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June
2026
Issue

Empowering all learners to wonder, explore, and grow.

*Whitesville School voters
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the
2026-2027
Budget!
Thank you for
supporting our students!*

*Thank you
voters!*



SUMMER EXPLORATION CAMP

July 7 – August 20, 2026 (No camp on August 4 & 8)

Tuesday's 8:30 – 12:30

Thursday's Field Trips 8:30 until return



Student supplies will be provided for the 2026-27 school year.



Whitesville Central School will be hosting the **SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM** again this year.

Dates: Starting June 29 – Ending August 20

Days: Monday through Thursday

Times: Eat In Program 8-9am and 11-12am

Carry Out Program 9:15-10:45am

Options: Come each day or take multiple meals to go!



From the desk of Superintendent Emery



Dear Whitesville Family,

After much prayer and reflection, I have made the decision to retire from my position as Superintendent of Whitesville Central School. My final day will be July 7, 2026.

This decision comes with a great deal of emotion, but also with understanding that the role of superintendent in Whitesville Central School is evolving and is no longer a full-time position. I believe this is the right time for both myself and the district as we continue planning thoughtfully for the future.

Serving this school and community has been one of the greatest honors of my life. Whitesville is more than a school; it is a family. Together, we have celebrated successes and faced challenges. Over the years, there were times I had to make difficult decisions. Serving as a disciplinarian in a rural community for 18 years is not easy work. Please know that every decision was made with sincere care for school and students. My hope and prayers are, in time, we can move forward remembering the good moments, the successes, the relationships we built, and the positive impact we have made together for children.

I am deeply grateful to our Board of Education, faculty, staff, students, families, and community members for the trust, kindness, and support you have shown me throughout the years. I will forever carry Blue Jay pride in my heart.

I have also shared with the Board my willingness to help in any way I can during this transition to support the district and ensure continued success for our students and community.

As we look ahead, I encourage our community to continue supporting our school, our students and our loyal-dedicated faculty and staff! Your voice and involvement matter greatly, especially when we are planning for the future of Whitesville.

Thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving this incredible community.

With much love,
Mrs. Tammy Emery



After 18 years of dedicated service, we extend our heartfelt congratulations to Superintendent Tammy Emery on her retirement. Throughout nearly two decades of leadership, she has guided our district with integrity, compassion, and an unwavering commitment to student success.

We thank her for her years of dedication and the many positive contributions that will continue to shape our district. Best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement!





Message from
Principal McNeely



Dear Families,

I want to thank you for your continued support and commitment to our school community. Your involvement makes a meaningful difference in the lives of our students every day.

Below are some important dates to keep in mind as we head into summer.

 **Important Dates to Remember**

- **June 15** – *Field Day*
- **June 19** – *No School – Juneteenth (Observed Holiday)*
- **June 22** – *Last Day for Pre-K through Grade 6 – Full Day of School*
- **June 26** – *High School Graduation at 7:00 pm. Andover Central School*

 **Thank You!**

Thank you again for your partnership throughout the year. Wishing you a safe, joyful, and fun-filled summer. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September!

Respectfully,
Mrs. McNeely

Pesticide Use Notification:

School law requires that the District maintain, on a bi-annual basis, a list of parents who wish to receive advance notice of pesticide applications at the school their child attends. To have your name included, a formal written request must be submitted. Forms are available on the school website or can be obtained by contacting the school.

Congratulations to all of our Blue Jays for an excellence Spring Concert performance! A big **Thank You** to everyone who came out to support them!



WHITESVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL

SUMMER EXPLORATION CAMP

THEMES

REPTILES

NATURE

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FARM ANIMALS

SPORTS

BUBBLES

Tuesdays: On-site - 8:30 to 12:30
Thursdays: Fieldtrip Day - 8:30 to ...

STARTS TUESDAY, JULY 7TH THROUGH THURSDAY, AUGUST 20TH
MIDSUMMER RECESS - NO CAMP - AUGUST 4TH AND 6TH



**Look For Registration fliers coming home with our students at the end of May!
We can't wait to WONDER, EXPLORE AND GROW with you!**

Classroom

NEWS



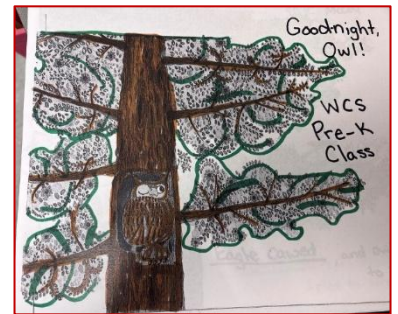
PRE-KINDERGARTEN



Happy Spring from Pre-K at WCS! Our group has been working on kindergarten readiness, exploring, and asking questions with confidence, and an eagerness to learn and grow as Blue Jays together.



Pre-k has been working on a grocery store unit where we have learned who works at a grocery store, how to sort items into departments, the steps involved in shopping, and working with everyday print such as labels, storefront signs, and barcodes that the kids can read and are exposed to in real time. Students have been flooded with new vocabulary that they can use at school and at home! This is reinforced in our weekly vocabulary bags



that students fill and bring on Fridays with an item that uses the vocabulary word of the week. We also have been working on syllables and 3D shapes! In addition, we have been getting outside with our outdoor education program and have implemented some fun activities from Project Learning Tree. We love spring!

-Mrs. McCaig



KINDERGARTEN



The end of the year is upon us in Kindergarten!! We have been busy in ELA learning how to double letters after short vowels and learning about the digraph "ck." We have also been working on reading and writing! In math, we are fluent in addition and subtraction, can count to 100, and can write our numbers to 20! For the rest of the year we are going to continue working on these skills to make sure we are ready for 1st grade!

In Science, we have been learning about plants and what they need to survive. We started our own mini greenhouses with lima bean seeds. We also went around the school and explored different kinds of seeds.





We are looking forward to all the end of the year fun! We have field trips, fun days, and a graduation celebration on the horizon! Kindergarten has been a blast, but we sure are looking forward to 1st grade!



Helping spread the dandelion seeds during our Science "seed hunt."



Seeds we found on our "seed hunt."



Making Earth Day crafts and picking up trash!!



 **FIRST GRADE** 



Happy spring from First Grade! We are so excited to be able to get back outside and enjoy the warmer weather while having lots of fun. As the school year begins to wrap up, we are winding down our curriculum and putting the finishing touches on our first-grade learning.

Throughout the past weeks, students have been busy with many engaging activities. We explored measurement, practiced making new shapes using other shapes, and worked hard on enhancing our writing by adding adjectives and prepositions to make our sentences more exciting and detailed.



Looking ahead to June, we have many fun events to look forward to! Our class is excited about our upcoming trip to Hidden Valley Animal Adventure, Island Park, a splashy water day, and our much-anticipated field day. It's sure to be a wonderful end to a fantastic first-grade year!



FIELD TRIPS



 **SECOND GRADE** 



Second grade has been busy this spring! We just started our last 2nd grade unit in reading on The War of 1812. This is our first unit that is primarily non-fiction texts. With this last unit, spelling words have increased from 15 to 20 words a week. We will continue practicing parts of speech (nouns, verbs, and

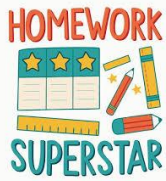
adjectives), apostrophes, and capitalization with proper nouns. We will continue writing opinion and informational writing pieces as well.

In Listening & Learning, we have been studying life cycles. We have tadpoles in class that we are observing, as well as seeds that are germinating. Look for examples of cycles in nature with your child~ you'll be surprised by what your child has learned! We are getting ready to start our next unit on insects. Ask your child what he or she has learned about this topic in the next few weeks!



In math, we have been counting money. Your child should be able to count coins and bills accurately. He or she should also be able to make change for \$1.00. We are going to be measuring in inches and feet next. If you have a ruler, measuring tape, or a yardstick at home, give your child the opportunity to practice this skill.

In science, we are exploring plants and what plants need in order to survive. We are also learning about how seeds travel. We will be moving into erosion and earth's natural materials next. We're very grateful for the nice weather that allows us to explore what we're studying outside of the classroom.



Please continue to complete math and spelling homework weekly and read daily with your child. As the end of the year approaches, please be aware that we will be enjoying 2 field trips~ one to Hidden Valley Animal Adventure and the other to Island Park in Wellsville. More information will be coming soon. Thank you for all you do, and I'm looking forward to finishing the year strong with your children!



THIRD GRADE



In third grade, even though we are getting ever closer to the end of the year, we still have a lot to learn!

We have just finished learning all about fractions – plotting them on a number line, being able to represent a fraction with a diagram, comparing fractions, finding equivalent fractions. Our last math module covers telling time and time intervals, finding perimeter, and different ways to display data.

We just started a new unit in ELA, and it is Miss Stebbins' favorite – Colonial America! We will learn about the first settlements, life in the Colonies under English rule, and events that led to the American Revolution. The last ELA unit of the year will be Ecology. This unit is all about living things and their habitats, including food chains, producers/consumers/decomposers, and protecting our environment.



This year has really flown by! We have enjoyed learning so many new things but are looking forward to Summer and 4th grade in the Fall!



FOURTH GRADE



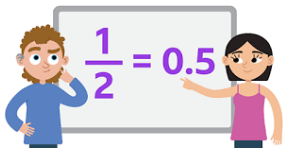
ELA - Over the past month, students have been working hard to prepare for state testing. In ELA, students have been learning about the American Revolution, with a special focus on the cause-and-effect relationships that led to the war and eventually to our country's independence. In class, we



discussed how British actions, such as imposing additional taxes and acts, began to limit freedoms in Boston. Students then connected these events to the Boston Tea Party, the Intolerable Acts, and the growing tension between the colonies and Great Britain.



After reading about these important events, students used what they learned to write cause-and-effect paragraphs. These paragraphs were then compiled into their first five-paragraph essay. This was a lot of work, but the fourth graders were diligent and put forth their best effort to write strong, detailed sentences explaining how the French and Indian War eventually led to the American Revolution.



Math - Students finished their fraction unit, where they learned to compare, add, and subtract fractions and mixed numbers. This learning will support our final unit of the year, in which students will explore the relationship between fractions and decimals.

Before beginning that unit, students have been learning about geometry. In fourth grade, this includes geometric figures such as points, line segments, lines, rays, and angles. Students have been identifying different types of angles, including acute, obtuse, and right angles, and using protractors to measure angles. Some challenge questions required students to use their understanding of angle measures to find missing angles on a straight line or around a point without using a protractor. To finish the unit, students will create a treasure map using the geometry skills they have learned.



Science - In 4th grade, we finished our last full unit of the year, which focused on energy. Students learned that energy always exists and cannot be destroyed. Through hands-on experiments, they gathered evidence to prove statements about energy as true. After these



investigations, students used their new knowledge to explain what would happen if a truck hit a pole. They had to explain how the truck was moving, how energy would be transferred, and what would change if the truck were moving faster or slower. Students will now complete a mini-unit on circuits before finishing the year with the New York State Science Investigation on circuits.



FIFTH GRADE



Even though we are nearing the end of the school year, we have been keeping busy here in 5th grade!

Things we are looking forward to: June 10th: Seneca Park Zoo June 15th: Field Day AND the End of Year Picnic to Trout Run!

Math: We are just about done with Module 5 and have dove into all things volume! Students have learned how to find the volume of right rectangular



prisms with different methods. We are looking forward to learning the foundations of Geometry in the Coordinate Plane.

ELA/SS: We are emerging in life of the Renaissance! Students have been learning about all artists like Leonardo Da Vinci, Donatello, Raphael, and Michealangelo. Sound familiar? =] Student's will be doing different activities, writing an essay, and even painting under their desks.



Science: We have been learning about spheres! Atmosphere, hydrosphere, biosphere, geosphere. Up next, we will be learning all about the stars! Students explore gravity, stars, and patterns in our sky. Throughout the unit, students will be asked to explore how gravity works on a spherical object like our planet, how our Sun compares to other stars, and how we use celestial objects to understand the passage of time. Students will explore these ideas through a series of investigations and applications to their lives. Students will collect evidence from these investigations to build on their overall concepts of space. Finally, students will explore the Sun's motions related to time by building a sundial.



Cooking Club



Students have been very hands-on during the cooking club. We have been continuing to learn how to incorporate vegetables into our cooking, such as adding pepper and onions to our taco meat, and to make recipes that students can make independently at home, like quesadillas. Students will make homemade applesauce using a mill, then can it and take it home to share with families. In our final cooking club, we will use our scientific knowledge to make bagged ice cream to end the school year with a delicious treat.



Ladies Club

The girls are still finishing up sewing their pillows. They have been showing a lot of perseverance in the finer details of this project to make something they are proud of. As they finish their pillows, they will work on their final project of the year: a mini cross-stitch project. The girls are very excited to show off their hard work and effort to their friends and families.

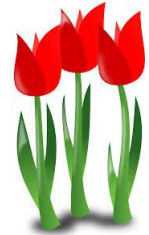


Nature Club

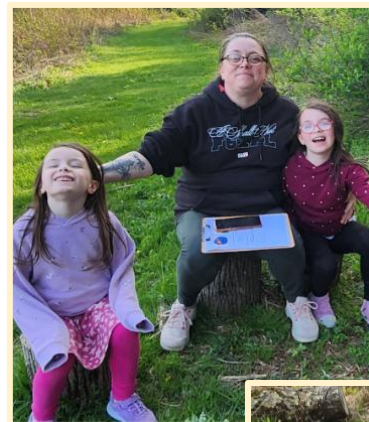
The Nature Club's annual Mother's Day Flower Sale was a huge success! Our Nature Club members worked hard planting potted flowers and creating beautiful carnation bouquets



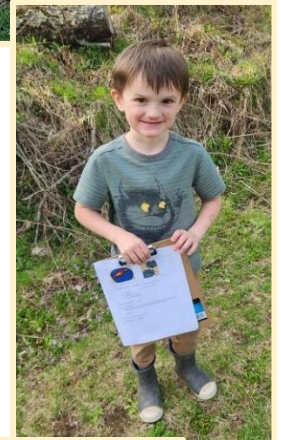
for the event. We hope all the special ladies out there enjoyed their flower gifts! The profits from the sale will go directly back to Nature Club to support future events and outdoor themed activities for our students and families.



PARENTS AS PARTNERS



At the Parents as Partners event in April, students were able to take their families on the WCS hiking trails for a Family Scavenger Hunt. Families documented 'proof' of finding the items and collected nature items to submit. Congratulations to the Lowe family who took the win!





PARENTS AS PARTNERS - SAVE THE DATE

JUNE 11 WILL BE ALL THINGS PARTRIOTIC FOR PARENTS AS PARTNERS
JOIN US FOR RED, WHITE, AND BLUE CRAFTS AND TREATS!

More information to come.



On May 13, our students spent time at the senior citizen center planting flowers and brightening the day for everyone involved.



Whitesville Central School – Important Health Requirements

We want to take this opportunity to remind you of important health requirements for the upcoming school year. Please review the information below and contact us if you have any questions.

Health Examinations (physicals):

- New York State law requires a health examination* for all new entrants and students in grades Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 & 11;
- Every year for students participating in athletics (sports); or
- For working papers as needed

For children that are scheduled for physicals over the summer break, here are a few things to consider:

* Tdap booster is required for children who are 11 years old and going into 6th grade.

* Meningitis vaccination is required for children going into 7th grade.

* Meningitis booster (2nd injection) is required for teens going into 12th grade.

**A dental exam form is also requested at the same time as a grade-level health examination is required.*

Immunizations (shots/vaccines):

- New York State law requires all students entering or attending (including remotely) any New York State school (public, nonpublic, and charter schools) must receive all doses of immunizations required for their grade level in order to attend school. The immunization requirements for each grade level are outlined on [NYSDOH Immunization Requirements for School Entrance/Attendance Chart](#). Students who do not have the required immunizations may not attend school.
- A request for medical exemption to immunization must be completed on this form: [Medical Exemption Statement for Children 0-18 Years of Age \(ny.gov\)](#).

Prescribed & Over-The-Counter Medications

If your child needs to take medications during the school day the school must have the following:

- A written healthcare provider order, (attestation is also required for independent students)
- Written parent/guardian consent, and
- The medication must be brought to the school by an adult. The medications must be in their original labeled prescription or over-the-counter bottles/packaging. Any special supplies or equipment for the nurse to administer the medication must also be provided to the school.

If you would like your child to get medications during the school day such as Tylenol for a headache, TUMS for indigestion, ibuprofen for cramps or muscle aches, etc., please have your doctor send in the medication form for next year so that I can give the medications during the school day. Please note, I cannot give any medications, over-the-counter or prescribed, even if you give me verbal permission, without a doctor's order during school hours. So, if your child uses Tylenol for headache or ibuprofen for cramps, or other things on a regular basis, ask your doctor this summer to fill out the medication form (attached) and fax it to me at 607-356-3539.

You can get any of the required forms from the school nurse in her office. They are also located on the school's website, www.whitesvillesd.org, under Departments, Nurses Office. Most pediatricians have the forms as well.

If you have any questions, please reach out to me at the contact information below.

Sandi Barner, RN
Whitesville School Nurse
Phone: 607-356-3301 x230
Email: sbarner@whitesvillesd.org
Fax: 607-356-3539

AUTHORIZATION TO ADMINISTER MEDICATION IN SCHOOL

I. TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN

Student's Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Grade _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Home Address _____

Phone numbers during school hours _____

I request that the school nurse or designated school official administer the medication as described below by my child's health care provider. **I WILL PERSONALLY DELIVER THE MEDICATION TO THE SCHOOL NURSE, PRINCIPAL, OR DESIGNATED SCHOOL PERSONNEL, IN THE ORIGINAL CONTAINER, OR A DUPLICATE PROFESSIONALLY LABELED BY THE PHARMICIST FOR THIS PURPOSE.** If I cannot deliver the medication myself, I will assign this duty to a responsible adult.

Date: _____ Signature _____

Relationship to student _____

This section should be completed only if the student is in grade 6 – 12, keeps the medication in a locked locker at all times and both parent and prescriber agree:

Due to the severity of their medical condition, this student has been properly instructed in and understands the purpose and appropriate method and frequency of the use of this medication and we consider the student to be responsible. We request the student be allowed to carry this medication on their person or to keep the medication in their locker. (The locker must be kept locked at all times.)

Please note: this request is contingent on the school nurse's assessment.

_____ Prescriber's initials

_____ Parent/Guardian's initials

II. TO BE COMPLETED BY PRESCRIBER

I request that my patient, as listed below, receive the following medication:

Diagnosis: _____

Name of Medication: _____

Prescribed dosage, route of administration, and frequency _____

Time to be taken during school hours _____

Duration of treatment _____

Side effects (to expect) _____

(to report) _____

Prescriber's Name (please print) _____ Prescriber's Phone # _____

Fax # _____

Prescriber's signature _____ **Date** _____

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Department of Health



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for the
2026-2027
School
Year

Summer Immunizations



Upcoming Dates:

- June 23rd
- June 30th
- July 7th
- July 14th
- July 21st
- August 4th
- August 11th
- August 18th

Clinics will be held at the Allegany County Office Building in Belmont, NY

A healthy school year starts here. To get your kids ready for next school year, make sure they are up-to-date on their physicals and required immunizations. This is especially important if your child is starting Pre-K, Kindergarten, 6th, 7th or 12th grade. We now also provide physicals for schools, work, and sports by appointment for a \$60 fee.

For questions about whether your child has the required immunizations or needs a physical, please check with your child's healthcare provider.

You may call us at 585-268-9250
and press 3 for the Clinic
to schedule an appointment.

Lead Testing



Why test?

- Lead testing is an important part of preventive care in your child's early years. Lead exposure can harm a child's growth, behavior, and ability to learn.
- Healthcare providers should complete a blood lead test for Children at age 1 year and again at age 2 years, as well as additional testing for children at risk of lead exposure.
- Testing is especially important if your family moves into a home built before 1978 or completes a renovation project.
- There is no safe level of lead in the body, routine testing helps detect exposure early and protect your child's health and development.

Let us know if you are interested in having your child(ren) screened for lead poisoning, or if you are pregnant and would like a screening.



Scan with your phone camera



We are excited to announce that we will be serving food for the summer at Whitesville Central School for kids 18 and under. Come check out our healthy options that are available and will satisfy their taste buds.

Summer food will be distributed from June 29 – August 20, Monday – Thursday. We will be serving breakfast from 8:00 - 9:00 and lunch from 11:00 - 12:00. We would love to visit with you and hear about how your summer is going as you enjoy breakfast and/or lunch at Café Blue Jay.

We also have a new option this year with Grab-and-Go, offered daily from 9:15-10:45; Monday – Thursday. Parents/Guardians can grab meals for the day or a week’s worth at a time.

We would love to see their smiling faces; we will bring ours too and let us fill their tummies through the summer.

Email Jen at jreisman@whitesvillesd.org or call (607)356-3301 at extension 321 to pre-register your kid(s) and/or any questions you may have. A flyer will be sent home later as a reminder.



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WCS has been approved to participate in Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) - Breakfast and Lunch are FREE this year for all students.

Extra Meal: \$1.50

Everyday Breakfast Choices:

Main Breakfast, Cereal, Toast, Muffin, Yogurt, Oatmeal,

Fruit, Juice & Milk

Lunch is FREE this year.

Extra Meal: \$2.35

Everyday Lunch Choices:

Main Menu, Chicken Patty, Julienne Salad, Cereal, Fresh

Carrots, Fruit & Milk

Must have Money on Account to Purchase:

K-5th Grade morning milk or

Juice \$0.65 each

Snacks \$0.75 each

Ice Cream \$1.00 each



Any Questions or information on accounts, please contact

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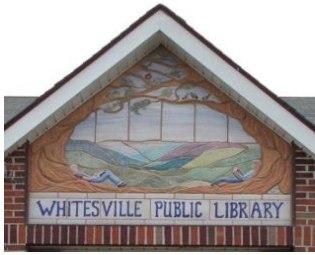
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Jace Woodring Day 1 Assorted Cereal	Liam Cavagna Day 2 Waffles	Giuliana Headman Day 3 French Toast Sticks with Sausage Link	4 Sausage Bagel	5 Cinnamon Roll
WCS Bowl Corn	Walking Taco Black Beans	Tangerine Chicken Rice, Peas	Meatball Sub Mixed Veggies	Hamburger/Cheeseburger Sweet Potatoes
Charlotte Bissett Day 8 Pancakes	Rhett Coleman Day 9 Breakfast on a Stick	10 Cini Mini	Kaleb Stebbins Day 11 Sausage Sandwich	Ryliegh Ford Day 12 Bacon Breakfast Pizza
French Bread Pizza Peas	Tomato Soup Grilled Cheese	Chicken Patty Corn	Soft Shelled Taco Black Beans	Chicken Wing Pizza Carrots
Piper Lowe Day 15 Waffles	Elizabeth Pastore Day 16 French Toast Sticks with Sausage Link	Madelynn Harrison Day 17 Pancakes	18 Sausage Biscuit	19 
Cherry Blossom Chicken Rice, Broccoli	WCS Bowl Corn	Walking Taco Black Beans	20 Hot Dog Baked Beans	21
22 Bagel Bar	23	24	25	26
27 Chicken Nuggets Roll, French Fries				
28	29	30	31	

  **Whitesville Central School**  
June 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 6th Grade Trip to 	5	6
7	8	9 Board of Education Meeting 6:30 PM 	10 Grades 3-6 Zoo Field Trip 	11 Parents as Partners Event 	12	13
14  Flag Day Long may she wave	15 Grades K-6th 	16	17 Donuts for Dad 	18 Last Day of 	19 Juneteenth No School	20
21  Father's Day First Day of Summer 	22 STUDENTS' LAST DAY OF SCHOOL  Kindergarten Graduation 	23 Support Staff Last Day	24 Faculty Last Day 	25 Unused Snow Day 	26 Unused Snow Day Graduation Ceremony 7 PM at Andover Central School 	27
28	29	30	31 	HAVE A HAPPY & SAFE SUMMER VACATION! Don't forget to read some books!		



Whitesville Public Library
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www.whitesvillelibrary.org
whitesville@stls.org

The library has many to recognize and thank in this issue. Thank you to Walt Franklin for coming to the library and reading some of his poems during Poetry Month. Thank you to all who supported our Craft/Vendor Show, vendors and customers. We had some new and some returning vendors. I heard many positive responses from each. Thank you, Marsha Van Vlack, for leading another clay basket workshop, funded by grant funds dispersed by the Arts Council of Wyoming County. Thank you, voters, for supporting our budget, and recognizing the importance of the library in our small town. Also, Gay Thistle and family for the work on our Memorial Day float.

STLS applied for a grant from the Ralph Wilson Foundation on behalf of the Allegany County Libraries. We have received word the grant was approved. We will be purchasing items to add to our Library of Things that encourage activities for individuals and families. Some possible purchases may be camping gear, lawn games and bird watching kits. We will have updates on this in the September Bylines.

We are preparing to “Unearth a Story” this summer. We have many programs and events scheduled for July and August. Please join us for laughs, socializing and learning.

Our fundraisers will be the Annual Gardent Tour and Ice Cream Social. This year the garden tour will include some on the outskirts of town as well as our loyal gardeners in town. Some that had to sit out for one or two years are returning. Under Kay Nagy’s planning we expect 14 gardens to be open for your enjoyment this summer. It will be held on July 25th. Stop at the library for your map and new this yearclues to a scavenger hunt among the gardens. Summer would not be complete without our annual Ice Cream Social. It will be held on the library lawn on August 12th from 6-8 pm. Come enjoy some ice cream, baked goods and visiting with friends and neighbors.

Summer programs include magic, dionsaur lore, reptiles, foam and more. Our highest attended program of 2025. Repco, will be returning with some of their reptiles. We will also have the magic of Fun that Pops, this will include a magic show and balloon making. Also returning will be Cris Johnson and his Foam party. This was a huge hit last year. This year we will have a children’s time and a teen time. Teens will have a chance to play in the foam without worry of knocking children down.

Watch backpacks, Facebook, our web page and the town sign for more information on these and other summer programs and events. .

Dates to Remember:

June

Tuesday, 2 Show & Tell Book Club 5:30
 Tuesday 9 Spanish with Keri 5:30
 Saturday 13 Hot Dog/Book Sale 9-?
 Tuesday 16 Board Meeting 6:00
 Tuesday 23 Spanish with Keri 5:30

July

Saturday 4 Happy Independence Day
 Tuesday 7 Show & Tell Book Club 5:30
 Wednesday 8 Fun That Pops
 Wednesday 15 Rebecca Marlow 10:00
 Allegany Health Story Time 11:00
 Tuesday 21 Board Meeting 6:00
 Saturday 25 Garden Tour 10-2
 Friday 31 Pre-Historic World 10:00

August

Tuesday 4	Dinosaur Adventure	4:00	Friday 21	Foam Party	Children 5-6
Wednesday 5	Tanglewood Nature Center	10:00			Teens 6:30-7:30
Wednesday 12	Ice Cream Social	6-8			
Tuesday 18	Board Meeting	6:0			

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June 4

6th Grade Trip to Hersey Park

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June 9

Board of Education Regular Meeting

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June 10

3rd – 6th Grade Zoo Field Trip

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June 11

Parents as Partners Event

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June 15

K-6th Grade Field Day

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June 17

Donuts for Dad

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June 18

Last day for After-School Program

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June 19

Juneteenth

NO SCHOOL

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June 22

Kindergarten Graduation
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

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June 26

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