

WMS Ramblings

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Upcoming Events

9/14 Field Hockey Home v. Mt. Valley 3:30 A & 4:45 B

9/15 Boy's and Boy's Soccer v. Lisbon 3:30 & 4:30 (Boy's First)

9/16 B Field Hockey @ Spruce Mt 3:30

9/16 Football @ Messalonske 4:00

9/16 A Field Hockey @ Messalonske 7:30

9/17 Cross Country Meet @ Spruce Man. 4:00

9/18 WMS School Picture Day!

9/18 Soccer v Maranacook 3:30 & 4:30 (Boy's first)

9/18 B Field Hockey v Mt. Ararat 6:00

9/18 A Field Hockey V Mt. Ararat (on Turf) 7:00

9/21 A Field Hockey v Telestar 3:30

9/22 Boy's and Boy's Soccer @ Coney 3:30 & 4:30 (Boy's first)



Welcome Back!

We are so excited to see our hallways and classrooms filled with energy once again. Whether your child is returning as a familiar face or joining us for the first time, our entire staff is thrilled to begin this journey with your family. Our teachers have been busy preparing engaging lessons and activities designed to inspire curiosity and a love of learning in every student. We believe that when home and school work together, children thrive, and we're grateful for the partnership we share with each of you. As always, our doors are open, and we encourage you to reach out with any questions or concerns throughout the year. Thank you for trusting us with your child's education. Here's to a fantastic year ahead!

Jay Charette & Joe Burnham
WMS Principal and Dean of Students



Upcoming Events Continued

9/23 A & B Field Hockey @ Gardiner 4:00

9/23 Football v Winslow 6:00

9/24 Boys & Girls soccer v Hall-Dale 3:30 & 4:30 (boy's first)

9/24 Cross Country Meet @ Coney 4:00

Picture Day Ordering Process

Go to: geskusprint.com

Click: Place Your Order

Either sign in with an existing login, or create a new one

Enter the School Code:

6FSALH9T

Enter Your Student's information

Order your photos and checkout!

*Please note that if your child would like to wear a hat during photo day, we will have to take 2 photos. One with a hat, and one without for internal identification purposes.

Parent Pick-Up and Drop-Off

Please note that Buses arrive in the morning at approximately 7:15 am and arrive for afternoon pick up at approximately 2:07 pm. If you are picking up or dropping off a student please be aware that bus traffic may limit your access and ability to move a vehicle through the school entrance lot at these times.

We encourage vehicles that are dropping off or picking up to pull *as far forward along the entrance curbing as possible*. If using the teacher or bus parking lots please ensure that students use the the sidewalks during these times.

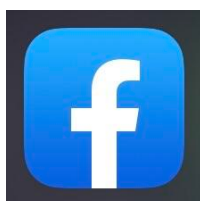
If you get stuck behind a bus, please be patient and DO NOT attempt to pass the bus - simply follow the bus out when it leaves.

In this way we can keep everyone safe during the loading and unloading of students whether on a bus or with family members. Thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.



Special Note to Parents

Next week Tuesday, September 15th Homecoming for the High School begins. Please be aware that the bonfire after the parade is for HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ONLY. Middle school students should not attend and will be asked to leave if they try to participate. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!



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Yearbook Pre-Order now open!

School 26 - 27 yearbook prices are \$32.00 but pre-order the cost is only \$27.00 (for a limited time)

[Click here place your order!](#)

Student Led Conferences

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We will again be doing student led conferences this year, where you will meet with your students connections teacher, and they will go through a presentation that they have created reflecting on the start of their year, as well as their goals moving forward. Please note conferences this year will be in November this year. The dates are Monday November 9 from 2:30 to 5:30 and Tuesday November 10 from 4:00 to 7:00. Sign up will occur at the end of October.

Powerschool

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WMS uses **Powerschool** to track student grades and information. All students have their own login and parent linking information was sent home with students. You can find directions on how to create the account [here](#) and if you need linking information please reach out to school.

What's offered at WMS this year?

Here at WMS we offer more than just the core classes of English Language Arts, Science, Math and Social Studies! We also include Specialty Electives where at the end of the day students are given the opportunity to have some voice and choice. Each Trimester, students will get two electives that they sign up for that will either meet on Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday. Choice include (but are not limited to) American Sign Language, Clay and Pottery, French Language exploration, Outdoor Team sports, STEM, Intro to Drama etc.

We also start each day with Academic Extensions. This period is has a different focus for each grade level. 6th graders start with a digital drivers license (to set them up for success with their individual laptops) and progress into literacy based activities. For 7th grade this is a time to explore deeper topics in their core subject classes. And 8th graders get a chance to have an introduction to classes that are offered at the high school.

Finally, we are continuing to offer Intervention services that mirror what select students received in the elementary school's learning lab. We use student data to identify and target students with specific literacy skills. We are happy to say we were able to add Math instruction to literacy this school year! Students will get extra practice/skill building work that they need to be to be successful learners.

