMS will be holding our Remembrance Day Service at 11:00 on Wednesday, November 7th in the Blue Gym. Some of our Grade 8 students will be organizing the ceremony and select students from Grade 6 drama classes will also be participating. Parents are invited to attend.

#### COLD AND INCLEMENT WEATHER

As we prepare for winter-type weather, the school plan for cold and inclement weather we would like to highlight some of our school policies and procedures pertaining to this topic. We believe that students benefit from and enjoy active time out-doors, but also hold student safety as a top priority.

We use Environment Canada's

Warman forecast to obtain our information.

At temperatures of warmer than -25 degrees Celsius we expect students to go outside for recess and noon breaks (unless they are otherwise involved in school planned activities). At -25 degrees Celsius and colder we will not send students outside onto the playground for recess and noon breaks.

Should a student's medical condition require him/her to temporarily stay indoors, the parent should notify the homeroom teacher. Students should always come to

school with proper cold weather attire, regardless of the season.



#### SRC

Thank you so much for dressing up on Halloween and bringing so many pumpkins! It's so great to see the steps in the school foyer filled with the Halloween spirit! This month was a busy month for SRC with a Gym Blast, Staff Appreciation Week, a Halloween costume parade and contest, and a pumpkin carving contest. In November, we are looking forward to our next school-wide assembly and a spirit day on November 21 which will be a Onesie Wednesday. Wear your pajamas, crazy hair and celebrate a "lazy day" with us! As well on that day we will host a sale. Details are in the works, we will keep you posted. Thank you to all the students that have participated in and have helped out with all of our activities this year! Have a fantastic November WCMS!

#### LOST AND FOUND

On the upcoming Conference Days on November 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, please remember to check the

lost and found items located on the tables in the front foyer of the

school. Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity.

#### COLD WEATHER BUSSING AND CANCELLATIONS

All Prairie Spirit School Division bus cancellations are prominently posted on the Prairie Spirit website (www.spiritsd.ca/Buses) after 6:00AM each school day. Please keep in mind that you will need to refresh your computer in order to ensure you are able to see the most current updates to the website.



Buses in Prairie Spirit School Division will not run if the combined temperature and wind chill factors result in a reading of -40 degrees or below at 6:00AM (as reported by Environment Canada for Saskatoon at www.weatheroffice.gc.ca).

Prairie Spirit School Division will post bus cancellations on its telephone hotline (306-683-2805) and Transportation webpage (spiritsd.ca/buses) after 6:00AM.

In stormy conditions, bus drivers will use their discretion to determine whether or not to run. Buses are not to operate if weather conditions such as freezing rain, dense fog, heavy rain or severe dust storms impair visibility or otherwise cause dangerous travel conditions. Bus drivers are to decide whether or not to run by no later than 30 minutes before the first scheduled morning pick up, and by no later than one hour prior to the scheduled afternoon dismissal. Buses that do not run at the regular time in the morning due to weather conditions are not to run at all on that same day.

#### STUDENT CONFERENCES

Student involved conferences are scheduled for November  $5^{th}$  and  $7^{th}$  from 3:15-7:00 PM. We look

forward to seeing you and your student come to celebrate and

talk about their next step in learning.

#### EXTRACURRICULAR FUNDRAISER (FUNDSCRIP) UPDATE

A huge thank you goes out for all the support we received to make our fundraiser such a huge success! We sold approximately \$194,270.00 worth of gift cards and raised \$7,634.93 for our school's extracurricular programs! The success of this fundraiser will allow us to continue to cover the operational costs of our extracurricular programs. Thank you to the Saskatoon Co-op, Subway and Pizza Hut for their generous donations of sales award prizes. The gift cards are available for pick up so you can stop at the school anytime between 8:30 & 3:45 to pick them up. We will also have them available November 5th & 7th during student involved conferences.



#### **KIDS PLUS**

The main website at <u>kidsplus.ca</u> will continue to be available for parents to purchase coverage, access claims forms and full plan information online. Additionally, for 2018 we've decided to take our mission to be green one step further by discontinuing distribution of all Kids Plus<sup>™</sup> Notices (Brochures) to reduce our overall paper use. These changes are part of our ongoing commitment to continuously provide superior and meaningful service to our partners and clients while reducing our impact on the environment.

#### **CANNABIS LEGISLATION**

New cannabis legislation has come into effect on Wednesday, October 17. In light of these changes, students and staff have received information regarding procedures and expectations to ensure the safety of our students and staff as well as the ongoing safe operation of our school. Please go to the provincial government <u>website</u> for parents. Educational support materials for teachers, students and parents are available.

### Spare and Regular Bus Drivers needed in your community

#### A Prairie Spirit Bus Driver:

- Receives free training; licensing fees covered
- Could take their young child along on route
- Enjoys daily contact with students
- Supports the local community

Please contact the Prairie Spirit Bus Garage (306) 374-2496 or info@spiritsd.ca for more information about this flexible opportunity.



www.spiritsd.ca

#### **7 HABITS OF HIGHLY EFFECTIVE TEENS**

Your child may have received a notecard from Mrs. D-G (WCMS principal) this month that thanked them for being a great leader at WCMS by modelling the 7 Habits. We are using the 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens as the themes for our school-wide assemblies this year. Here's what the 7 Habits are: Habit 1: Be Proactive Habit 2: Begin with the End in Mind Habit 3: Put First Things First Habit 4: Think Win-Win Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, Then to be Understood

Habit 6: Synergize

Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw

As we cultivate leadership skills in our students, it's great to be mindful of these habits of mind. For more information on the 7 Habits, please check out https://www.education.com/ magazine/article/ Ed 7 Habits Successful/.

#### **BOOK FAIR**

The ENCHANTED FOREST OF BOOKS Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our library on Nov. 5-8<sup>th</sup>: everyone is invited to join in the fun! We encourage you to become enchanted with a great book of your choice!

- Where: Warman Community Library
- **When:** Mon. Nov 5: 12pm 7pm

Tues. Nov. 6: 12pm - 7pm

Wed. Nov 7: 12pm - 8pm

Thurs Nov 8: 12pm – 8pm



#### Additional Information:

ALL WCMS STUDENTS are **automatically entered** in the Family Event Draw to win \$25 in books for you and \$25 in books for your classroom – the winner will be announced on Tuesday morning!

For every BOOK purchased, students will enter their name in for a draw to **win a movie and treat afternoon** for their entire class!

We accept debit, credit, cash, and cheques payable to WCMS.

#### SCHOOL CLOTHING

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Our exciting new School Clothing is now just a "click" away! Starting next week, our clothing will be available to order online. During Student Conferences there will be a table set up with clothes for you to try on and size for your children. All you will need to do is write down the website and order! There will be a cut off date in order for you to receive the clothing before the Christmas break. **This will be the only time you will be able to order so don't delay!** 

# WARMAN COMMUNITY MIDDLE SCHOOL

## Online Clothing Sale

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#### To order... Go to www.cappos.net & click on Find My Sale Find Warman Community Middle School Use password storm2018

- This sale will be open from November 5th to November 13th.
- Sizers will be available during the above dates.
- Please order carefully, as all sales are final.



