

Literacy Message

Inspire your child to acquire a love of

knowledge and reading.

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School Motto:

Website: www.wes.gcsd.k12.sc.us

Save the Date:

**Grandparents Day September 15, 2016** 

8:15 - 9:30 a.m.

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Waccamaw Tardy Policy

Students are tardy if they are not in the classroom by 7:55 a.m. It is important for students to participate in every aspect of their education, as well as every opportunity extended by our school, such as school-wide work and morning announcements. Excessive tardiness will be addressed by the administration.

School staff members are on duty at 7:20 a.m. to supervise students. **Students and parents should** 

not enter the campus before 7:20 a.m. Parents of car riders may need to adjust their drop-off schedules to avoid being caught in line at the last minute. Please make every effort to have your child(ren) in class before 7:55 a.m.

After 7:55 a.m., the back doors will be locked and parents must drive around to the front of the school and bring their child(ren) to the front entrance.

## **Coastal Carolina University Student**

I would like for you to meet my intern from Coastal Carolina University. Her name is Tajah Myers. She began her studies, at Coastal, on a scholarship to be a member of the Women's Track and Field Team. She began as an Exercise and Sports Science major. During her Sophomore year, she realized the gold medals and rings she was obtaining, on her path to the Olympic team, and the traveling, that was a part of it, wasn't enough to satisfy her burning urge to impact this world...so she decided to rethink her direction and follow her passion to become a teacher. Mrs. Myers will graduate in December by receiving her Bach elor's in Early Childhood Education with a minor in Psychology.

#### **Coastal Carolina University Student**

Hello! My name is Carley Chapman and I am a senior teacher candidate from Coastal Carolina University. I will be interning at Waccamaw Elementary until the end of November in Mrs. Keller's 2nd grade class. I will be teaching students and shadowing as well! I cannot wait for this semester and see where this experience will take me!

# Tuesday, August 30, 2016 k Classrooms

**5:00-7:30** 

## $\diamond\diamond\diamond\diamond\diamond\diamond\diamond\diamond\diamond\diamond\diamond$ **DONORS CHOOSE GRANT**

Waccamaw Elementary has submitted a request for funding for the Accelerated Reader program for this school year. The Neukom Family Foundation has accepted this request and will double every dollar that is donated. Please check at donorschoose.org to donate to this worthwhile program for our students.



State out-of-adoption student textbooks free! Giveaway! Science and Social Studies. Grade 1. 2 & 3. FREE!!

During PTA Open House ) August 30 6-7:30 p.m.

See Mr. Hewes

# **Labor Day Holida**

School Mission Statement: An inquiry based learning school to help children become respectful, knowledgeable, and caring citizens, through cultural understandings by providing developmentally appropriate curriculum in a safe and supportive environment.

## When signing your son/daughter out for early dimissal, please remain in the waiting area. Also when bringing items to your child, they will be called to the front office to retrieve it. Thanks



## **Picture Day** Thursday, September 1, 2016

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#### The Child Development Class of Mrs. Oliver and Mrs. Thomas

We are back with every day and every way learning FUN! Our unit of Friends has been successfully launched and we already know a lot about each other. A very BIG THANK YOU to everyone who helped make our beginning start a great one!!

## Mrs. Maring's and Mrs. Stecz's Child Development Class

We are off to a great start this year! We are learning our routines as well as rules in our classroom. Learning our names is a very important part of the routine and we are indeed busy with this process! We sing songs with our names, we construct our names with blocks, we even create masterpieces with our names! Come visit our room and see our masterpieces!

Kindergarten students are off to a GREAT start!! We are doing an awesome job learning all the new rules and procedures in our classrooms. Make sure to talk with your child about classroom rules and have a home consequence for any undesired behavior. Remember to let your child walk into class by themselves so they can learn how to do it independently. Make sure to read books together nightly as well. Your child will become a reader this year and we need your support at home. Reading books with your child for 15 minutes a night makes a huge difference in your child's reading progress at school. So read, read, read, and don't forget to be on time for school. We begin promptly at 7:55. ©

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* First grade is off to a great start! The students returned to school eager to see friends from kindergarten and meet new friends. We will continue to do activities building classroom community so each student feels comfortable, becomes a valued member of each class' "family" and will enthusiastically participate in activities. We're establishing school rules, as well as, classroom agreements and will continue to work on building classrooms of respect for one another, developing strong work ethics, and celebrating every student's successes. In the first few days, it has been obvious the students will easily reach these goals. The first graders have already demonstrated their willingness to be active learners! During the first weeks of school, we are assessing each student in an effort to accommodate the academic needs of everyone. Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you on August 30th.

Second grade is very excited for the 2016-2017 school year. We are already in full swing with implementing our Daily 5 procedures/routines and doing practice rounds to become better readers and writers. This 9 weeks we will be working hard to launch our rotations. Our goal right now is to build up that stamina in read to self and work on writing so that the teacher will be able to work with students during those independent rotations. In math students will begin with number sense. Please make sure to practice those addition and subtraction facts often! I Parents - don't forget to check the agenda nightly and initial it so that communication stays open. We look forward to a successful year in second grade! ~Second Grade Teachers

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Third graders have been busy learning the new expectations and routines of their classroom. This year will be a shift in learning for the students. In previous years, students have been learning to read. This year students will be reading to learn. Teachers are encouraging students to embrace the challenges of learning and problem solving each day. It is our hope that each student will accept this challenge and bloom into an independent learner who is able to take charge of his/ her learning. We are excited about this year and can't wait to share in your child's personal successes.

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## **Media Specialist**

I am excited to be back at WES as your media specialist! This will be my 14<sup>th</sup> year with GCSD and my 7<sup>th</sup> year as a media specialist. I have also taught 1st and 3rd grades and worked as an Instructional Technology Coach. I taught 1st grade right here at WES before pursuing a position as media specialist at KES in Georgetown.

The Media Center is already hustling and bustling with students checking out books! Parents are welcome to visit the WES Media Center as well and check out additional books. Please visit the WES Library webpage to find out how to sign up for Mrs. Cox's REMIND and stay informed about library news and events including our upcoming Fall Book Fair. I look forward to teaching and learning with the students and teachers of WES this year!



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#### Music Notes

Welcome to WES music! We are so happy that you are here! We have many wonderful and exciting musical activities in store for you for this year! Each grade level will focus on music standards that are appropriate for their musical development! Please keep your eye on the Waccamaw Weekly and the music webpage for dates and events that will be taking place. Please note that all of our performance dates are in the student/parent handbook.

#### Reminders:

\*Waccamaw Strings will begin **Sept**. 6, for those 3rd graders who have signed up. \*Grandparents' Day Sept. 15
\*December 8, 6:30 pm, third grade students will present <u>The Day the Crayons Came</u> <u>Home (for the holidays)!</u>
for our holiday performance. This is a sequel to their first grade spring performance <u>The Day the Crayons Quit!</u>
They have been waiting to present this since 2<sup>nd</sup> grade!

Needs: tissues, blank recordable CD's, Classroom volunteers!! We always need them in the ARTS! We need a weekly volunteer for Thursday and Friday.

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**Broad Educational And Creative Happenings...** 

I am looking forward to another fantastic year of learning in room 211! Third grade B.E.A.C.H. students will come to class on Tuesdays (McCurry, Eggiman, Loftus, Smith) and Thursdays (Thompson, Patterson, Dozier) beginning next week. All second grade students will receive Brain Boosters instruction in their homeroom classes on Mondays which started this week. We are off to a great start!

## PE News

Nice to meet you! I am very happy to be the new physical education teacher at such a wonder elementary school. Please help me ensure that your children are safe by making sure they are wearing proper athletic sneakers on the day of P.E. Also, please contact me if any parents want to volunteer their time to help out during Kindergarten P.E classes. I am looking forward to getting to know each and every one of the great families throughout the community.

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I am trying to promote fitness throughout the community. Anytime you are exercising or playing active games with your children, take a picture of that and either send that picture in with your children, email it to me (rdelbagno@gcsd.k12.sc.us) or post it to social media using the hashtag #wesfitfamily. I will print the picture and post it in the gym broadcasting how fit our children and community members are. Lifetime fitness is important and completing this as a family will be beneficial for all involved. Thank you and I am really looking forward to seeing these action shots.

-Mr. Del Bagno-

## ART LINES

Hello, this is Leesa Meador, art teacher here at Waccamaw Elementary and welcome back for another great year! Its been wonderful seeing all our returning students and getting to know the many new students we have that are just getting started. Things are up and running down here in the art room as we prepare for our Art to Remember Fundraiser. All students in grades K - 3rd will be able to participate and will be creating the art work right here in the classroom. Look for more on that in early October. Also, we have lots of super volunteers signed up to assist in the classroom which is always a blessing to me and the students. Thank you to all the parents and community members who do so much to support the arts here at W.E.S. I'm looking forward to a fantastic year with our students and their families!

## **Calling To Talk To Your Child's Teacher**

## **Parents**

Please call during your child(ren)'s teacher's planning period. The front office staff **will not** put calls through to your child's classroom during the instructional periods.

Planning times are as follows:	<u>Planning</u>	<u>Recess</u>	
Child Development (Mrs. Oliver)	11:30 a.m12:15 p.m.	<b>Recess</b> —9:50-10:00 a.m.	
		1:45—2:00 p.m.	
Child Development (Mrs. Maring)	11:30 a.m12:30 p.m.	<b>Recess</b> —9:30-9:50 a.m.	
		2:00-2:15 p.m.	
Kindergarten	8:50-9:35 a.m.		
1st Grade (Schroer, Hudgins, Eddy, Rogerson & Tadlock)	12:50-1:35 p.m.	<b>Recess</b> —10:25-10:45a.m.	
1st Grade (Funnie, Caswell, Kitowicz & S. Smith)	1:40-2:25 p.m.	<b>Recess</b> —11:30-11:50 a.m.	
2nd Grade (Brown, Baker, Parker-Verner & Guarino)	9:40-10:25 a.m.	<b>Recess</b> —1:00 –1:20 p.m.	
2nd Grade (Keller, Thomas, Rodenbeck & Allard)	9:40-10:25 a.m.	<b>Recess</b> —12:30-12:50p.m.	
3rd Grade (Patterson, Dozier & B. Thompson)	10:30-11:15 a.m.	<b>Recess</b> —12:00-12:20 p.m.	

# August 2016

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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17-First Day of School	18	19-Dolphin Spirit Day	20
21	22	23	24	25	26-Dolphin Spirit Day	27
28	29	30-PTA Open House 6:00-7:30 p.m.	31	<b>September 1</b> -Fall Pictures	September 2 -Dolphin Spirit Day	September 3
September 4	September 5 -NO School Labor Day Holi- day	September 6	September 7	September 8	<b>September 9</b> -Dolphin Spirit Day	September 10

## Monday, August 29

Choose Two: Yogurt, Cereal or Cereal Bowl Sliced Peaches Choice of Juice and Milk

Spaghetti w/Garlic Toast Chicken Salad w/ Crackers Green Beans Spinach and Tomato Salad w/FF Dressing

Spinach and Tomato Salad w/FF Dressing Seasonal Fresh Fruit Frosty Peaches Choice of Milk

## Tuesday, August 30

Pancake
Link Sausage
Mandarin Oranges
Choice of Juice and
Milk

Chicken Fajita
Nacho Salad
Salsa
Corndog
Marinated Black Bean
Salad
Tossed Salad
Seasonal Fresh Fruit
Fruit Cup
Choice of Milk

## Wednesday, August 31

Biscuit
Scrambled Eggs
Applesauce
Choice of Juice and
Milk

Teriyaki Beef Dippers
Turkey & Cheese
Sandwich
Peas and Carrots
Sweet Yellow Corn
Seasonal Fresh Fruit
Mandarin Oranges
Choice of Milk

## Thursday, September 1

Pancake Pups Seasonal Fresh Fruit Choice of Juice and Milk

Chicken Pilau w/Hot Yeast Roll
Chicken Filet Sandwich
Baby Lima Beans
Sweet Potato Fries
Seasonal Fresh Fruit
Sliced Peaches
Choice of Milk

## Friday, September 2

Breakfast Pizza
Peach Slices
Choice of Juice and
Milk

Fish Strips
Popcorn Chicken
Red Rice or Cornbread w/any
Garden Peas
Oven Baked Okra
Seasonal Fresh Fruit
Frosty Strawberry
Cup
Choice of Milk