

## WELCOME TO Emerson-Williams Elementary School

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## FROM THE DESK OF THE EWPTO CO-PRESIDENTS

Dear Emerson-Williams Community,

It's one of our most favorite times of the year! Scarecrows on Main Street, hot apple cider, apple picking, fairs, pumpkin picking and carving, etc.... it's the traditions that we love! Bring on the FALL!

September is always a rush – a time of excitement, routines and multiple activities (both school and sports), and the time just flies by. The 2nd Annual "Tiger Trot" Color Run started us out in September with more than half of the schools' families running/walking in the event. The weather was the perfect temperature and we had many volunteers from the start to end of the event. We are so grateful to all who helped make this day an ongoing event for EW that never fails to produce colorful laughter and smiles amongst all that attend! We would LOVE feedback on how to continue to make this a favorite event for our school community. Any ideas/feedback can be mailed to <u>color.run@ewpto.com</u>.

Our Book Fair brought enchantment throughout the school. As you entered into Emerson-Williams, you felt as though you were in a forest of magical excitement with the wonderful art mural designed by 1st and K parent, Monika Shoham. Her talents are inspiring! Thank you to all who helped put on the week-long event, along with chair, Heidi Dreger – all of your efforts are so very much appreciated. Heidi – we will miss you greatly next year when you continue on your adventures into Silas Deane Middle School.

Dinner on the Lawn is always a favorite, low-key event that is loved by many who attend. Thank you, Colleen Mattatall, for organizing this event and getting it on our calendars! The 'Rents and Ms. Caravella have a great time sharing their love of music for all to listen to while eating and watching kids play and have fun.

October brings in our EW Scarecrow who will be located someplace on Main Street. We thank Melissa Zaparanick, and her family, for helping to keep up our tradition the PTO began three years ago. Stripes can be seen on Main Street encouraging Growth Mindset! Something new this month – an Adult Only Fundraising event! We felt it was time to introduce more community building by getting us together for a fun comedy night event. This is scheduled for October 19th. More information to be sent home soon! For those that love paper fundraisers, we have Yankee Candle/Otis Spunkmeyer Cookies and Butterbraids heading home 10/26(to be returned 11/13). These deliveries are guaranteed to come home and in time for December Holiday Prep!

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# **Collect your Box Tops**

It's that time again!!!! Time to dust off those box tops you've got tucked away, cut along the dotted lines and send them in to school!!! Every box top earns Emerson-Williams 10 cents!! And all the money goes directly back to our school - you can't get much easier than that!!

Box top collection will run from **MONDAY, October 1st to FRIDAY, October 12th.** Please cut out the box tops, tape or glue them to the paper that was sent home - or simply pop them into a Ziploc bag and away they go! (If you really love your PTO - you can write the total amount you're sending in on the Ziploc. If not, we still feel the love!)

Don't have any box tops just yet?? Fear not! We will be doing another collection in March - so plenty of time to cut, stash and hoard! Questions? Email <u>boxtops.committee@ewpto.com</u>.

# 2018-2019 PTO Meetings

Emerson-Williams Upper Media Center at Emerson-Williams at 7:00 p.m.

October 11, November 8, January 10, February 7, March 14, April 18, May 9 & June 6

# **EWPTO Event Calendar**

October I - 12 Box Tops Collection

October 6 - November 4 Scarecrows on Main

October 8 No School - Columbus Day

October 11 EWPTO Meeting 7:00 pm in the Upper Media Center at Emerson-Williams

October 19 (tentative) Adult Comedy Night, 7:00 pm in the Pitkin Community Center

October 23, 24, 25 Half Day of School - 12:55 Dismissal (Parent/Teacher Conferences)

October 26 Fall Fundraiser Yankee Candle, Cookies and Butter Braid sale

**November - TBA** 2018 Battle of the Schools - Scoops and Sprinkles

**November 6** No School - Election Day

**November 8** EWPTO Meeting 7:00 pm in the Upper Media Center at Emerson-Williams

November 12 No School - Veterans Day

**November 13** Fall Fundraiser Due (Yankee Candle, Cookes & Butter Braids)

November 21 Half Day of School - 12:55 Dismissal November 22 & 23 No School - Thanksgiving Recess

**December - TBA** Vendor Fair

**December 3** Puerto Vallarta Fundraiser Night

December 24 - 31 No School - Holiday Recess

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January - TBA UCONN Game

**January I** No School - New Year's Day

**January 10** *EWPTO Meeting 7:00 pm* in the Upper Media Center at Emerson-Williams

January 21 No School - MLK Day

**February - TBA** Family Activity Night or Restaurant Fundraiser

**February 7** EWPTO Meeting 7:00 pm in the Upper Media Center at Emerson-Williams

February 15 No School - Professional Development

February 18, 19 No School - Winter Recess

**February 22** Munson Chocolates fundraiser

March - TBA Family Activity Night

**Box Tops Collection** 

March II Munson Chocolates fundraiser ends

March 14 EWPTO Meeting 7:00 pm in the Upper Media Center at Emerson-Williams

March 19 Half Day of School - 12:55 Dismissal

March 21 Half Day of School - 12:55 Dismissal

April - TBA Mixed Bags Fundraiser

April 8 - 12 No School - Spring Recess

**April 18** EWPTO Meeting 7:00 pm in the Upper Media Center at Emerson-Williams

April 19 No School - Good Friday

May - TBA Poetry Afternoon

May 9 EWPTO Meeting 7:00 pm in the Upper Media Center at Emerson-Williams

May 19 Yard Goats Game

May 27 No School - Memorial Day

June - TBA Strawberry Festival

June 13 Tentative Last Day of School



Have a great idea? Can't make a meeting? Have a suggestion? Go to ewpto.com and click on the "Send Us Your Ideas" button on the right side on the main page. Include your name or send it anonymously.

New to Emerson-Williams? Take a peak at our 'New Parent Information' located on our website. Visit <a href="http://www.ewpto.com/newparents.html">http://www.ewpto.com/newparents.html</a>

Still have questions? Click the 'Contact Us' button on our website, email <u>PTOboard@ewpto.com</u>, or contact the Emerson-Williams at 860-571-8360.

and Empathy

Persisting

Managing Impulsivity

through Grade 6.

3. Culturally Responsive Teaching - For this 2018 - 2019 school year, our staff is interested in learning more about the cultural backgrounds of our students and families. We started as a staff by creating a cool visual map display in our Main

• Striving for Accuracy and Precision

4. Social Emotional Learning (SEL) lessons for Grades K - 2 - This year, for the first time ever, we have a district-wide curriculum (goals / objectives / skills / vocabulary / strategies / lessons) for Social Emotional Learning (SEL) for all students

From the Desk of Ms. Thakur. Principal of Emerson-Williams

Emotional Learning (SEL) for all students in Grades K - 2. These lessons, will be taught by our School Psychologist (Ms. D'Amato), our School Social Worker (Ms. Mierzejewski), and our Speech and Language Pathologist (Ms. Florio), in conjunction with the classroom teachers. There will be 20 lessons per class throughout the course of the school year, each one 20 - 30 minutes in length.

Lobby to show everyone where our staff

members all come from. Teachers may

do something similar with their students.

We have such a beautifully diverse stu-

dent population, and we want to do an even better job of celebrating this, and

learning what we can from one another!

5. New Phonics Instruction Program (from the Teacher's College of Columbia) for Grades K - I (and very soon Grade 2 as well) - (Phonological Awareness is when a child realizes that a spoken word is made up of separate sounds. For example, when they can understand the difference between the word "bat" and "brat.") We have always taught phonics at the lower grade levels, but this is this first time we will now have a uniform program, district-wide.

6. Benchmark Assessment System (BAS) Reading Assessment - District-wide, this is the pilot / training year for Grades K - 6. This BAS Reading Assessment will replace the Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA) next school year. The DRA is still in place for this current school year. However, our teachers will be spending time this year learning how to properly administer the BAS, how to analyze the results, and how to use those results to guide their instruction.

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## **Co-Presidents' Desk continued**

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Our school will be participating in "Read for the Record" – a nationwide event held on October 25th. Students, Faculty and Staff throughout the school will be reading "Maybe Something Beautiful" in both English and Spanish with school-wide activities. Thank you to Autumn Struk, Chrissy Pikos, Fran Schwarzhaupt and Amy Burlingame who decided to come together and split the cost for the needed books for the school.

Enjoy this next month and enjoy all of your fall traditions! We're trying to bring in more of a focus of cultural traditions amongst all of our families. This is so very important and is what makes us all so special. Check out our new "Cultural" section of Tiger Topics for new information monthly!

If you should ever need anything or have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to <u>PTOBoard@ewpto.com</u> or take a look at <u>www.ewpto.com</u>. If you feel that you may have missed a handout, check out the "Digital Backpack" on the PTO webpage – this houses everything that is sent home with your children!

With Kindness and Respect,

Autumn Struk, <u>2yrpres@ewpto.com</u> & Chrissy Pikos, <u>1yrpres@ewpto.com</u> Co-Presidents, EWPTO



At Emerson-Williams Elementary School,

we are off to a great start of our 2018

- 2019 school year! Our students are

already working very hard, and are dem-

onstrating their best behavior every day.

Our teachers are well-rested and energized, and are so excited for a great year

with your children. Over the course of

out to your child's classroom teacher or

I. The Growth Mindset (vs. The Fixed

Mindset) - I strongly encourage you all

to read this important book by Carol

Dweck. It is called Mindset: The New

Psychology of Success: How We Can

Learn to Fulfill Our Potential: Parent-

ing, Business, School, Relationships. In

essence, the concept described in this

book is everything! The staff at Emerson-

Williams will be talking to your children

about this from Kindergarten all the way

2. The 16 Habits of Mind (We will focus

on five of them.) - The 16 Habits of Mind

are very closely related to the Growth

Mindset. Arthur Costa and Bena Kallick

have written extensively about them. We

will only be focusing on five of these im-

portant Habits during this school year:

Listening with Understanding

me if you have any questions.

#### **TIGER TOPICS**

# Get To Know... the Emerson-Williams Elementary School Staff

My name is Rosalia Pulino and I am the new English Language teacher at Emerson Williams. I am extremely excited to join the wonderful team at EW, being our first full-time EL teacher at the school. Before coming to Emerson, I spent the last 16 years with Cromwell Public Schools both as a Spanish teacher and their EL teacher/coordinator for the district. My passion for language started as a child where I too was an EL student having to learn English in the 2nd grade. That spark for learning language carried its way through my education where

I studied Spanish at St. Joseph College. I was fortunate to study and live in Seville and Santiago De Compostela, Spain. I live in Cromwell with my husband Joe, our daughter Madeline and our 9 month old Goldendoodle Kevin!





I am Karen Dalke and am the new Physical Education teacher at Emerson Williams. I have been teaching in Wethersfield for the past 18 years and have taught at every

school in the district except the middle school. This is actually my second time teaching at Emerson Williams; I was here in 2001. I have always loved being part of the Emerson community and am excited to be back! Health and Fitness is my passion, as well as, my career. I have always coached my children's sports and work out daily at a local gym. My favorite fitness activities are kayaking, paddle boarding and swimming. I am moving to a lake this month so I will have greater access to the water activities I love so much. I have two children, Sean and Megan. Sean is 25 years old and was married in August. Megan is 22 years old and graduated college this past May; she is moving to Denver this month. I am very excited to be at Emerson and to get to know all the students and families! If we haven't met yet, please come by and introduce yourself!

# From Ms. Thakur's Desk

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7. Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) - This year, district-wide, our teachers in Grades K - 6 will be learning all about NGSS, and will be working together to create lessons that will encourage students to become more curious about this world around them, and ask questions, and then test out their own theories and hypotheses. Our teachers are very excited about this new way of teaching science, and your children will love it too.

8. District-wide BOE plan to eventually restructure our five elementary schools and possibly SDMS - At this time, there are detailed studies taking place district-wide to analyze enrollment projections, as well as physical buildings. As for enrollment, these are the approximate student populations at this time, give or take a few:

- Hanmer 347
- Charles Wright 324
- Emerson-Williams 433
- Highcrest 450
- Webb 264 (plus an additional 54 for Pre-K)

This study will take a look at how the current school buildings are able to handle these current numbers, as well as what future enrollment projections look like for each school, based on new real estate / apartments / homes under construction or in the initial planning stages. The analysis of the school buildings will help the BOE to create fair priority lists for options such as build as new, renovate as new, removal of a school building, cosmetic renovations, grade six going to SDMS, redistricting, etc. At some point in this process, redistricting WILL happen. This is still several years down the road, and our BOE and I will keep you posted along the way. As of right now, the only step being taken is to closely analyze the enrollment, as well as the physical structures.

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

National Hispanic Heritage Month 2018 in United States of America will begin on Saturday, September 15 and ends on Monday, October 15. This time is important in the Hispanic and Latino community since it also celebrates the anniversary of independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua on September 15. Viva la independencia!!! Mexico, Chile and Belize also celebrate their independence days during this period and Columbus Day (Día de la Raza) is October 12.

## Where do Hispanic/Latino come from?

Today, 57.5 million people or 18% of the American population are of Hispanic or Latino origin. Hispanics have had a profound and positive influence on our country through their strong commitment to family, faith, hard work, and service. They have enhanced and shaped our national character with centuries-old traditions that reflect the multiethnic and multicultural customs of their community.

Many Hispanic Americans trace their roots to the cultures of the indigenous peoples of the Americas -- including the Arawaks (Puerto Rico), the Aztecs (Mexico), the Incas (South America), the Maya (Central America), and the Tainos (in Cuba, Puerto Rico and other places).

Some trace their roots to the Spanish explorers -- who in the 1400s set out to find an easier and less costly way to trade with the Indies. Other Latinos trace their roots to the Africans who were brought as slaves to the New World.

## How did the National Hispanic Heritage Month start?

The observation started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15. It was enacted into law on August 17, 1988, on the approval of Public Law 100-402.

For more information, please visit:

https://www.hispanicheritagemonth.org/hispanic-heritage-month/70-national-hispanic-heritage-month-2018

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## A little something personal about my family...

At the Fuentes household, we celebrate love and tradition. Mom is from Puerto Rico and Dad is from Guatemala. Our children are enriched by a mixture of the Caribbean folklore and Central American culture. Our children are fluent in Spanish and are exposed to traditional music, food, clothing and much more!

Education is a very important to our family since it takes a secondary importance where we come from. Our family are active members of New Dimension Christian Center located in 141 Washington St Hartford, CT. There we congregate with many Latinos from different cultures.

As mentioned we have a mixture in our household – so our plate looks a bit different. We have the typical rice and beans with a twist of tortillas that are loved by Central Americans.

## Share your culture in Tiger Topics and with the Emerson-Williams Elementary School's community.

Like many other schools, Emerson-Williams is made up of students from many different backgrounds. We invite parents, students and staff to share your culture in Tiger Topics. Send your article or questions to <u>Tigertopics@ewpto.com</u>

# **Open Committees**

**Bingo:** Committee members are involved in soliciting prizes, set-up, checking of bingo cards, distribution of prizes, raffle and refreshments.

**Cheer/Teacher Appreciation:** This committee consists of obtaining cards and gifts to recognize events in the life of school staff, and putting together a luncheon for Teacher Appreciation week and small monthly signs of appreciation.

**Community Outreach:** Committee members organize different community outreach opportunities for E-W to participate in. Examples: collection of food, cleaning products, or personal hygiene items. Coordinate with Wethersfield Social Services or other local organization. Occurs sporadically throughout the year as needed.

**Copy Crew:** Individuals who can come into the school and make copies for the entire school on an as-needed basis. Random texts are sent to all members and whoever can make it, can reply to all and volunteer. *Occurs sporadically throughout the year as needed.* 

**Dance:** Committee members create a beautiful dance at our school. Kids invite their Someone Special whether it be a grandmother, grandfather, mother, father, uncle, aunt, or step-parent. *Typically occurs in the Winter or Spring*.

Fundraiser - Holiday Store: This family event provides students with an opportunity to shop for their

family. Committee members shop for gifts, decorate, help students shop, and help wrap purchased gifts. *Typically occurs in November*.

**Fundraiser - Manager:** Research and organize schedule fundraisers for the following school year for the PTO.



Fundraiser - Mixed Bags Designs: A

committee member establishes and runs fundraising project to raise funds for the general PTO fund. *Typically occurs in April.* 

**Fundraiser - UCONN Game:** A committee member works with UCONN to schedule a date and market the event. *Typically occurs in the winter*.

**Fundraiser - Vendor Night:** Committee members plan and implement this fundraising event in which vendors purchase table space for an evening of shopping by E-W families and community members. *Typically occurs in November or December*.

**Poetry Afternoon:** Committee members coordinate with Reading Teacher, Ms. McLaughlin, to help set up the spring poetry afternoon. *Typically occurs in the Spring*.

**TV Turnoff Week:** Committee members organize activities and projects to do during a full week to promote no TV watching for the week. *Typically coincides with National TV Turn Off Week in April.* 

**Website:** Responsible for maintaining and making updates to the PTO website and Facebook page. Behind the scene work includes creating email forwarders, creating SignUp Genius, scanning flyers, inputting events into Google Calendar, and renewing website domain. Looking for volunteer to start next year. Please contact webmaster@ewpto.com for more information.

Please visit <u>www.ewpto.com/committees.html</u> for a full list of committees.

# Trivia

Email your answer to <u>tigertrivia@ewpto.com</u> and you could win an EW magnet. Only email entry please. Winner will be determined on October 31st.

Which subspecies of tigers are not extinct? a) Bengal b) Javan c) Bali d) South China e) Bali

# From the Desk of Mrs. Ciarcia, BSN, RN



# **Head Lice**

A Real Head Scratcher for Parents

Each year approximately 6 to 12 million children between the ages of 3 and 12 years of age are infested with head lice<sup>1,5</sup>. While the odds of your son or daughter developing head lice are relatively small, following is useful information on how to spot and treat this condition.

#### What are head lice?

Head lice are parasites that survive by injecting small amounts of saliva and removing small amounts of blood from the scalp every few hours<sup>1</sup>. Generally found on the scalp, around the ears and at the back of the neck, the adult louse is about the size of a sesame seed and can be a reddish brown color<sup>2</sup>. Eggs, or nits, are smaller and are silver in color<sup>3</sup>.

#### What are the symptoms of head lice?

The most common symptom of head lice is head scratching caused by sensitivity to the louse's saliva<sup>1</sup>, although you may also notice red bite marks on your child's head<sup>2</sup>.

#### How common are head lice?

About one in every 100 U.S elementary school children will be infested with head lice in any given year<sup>4</sup>. Infestation can occur throughout the year, although a peak is generally experienced during summer and back-to-school time periods<sup>3</sup>.

#### How do you contract head lice?

Lice are "equal opportunity" parasites. They infest all socioeconomic groups, races, genders and ages, but are more commonly found in children due to their close contact with each other<sup>1</sup>. While lice are not considered an infectious disease, transmission from one child to another can occur during direct contact or through the sharing of personal items such as hats, helmets, brushes or combs<sup>1</sup>. It is important for you to know that lice are not a sign of poor hygiene and they do not transmit disease. If your child contracts head lice, there is no cause for embarrassment or undue anxiety. By the same token, if someone in your child's class at school develops head lice, there is no reason to panic and automatically assume that your child will "catch" head lice.

#### How do I know if my child has head lice?

Diagnosis of head lice is usually made on the basis of symptoms and confirmed through the identification of a live louse on the head. If your child is scratching his or her head, and you see red bite marks and lice or nits on their scalp, he or she should be examined by a medical professional (such as a school nurse)<sup>4</sup>.

#### How do I prevent head lice?

While preventing head lice entirely can be difficult, parents should discourage their children from sharing

personal items such as hats, helmets, brushes or combs to decrease the likelihood of transmission from one child to another. Children should also avoid head-to-head contact at school and on the playground, and avoid sleepovers and slumber parties during lice outbreaks. Parents can also wash in hot water or dry-clean all recently worn clothing, hats, used bedding, and towels used by anyone having lice or thought to be exposed to lice. Personal care items such as combs, brushes and hair clips should also be washed in hot water.

#### How can I treat head lice?

Traditional treatments for head lice include nit picking with a fine-tooth comb, over-the-counter and prescription products, and home therapies. Nit picking takes time and patience, while many products contain a pesticide that can be neurotoxic when used inappropriately. These products are safe and effective but like all medical treatments, they must be used as directed and with caution by parents. Also, studies have shown that head lice are learning to outsmart many neurotoxic pesticides and are developing resistance to these products, in much the same way that some bacteria have developed resistance to antibiotics<sup>23</sup>. The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) recently approved the first and only prescription medication that kills head lice by asphyxiation without potential neurotoxic side effects.

#### If a child is suspected of having head lice, he or she should be examined by a medical professional (such as a school nurse)<sup>4</sup>.

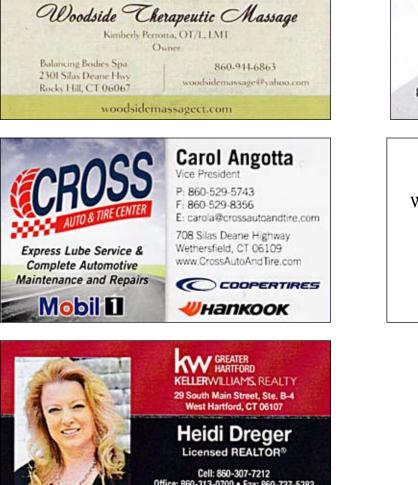
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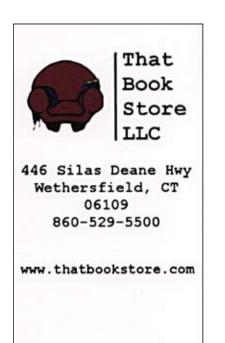
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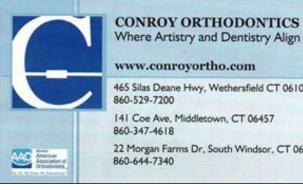
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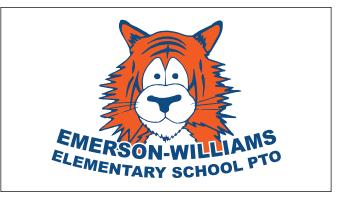
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Fundraising is crucial to our PTO as it helps bring great programs to our school for ALL students. See chart below for donation levels and tokens of thanks for each level of giving. All donation amounts are welcome.

Amount	Benefits		
\$10	Family Membership of PTO		
\$25	Bronze Member of PTO; receive one lanyard		
\$50	Silver Member of PTO; receive one lanyard and one reusable shopping bag		
\$100	Gold Member of PTO; receive one lanyard; one reusable shopping bag & one RAFFLE entry for a \$100 Target gift card		

Being a "Member" of the PTO allows you to vote at PTO meetings as well as know you are supporting a worthy cause and enhancing your child's experience at Emerson-Williams Elementary School. You may also become a member without donating by emailing <u>secretary@ewpto.com</u> and simply request membership.

# Last year the PTO brought these wonderful things to our school:

<u>Events:</u> Color Run, Talent Show, Someone Special Dance, Strawberry Festival, Yard Goats game, Holiday Store, Vendor Fair

School assemblies: High Touch-High Tech, Antonio Rocha, Dr. Dribble

<u>Classroom Enhancements</u>: Alternative chairs (Wobble chairs) for each classroom, magnetic trays and storage boxes for Kindergarten and 1st grade classes books to support the school-wide book club AND 10 copies of each Nutmeg Book Award nominee for the school library (total 100 books)

Please provide the following information to receive your receipt with cash/check made out to EWPTO by 9/21/18:

Family name (all adults in family):		Donation amount: \$		
Student name:	Teacher:	Grade:		

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September 2018

Dear Families:

Throughout the school year, certain days are designated to promote school spirit at Emerson-Williams. Please mark your calendars with the dates provided below for this year's spirit days. Monthly announcements will be made as reminders.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Laskowski Rhea Emmanuel Ann-Marie Moore

Emerson-Williams Student Council Advisors

September 28 - E-W Spirit (school colors - blue, orange, or stripes) October 26 - Think Pink (wear something pink for Breast Cancer Awareness) November 21 - Comfy Day (wear pajamas and/or slippers) December 21 - Hat Day January 25 - Jersey Day (wear your favorite team's jersey/shirt) February 14 - Heart Day (wear red - Heart Association/Valentine's Day) March 29 - Mismatch Day (wear clothes and crazy socks that don't match) April 26 - Wicked Cool Shirt Day May 24 - Red, white and blue Day (for Memorial Day) June 7 - Crazy Hair Day





Wednesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>

# Wethersfield Elementary Schools are participating in National Walk to School Day Wednesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>

Join children and adults around the world to celebrate the benefits of walking. Walk to school on October 10<sup>th</sup>! It's healthy, fun, and great for the environment.

Live too far from school to walk?

Drive part of the distance, maybe to a friend's house, then park and walk the rest of the way!

Walk to School Day is coordinated in the U.S.A. by the National Center for Safe Routes to School. Learn more at walkbiketoschool.org

Bike/Walk Wethersfield is preparing the Town's first Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan and wants your input! Share your thoughts and concerns about biking and walking in Wethersfield.



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