Weare Middle & Center Woods Upper Elementary NEWSLETTER Issue #11/ January 28, 2022

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As we enter the last few days of January we pass the half-way mark of our school year. While this year has continued to present us with some unique challenges, we are grateful for the support of our community, the faithfulness of substitutes, the innovation of staff and the resiliency of our students. We continue to look at ways to add support for our most struggling students and have seen the vast majority of our community enter our doors ready to learn. We look forward to the second half of this school year being engaging and productive for all.

We continue to have positive COVID cases that are connected to our clusters. We will be under mandatory masking until 2/10. The number of cases has dropped for which we are grateful. We will keep you updated.

Your Admin Team,

Mrs. Hilliard, Mr. Matzke, & Mr. Morrill

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2021-2022 Yearbook orders

The online portal for yearbook orders is now open. Yearbooks are \$30 and must be ordered online through Lifetouch's portal. Click here to reserve your copy and use this code **14317222**.

Calling all 8th grade families!!

If you would like to submit a photo of your 8th grade student to appear in the yearbook, you can scan and send one by email to melissa.boudreau@sau24.org. You can also send a photo to school. Please make sure your student's name is on it so it can be returned. The deadline for submitting a photo is February 4.

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Demonstrating Healthy Habits

Fourth grade health students use the science lab sinks to practice correct handwashing



techniques. Casey Hazzard and Izzy Harder rinse their hands after scrubbing for 20 seconds in hopes that they remove the fake glow germs from their hands. A blue light determines if they are successful.

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Invention Convention is Starting!

The Young Inventors' Program annual Invention Convention is beginning now. Any student interested in creating either an invention or chain reaction machine, should let their homeroom teacher know as they are helping collect information to order the journals. Students will have January and February, including the break, to work on their projects. More information about the 2022 Invention Convention will be posted on Mr. Crabtree's website. Although students have traditionally worked on inventions independently, this year middle school students will have the option to work on their projects during flex, if they wish. Please complete this <u>survey</u> if your student would be interested in optional after school invention help. Workshops can be scheduled based on feedback.

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Unsolved Mysteries

Our 8th grade "Unsolved Mysteries" class is currently working on solving a "Whodunnit" style murder investigation. Students are working in teams to collect and analyze physical evidence from a mock crime scene. They are also conducting interviews around the school to piece together clues from a tangled web of suspects and witnesses. Right now prime suspects include Mrs. Hilliard, Mr. Morrill, and Moose, our therapy dog!



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Superintendent's office hours

There will be two (2) February Zoom Superintendent Office Hours. February 3 @ 6 PM with the focus on teacher contracts in Henniker, Weare, and John Stark. On February 17 @ 6 PM, the focus will be school budgets in Henniker, Weare, and John Stark and full-day kindergarten in Weare

Ask a question, say hello, or just listen via Zoom <u>@https://bit.ly/2Yx51YJOfficeHours</u>
Meeting ID: 821 4229 1994 Passcode: 225191 or Join by phone @ (US) +1 240-623-0475 PIN: 538 949 965#.

SAU 24 Superintendent Jacqueline Coe hosts Zoom office hours on the third Thursday of each month at alternating times of noon or 6 PM. Join her to learn more about what is happening in the Henniker, Weare, John Stark, and Stoddard School Districts.

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Weare School District Board Meeting

February 9, 2022* @ 6:00 Weare Middle School

Please note that each School Board meeting in February will recess at 7 PM for the DELIBERATIVE SESSION: SESSION I MEETING for that District's Proposed 2022-2023 Budget.

The Weare School Board District Meetings are available via live stream at https://bit.ly/SAU24LiveStream. The public may communicate with Weare board members outside of meeting times via email at <a href="https://www.wsu.edu.go.new.go.ne

VOTING DAY: MARCH 8, 2022

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From the Special Education Department

Ever wonder who you could contact other than the school for help understanding the special education process? The Parent Information Center in Concord, NH is a resource available to all! Visit https://picnh.org/ or call 1-800-947-7005

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Notes from the Nurse

If your child has symptoms, these are the steps to follow:

- Keep your child home from school
- Call the school nurse at 529-8015

- Acquire a Covid test. We accept PCR, Rapid, or BinaxNOW home tests.
- Call with results and email documentation: marcia.magdziarz@sau24.org
- Follow instructions from the school nurse for returning to school.

We are continuing to encourage good hand washing, social distancing where possible, and masking.

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NH COVID VAX VAN VISITS NEC CAMPUS IN HENNIKER

The NH COVID Vax Van will be on the Henniker NEC campus (Lyons 105) from 9 am to 6 pm on Monday, January 31. They can provide any COVID vaccination (i.e., first/second shots and boosters) and will have all three vaccine brands (J&J, Moderna & Pfizer).

Only walk-ins are allowed and people should bring their COVID vaccination cards, if they have received prior shots.

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SAU 24 is Hiring!

It takes a community to keep our schools running smoothly. <u>Visit our website</u> to see our job openings. We are always looking for paraeducators and substitutes.

The Weare Bus Terminal is also looking for drivers! On-site job interviews take place every Wednesday from 10 am - 12 pm. Stop by our location for a walk-in interview and tour! 58 Carding Mill Road, Weare 603-529-4744

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PUP Default Plans

WMS/CWUES Pickup Patrol Default Plans

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Upcoming Dates - <u>full calendar can be found here</u>

February 28 to March 4 - No School - Winter Break March 7 - Early Release - dismissal at 11:30

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