



YOUR CHANCE TO ADOPT-A-BOOK

It is not only the start of a new school year at WMS, it's time to revel in all the wonderful new books in the library. This year we ordered 52 needed titles through our Adopt-A-Book program, books for all reading levels, fiction and non-fiction for our cultural curriculum and author studies (Patricia Polacco fans come in and see the TEN new ones). Of those, 20 have already been adopted; many thanks for the families listed below for their generous support.

There are some truly great books still available. For 14.50 you can have a bookplate with an inscription of your choice in one of these books. Kids do enjoy seeing their name in the books. The list is posted on the bulletin board outside the library and on the WMS website.

Check with Elizabeth (elizabeth_varley@wmsde.org) for more information.

Thanks to the DePonte family, the Gulino family, Yvonne Nass, Kate Weymouth, the Yeh family, The Wagner family, Ben & Isabel Snyder, the Dills family, the Connor family, Laura Schmidt, the Widdoss family, and the Ruhl family for all your generosity.

Families, please come in and check out your books to share with your children.

WEDNESDAY WEEKLY

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Sept. 16: Back to School/Curriculum Night
Infant/Toddler/9-12 Program
7:00 p.m., **register for childcare by emailing cass_winner@wmsde.org**
- Sept. 21: International Day of Peace
Welcome Back/Peace Assembly for students
- Sept. 22: Back to School/Curriculum Night
Preschool
7:00 p.m., **register for childcare by emailing cass_winner@wmsde.org**
- Sept. 23: 9-12 Program Overnight
- Sept. 28: Homeroom Parent Meeting
9:00 a.m., Room 26
- Sept. 29: Back to School/Curriculum Night
5-9 Program
7:00 p.m., **register for childcare by emailing cass_winner@wmsde.org**
- Oct. 5: Diversity Advisory Committee meeting
All are Welcome!
6:30 p.m., Library
- Oct. 6: Student Portraits
- Oct. 8: WMS Dance Party
Everyone is welcome!
6:00 p.m.
- Oct. 11-15: Scholastic Book Fair
- Oct. 13: Parent Education Workshop
Judi Bauerline: Living a Learning Community
7:00 p.m., Great Room
- Oct. 14: Book Fair Family Night
6:00 p.m, Gym & Great Room
- Oct. 20: Admissions Open House – Tell a Friend!
9:15 a.m.

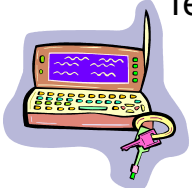


AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM NEWS

Don't forget that Afterschool Special Registration ends this week---don't miss Steel Drum Band, Yoga, Cooking, Technology Club, and more!

We have also officially opened our Extended Care and Childcare Day programs to students from other schools. K-6th Childcare will be offered to these students on days when Brandywine School District schools are closed.

Tell your friends and neighbors that we'd love to have their children for Afterschool, Childcare, or Afterschool Specials!



Contact Cass for more information at cass_winner@wmsde.org or visit the website at:

http://www.wmsde.org/RelId/606502/ISvars/default/After_School_Programs.htm



JUNQUE AND TREASURES SALE Saturday, November 6

For those new to the WMS community or unfamiliar with this event, a few words of explanation. The Junque and Treasures sale is one of WMS's most successful fundraisers. It is essentially a community garage sale, full of goodies and treasures donated by our families and friends.

The sale will be held this year on Saturday November 6th.

To pull this all together, we need lots of volunteers to turn the Great Room into a fantastic "garage" sale stocked with books, clothes, baby items, toys, games, furniture, housewares, etc! The set-up takes place the entire week November 1 – 5, and help is needed each day. As an extra incentive to interest you, lunch and dinner will be served daily to volunteers during the set up week. In addition, on Thursday evening November 4th, there will be a Wine and Cheese celebration ("Whew! We made it!") and a Pre-sale for all volunteers who worked at least 3 hours. On Friday afternoon, the sale is opened up to the entire WMS family. The sale is open to the public bright and early Saturday morning.

If you are interested in helping out in ways large or small, please email Carol Thomson, Junque and Treasures Chair (crthomson3@comcast.net). Be sure to watch the Co-op board for sign ups. This is a great way to get lots of co-op hours in early in the year!

Big News! Now, you can submit your co-op hours electronically – no paper required (well, almost, we still need receipts submitted for purchases)!

Bookmark

<http://wilmingtonmontessori.wufoo.com/forms/wms-coop-report/> to submit electronically. Questions? Contact Lori Oberly at lori_oberly@wmsde.org.

Stay Tuned for EVEN MORE Information!



In October, WMS will launch a new and improved section of the website – a password protected parent portal!

These pages will allow you to get even more information on events, notices, classroom happenings, as well as photos reflecting life at WMS. More information will be coming shortly....

Curriculum Night

Curriculum night is the opportunity for you, as parents, to meet your child's teachers, visit the classroom and learn about the curriculum and classroom activities for the school year. It is a wonderful way for you to start the school year informed and will provide you with insight and information on your child's daily routine and schedule. Preregistered childcare is available by emailing cass_winner@wmsde.org; \$15 for the first child, \$7.50 for each additional child.

Curriculum Nights are scheduled for:

Infant/Toddler/9-12 Program: Sept. 16 @ 7:00 p.m.

Preschool: Sept. 22 @ 7:00 p.m.

5-9 Program: Sept. 29 @ 7:00 p.m.

A Word From Admissions

Limited Space is Available for 2010-2011

Please share the word. We know our best referrals come from you, our WMS families, so please tell your friends to call and visit now.

WMS is accepting applications on a rolling basis.

Contact Theresa Conaty in Admissions (theresa_conaty@wmsde.org) or 302-475-0555.

Problem Solving in Action

Room 18: Thinking like scientists

Room 18 went outside to enjoy the weather last week and immediately noticed a problem in their way. A large rock was in their path; someone could potentially trip and get hurt. The class wants to solve this problem and gets to work brainstorming right away.



There is a rock in our path and we don't want anyone to get hurt



We brainstorm for ideas on how to move this. We try to dig it out, but that does not work.



We decide to use a lever and a fulcrum to move the rock. Michael, our Technology Teacher, helps us.

Success!



Together, we have successfully solved the problem!

Our Mission

Wilmington Montessori School is a collaborative learning community rooted in Montessori principles, inspiring the joyful discovery of self and a passion for learning and independent thinking. We empower children to be knowledgeable and responsible contributors to the global community.

E-mail Wednesday-Weekly@wmsde.org by Friday to submit information and announcements for publication in the following week's Wednesday Weekly. All submissions are subject to modification for space constraints and/or content clarity.