



Woodrow Wilson News

November 2011

Woodrow Wilson School
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2011 - 2012

- Mrs. Bowman Principal
- Mrs. Sweeney, Secretary
- Mrs. Lohnes, Kindergarten
- Mrs. Mikos, Kindergarten
- Miss Sharp, Kindergarten
- Mrs. Ginzel, Grade 1
- Mrs. Dearing, Grade 1
- Mrs. Sosnowski, Grade 1 long-term sub
- Mrs. Couri, Grade 2
- Miss Jeffers, Grade 2
- Mrs. Howell, Grade 2
- Mrs. Antrim, Cross-Cat
- Ms. Cooke, Aide
- Mrs. Barksdale, Literacy
- Mrs. Foster, Interventionist
- Ms. Maxwell, Library
- Ms. Davis, P.E.
- Mrs. Reeb, P.E.
- Mr. Whitman, Music
- Mrs. Berndt, Speech
- Mr. Arity, Social Worker
- Mrs. Uppole, Cook
- Mrs. McClure, Cook
- Mr. Traver, Custodian
- Ms. Matthews, Custodian

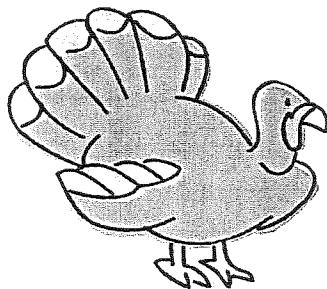


Join Us for Turkey Trot!

Our sixth annual Turkey Trot will take place November 21st!

Turkey Trot is an opportunity for parents to join their child in PE. Parents are invited and encouraged to participate in light exercises, walking, and activities the students will be completing. Of course, you may also opt to simply watch the class instead of participating. Just come on in and join the fun! No advance RSVP necessary...

Don't forget to stop by the book fair taking place!



Turkey Trot Schedule

Please join your child for PE class at the times listed below:

Mrs. Couri & Mrs. Antrim	8:50-9:20 am
Miss Jeffers	9:20-9:50 am
Mrs. Howell	9:50-10:20 am
Mrs. Dearing	12:35-1:05 pm
Mrs. Ginzel	1:05-1:35 pm
Mrs. Mikos	1:35-2:05 pm
Mrs. Lohnes	2:05-2:35 pm
Mrs. Sharp	2:35-3:05 pm



EARLY DISMISSAL

School Improvement Day

There will be early dismissal on Friday, **November 4th** for our District's School Improvement Day.

Dismissal will be at 12:30 P.M.

Lunch will be served.



No School on Friday, November 11th, in honor of Veterans' Day

Thank you for our Freedom!



Thanksgiving Break

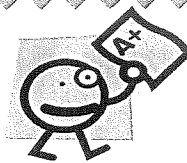
There will be **no school** on Wednesday, November 23rd, Thursday, November 24th, and Friday, November 25th, in observance of Thanksgiving. Please have a safe and wonderful vacation!

Please try to contact the school by 9:00 if your child is ill and will be unable to attend school.

Feel free to leave a message on our answering machine before or after school!



If you have recently changed your phone number, please contact Mrs. Sweeney at 427-5550



MIDTERMS

Keep an eye out, the second midterms will be sent home on Tuesday, November 22nd. Midterms are a great way to keep track of your child's progress throughout the year

Thank You

We would like to thank all of the parents who visited Woodrow Wilson during parent/teacher conferences. We hope you had the opportunity to discuss your child's strengths and weaknesses thus far. If you have not already met with your child's teacher, please contact your child's teacher to set up an appointment.

It's Book Fair time at Wilson



The Book Fair is coming to Woodrow Wilson on Monday, November 21st and Tuesday, November 22nd.

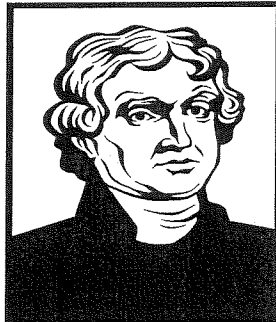
Each class will visit twice... 1st day to look and the 2nd day to purchase.

Many volunteers are needed to make the Book Fair a success! If you can help, please contact Vanessa Hale @ 360-3136.

Watch for more information to come home with your child.

Famous People

Thomas Jefferson



Who is the man on the nickel coin? That is Thomas Jefferson, the 3rd President of the United States. Jefferson was president from 1801-1809. As president, he wanted our country to be free, allow people to have many religions and slavery to end. He wrote the line, "All men are created equal" in the Declaration of Independence of 1776.

He has a man of many talents which included being: an inventor, a scholar that spoke six languages, talented violinist, excellent singer, an architect and the creator of America's dollar and cents money system.

He was well respected as president and did some things differently while in the White House. He served tomatoes and French fries at fancy dinners. He also had many animals where ever he lived, including grizzly bears!

MAP TESTING

On Monday, November 28, all students will begin to take their second round of math and reading assessments. Students took the first round of tests in September. By taking these tests, the teachers are able to monitor student growth and examine classroom data.

Please make sure your child has a good breakfast each day of testing so they are able to do their best!



Three Fun New Ways to Read With Your Child



Finding time in your already busy day to read can be tricky, but with these tips, you'll find squeezing in some valuable reading time to be easy!

1. **Breakfast:** Help your kids get a true "breakfast of champions" by making family breakfasts read-aloud time. Let each person in your family choose a day to bring something special to the table to read.
2. **Bathtub time:** There's more to bath time than rubber ducks! Use this time to squeeze in a quick real-aloud to your kids while they're scrubbing up.
3. **Car Time:** Today's families tend to spend a lot of time in the car. Make the most of this time by keeping a special "book bag" in the car. If you're tech savvy, you could even record yourself reading aloud a favorite book and let your child read along to the recording.



Library Lines

This past month, students have been busy checking out books, reading big books and magazines in the library. Wilson School subscribes to the following magazines: Ranger Rick, Sports Illustrated, Jr. and Zoobooks. Students are not allowed to check these out but can enjoy reading them after check out or if they forget to return their books!

Our library schedule is often adjusted in November and December. Each week, teachers publish the date changes in their newsletter. We try very hard to ensure that students receive their library time each week. Please watch for changes to avoid late fines. Our late fine is two cents a day.

In October, I read the I Pledge Allegiance book by Bill Martin, Jr. and Michael Sampson to all grade levels. We discussed the meaning of the words and how we can apply the pledge in our school and family life.

I also read Nathaniel Willy, Scared Silly by Judith Mathews. This is a story that is retold in several other books. Last year, one of the popular Monarch Book Choices was The Squeaky Door retold by Margaret Read McDonald. I use these books to introduce comparisons and storytelling. Please ask your child about the story of the little boy who is scared in bed and how his grandma helps him by letting the animals sleep with him!

Please join us



District 86 Board of Education Meeting
Tuesday, November 15th
At 7:00 p.m. in the District Boardroom

Wilson Glendale Parent Teacher Club (PTC)

Tuesday, November, 8th
6:00 pm. at Wilson.
YOU are the most valuable part of your child's education. Please come and get involved!

Glendale/Woodrow Wilson Parent-Teacher Club Officers 2011-2012

Mrs. Vanessa Hale, President

Mrs. Marsie Gale, Vice President

Mrs. Michelle Eckberg, Secretary

Mr. Justin Hale, Treasurer

Mrs. Jennifer Cowen, Ways & Means

Mr. David Moechnig & Mr. Jason Cowen, Parent Advisory



Thank you for your continued support of Market Day and Glendale/Wilson Schools. Please remember that you can order online. Pick-up will be held on Thursday, November 17th, from 5:45-6:45 in the Woodrow Wilson gym. Cash, check (made payable to Market Day), and Link Card will be accepted as payment the night of pick-up. Credit card payment is available for online orders only. Your support of Market Day and Glendale/Wilson Schools is appreciated.



It's Getting Cold!

Fall has arrived and winter will not be far behind.

With the cooler temperatures upon us, it is important to send your child to school dressed appropriately for the weather. Most days this means long sleeves, a winter coat, gloves or mittens and a hat. In addition, students should wear socks or tights to keep their feet and legs warm.

Wilson Wise Word for November: Responsibility

What is Responsibility? Responsibility is being dependable and accountable for your words and actions. Responsibility is also doing your best and never blaming other for your mistakes. Being responsible for a job means that you are the one who makes sure it is done correctly and on time.

Let's work hard to be responsible students at Woodrow Wilson!



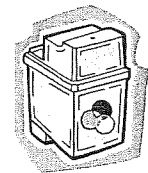
Lunch/Breakfast

Any student that has \$12.25 in lunch charges or \$2.80 for reduced lunch charges will receive, for a period of 5 days, either a cheese or peanut butter sandwich, fruit and milk for lunch. If you feel that you may qualify for free or reduced price meals, and haven't applied this year, please contact the office for an application. Meal fees this year are \$1.75 for lunch, \$.40 for reduced lunch. Breakfast is \$1.00.

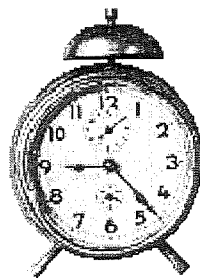
*****Please remember that if your child receives a free/reduced meal, there is still a charge for milk/water with cold lunches. The charge for milk is 30 cents.**

Printer Cartridges

Bring those old, worn-out printer cartridges to school for recycling instead of throwing them out! Wilson has a collection basket in the main office and receives money from a local company which recycles them. Help us earn money for our school by bringing in those empty cartridges!



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME



Sunday, November 6



Please help us collect Post, Bic, and Pop Secret Labels for Education, along with Campbell's Soup labels. This year we will also be collecting Box Tops at Woodrow Wilson. Every box top generates ten cents for our school! The money collected will be put into an activity account to help support our students and programs. Mrs. Bowman has set a goal of \$1,000 for the 2011-2012 school year. Let's work together to try and reach our goal!

Check out our staff pages at www.epd86.org



Fondulac District Library

Gingerbread House Registration

Registration and prepayment are required and are accepted starting **November 5** at the library in the Children's Department for **Gingerbread House Decorating Workshop on Dec. 17**. Registration will end when all houses are sold.

We are doing in-person registration only. (No phone-in or mailed registrations, please.) Because of the workshop's extreme popularity and the limited number of houses, registrants may only register their own household and are limited to a maximum of three gingerbread houses per household.

Teen Cooking

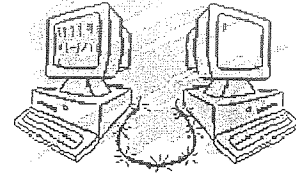
Tap into your inner Iron Chef and whip up something delicious at a free hands-on cooking class for 6th through 12th graders **November 5 at 2 p.m.** We will be making Mexican Fiesta Tacos. Call 699-3917 to register.

Hunt for Hugo

In anticipation of the release of the movie *Hugo*, children ages 7 and up are invited to visit the library **the week of November 14** for a scavenger hunt based on Brian Selznick's Caldecott Medal-winning, illustrated novel *The Invention of Hugo Cabret*.

Story Hours

Story hour sessions continue through November 17. Registration is not required, but the library requests that the caregiver has a valid library card and that the child is the appropriate age.



Computer Connections

For the past month, students have been working on logging in with their user name and password independently. We are seeing steady improvement with speed and accuracy on this skill. Each grade level has been exploring programs to support skill building in reading, math and keyboarding.

Ask your student about: *Type to Learn, Jr., Bailey's Book House, Millies's Math House, Trudy's Time and Place or Paint*. Second grade students have been working in *Microsoft Word*. They created a document about *Spiders* and included clip art in their project.

In November, we will focus on programs and learning objects created by teachers. These lessons are directly related to classroom curriculum. Many of the lessons are results of the Technology Day that has been held in October for the past two years.

East Peoria District 86 provides many educational and fun Web Links for students to explore outside of school. Check out the resources at: www.epd86.org. Go to the Parents section and scroll to the Web Links, there you will find hundreds of grade level choices for your family to enjoy!



Fall Fun in PE



Another month has flown by. In PE students have been doing a great job of following the routines and expectations while we learn and move. Students are assessed in three domains:

Affective: working together with others, staying on task, and learning how to be a good sport

Psychomotor: the ability to move and physically perform skills such as dribbling a soccer ball

Cognitive: the knowledge a student has obtained whether it is facts, understanding or application

Grades of S+ (above), S (satisfactory), and S- (below) are given on each report card for 1st and 2nd graders. This represents the students' performance in PE in all three domains.

During the month of October we have been working on learning how to use our feet to dribble, trap, pass and score goals. We also have spent time on running, exercising, and stretching. Each student performed a series of fitness tests: the pacer, sit ups, flex arm hang, and sit & reach. This month we have taken time to learn that our skeletons provide our bodies with support and protection. Also, we have learned a dance to the song *Monster Mash* and enjoy playing new games such as bowling bingo, treasure hunt, and dash for cash. Ask your child to see what their favorite PE activity is.

~ Mrs. Reeb

Consequences

Lesson Learned

Kids often test boundaries as they grow up and learn to be a part of society. Parents struggle to correct them and teach them appropriate behavior.

I was once chatting with a neighbor about her daughter's chores at home. Like many households, there was a rule that the children are to clean their rooms before going out to play. I noticed her daughter, Jenny, riding her bike with friends across the street and jokingly said, "Her room must be clean." She replied, "It is now because I just cleaned it for her."

I must have looked puzzled because she continued, "I know it's her job, but I just like a clean house and she doesn't get enough time to play with her friends". She rationalized, "So I don't mind picking up for her. I know she appreciates it".

What lesson do you think that teaches Jenny? That she has a wonderful mother (which she has) or that her chores are really her mother's chores? Make no mistake Jenny was learning that there are no consequences for not performing. When Jenny grows up will her boss at her job be that way? Will he let her get away with not finishing her tasks? So is allowing Jenny to ignore rules helping or harming her development?

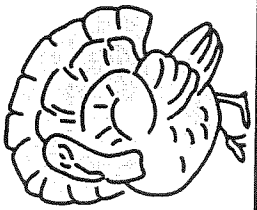
By being allowed to ignore rules, Jenny was being taught that other people will do the things she doesn't want to do. She was learning to develop an attitude that will not help her become a responsible adult.

But sometimes we think we're showing our children that we love them when we spoil them and do things *for* them. It makes us feel good and fulfills our needs. Other times, we want our child to obtain a reward more than they do. But it's not about us. Children should not be used to meet the needs of adults. That's not fair to the child. Rather, adults are needed to guide children to become mature and responsible. This is not an easy task so our will must be stronger than the child's.

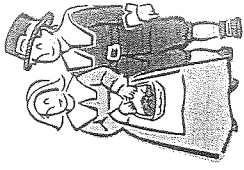
Awhile later, I was talking to this same neighbor who regretted "helping" Jenny. She said Jenny was grounded because when the Mom reminded Jenny to clean her room that afternoon, Jenny replied, "you can do it, can't you? I'm going outside." Lesson learned.


**Patrick Arity,
School Social Worker**

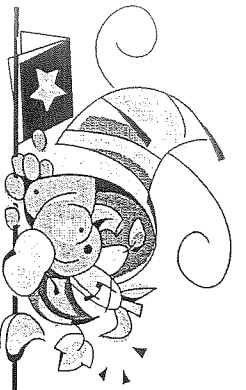
This is the first in a series of articles about behavior issues. Look for additional information in following newsletters. To request other topics for articles send an e-mail to parity@epd86.org or call 427-5131. Your input is greatly appreciated.



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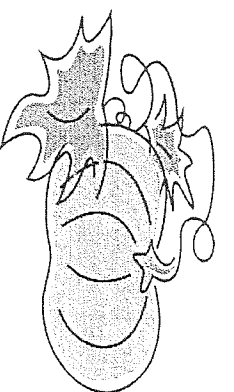



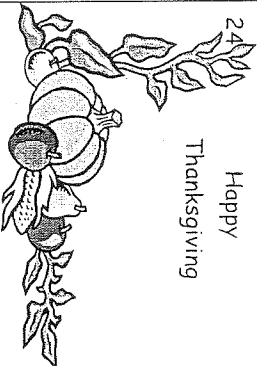
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4 Early Dismissal 12:30 p.m. SIP	5
6	7	8 Glendale/Wilson Parent Teacher Club @ Wilson 6 p.m.	9	10	11 Veteran's Day No School	12
13	14	15	16	17 Board of Education @ CJHS-7:00 p.m.	18	19
20	21 Woodrow Wilson Book Fair Turkey Trot	22 Woodrow Wilson Book Fair Mid-terms Sent Home	23 Special Holiday No School	24  HAPPY THANKSGIVING!	25 Special Holiday No School	26
27	28 MAP Testing Begins	29	30			



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East Peoria Elementary



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7 Hamburger/cheese French fries Green beans Applesauce	8 Bosco stricks Pizza sauce Corn Brownie Pears	9 Chicken nuggets Mashed potatoes/gravy Broccoli/cheese Bread/butter Peaches	10 Stuffed crust pizza Lettuce salad Carrots Fresh fruit	11 No school Veterans day 
14 Popcorn chicken Mac n cheese Peas Mandarin oranges	15 Hot dog/chili Tater tots Baked beans Mixed fruit	16 Tenderloin sandwich Baked chips Corn Baked cinnamon apples	17 Personal pan pizza Lettuce salad Pudding/whip Banana	18 THANKSGIVING DINNER Turkey/stuffing Mashed potatoes/gravy Green beans/dinner roll Pumpkin dessert
21 Mozzarella sticks Pizza sauce Corn Peaches	22 French toast sticks Sausage Pattie Hash brown potato Syrup Juice	23 NO SCHOOL	24 Happy Thanksgiving 	25 NO SCHOOL
28 Corn dogs Nachos/cheese Carrots Cinnamon applesauce	29 Crispy chicken sandwich French fries Baked beans Pineapple	30 Spaghetti Lettuce salad Peas Dinner roll Pears		Menu subject to change
1 Chicken drummie Rice Green beans Biscuit Mandarin oranges	2 McRib sandwich Tater tots Peas Pineapple	3 Spoon taco Lettuce/cheese/Salsa Corn Fresh fruit Cake	4 S.I.P DAY K-5 ONLY Chicken noodle soup Cheese stick/crackers Carrots/dip Rice Krispie treat	