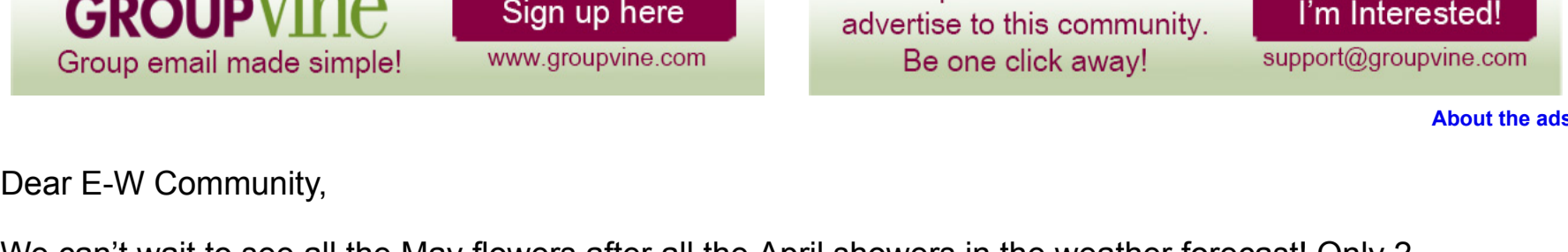


E-W Tiger Tidbits - April 2022 **Register for Picture Day TODAY!**

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Dear E-W Community,

We can't wait to see all the May flowers after all the April showers in the weather forecast! Only 2 months left of school and we'll be on Summer vacation. Can you believe it?!?! That time will fly by in a flash, so we definitely have some work to do before then. EWPTO would like to welcome some new Board Members to our EWPTO Board, nominate some awesome parent volunteers for the WSPC volunteer award, and we hope to sponsor some family fun events, like our Strawberry Festival and the WolfPack game night. We can't do it alone though; we need volunteers to help coordinate events. It takes a village and we know there is someone out there waiting for the right opportunity to volunteer. We're here whenever you're ready! And now, here's some news you can use...

URGENT!!! - Spring Picture Day!!!
TODAY 4/19 is the last day to register your child(ren) for individual school photos for the 4/21 Spring Picture Day! Click the link to register TODAY!

<http://tedmortonphotography.gotphoto.com/login>

Ted Morton Photography
Spring Pictures
Thursday, April 21st

"Please note" Class pictures will be taken.
All children will receive one free class picture so make sure your child is dressed for the occasion.

If you are interested in having your child photographed individually, you can either scan the QR code with your phone or go to the website below to register your child. If you would only like the free class picture you do not have to register your child.

<https://tedmortonphotography.gotphoto.com/login>
 access code: **EW522**

For individual pictures - you must register your child no later than Tuesday, April 19th.

If you have any questions please email us at tedmorton1@yahoo.com

School Nurse Information & Reminders from Mrs. Kathleen Maffuid

- Vision screenings have been conducted for all students in Kindergarten and Grade 1. All students in grades 3-5 will be screened after the vacation week. If you have any questions regarding the screening, please contact the school nurse, Kathleen Maffuid, RN at kmaffuid@wethersfield.me.
- Updated physicals and immunization records for Grade 6 must be submitted to the school nurse by June 1st. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school nurse.
- Scoliosis screenings for Grade 5 girls will begin in May. More information will be emailed to parents in late April.
- Please remind your child to bring a water bottle to school daily especially with the warmer weather approaching. The refill stations for water are available. Thank you!
- Below is information from the CDC's website on Self-testing for COVID-19:

Self-tests for COVID-19 give rapid results and can be taken anywhere, regardless of your vaccination status or whether or not you have symptoms.

When To Take an At-Home COVID-19 Test:

- Test immediately if you have any COVID-19 symptoms
- Test at least 5 days after you were exposed to someone with COVID-19. If you test negative for COVID-19, consider testing again 1 to 2 days after your first test
- Test before you go to an indoor event or a gathering. This is especially important before gathering with individuals at risk of severe disease, older adults, those who are immunocompromised, or people who are not up to date on their COVID-19 vaccines, including children who cannot get vaccinated yet
- COVID home test kits are available for pick up at the school, please contact the school nurse to get kits.

Copy Fairies Needed

Would you like to make copies at school for our teachers/staff or even for the PTO? Do you have time before, during, or after school to make copies? Please let us know if you'd like to help out at E-W and be a Copy Fairy on the Copy Crew. Sign up to help at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044faa82dabff2-copy1> and we'll let you know when we have a need for Copy Fairies. Thanks for your help.

EWPTO Board

Did you know E-W's Parent Teacher Organization has a Board comprised of two Co-Presidents (each a 2-year position), a Secretary, and a Treasurer (each a 1-year position)? Well we do, and we are looking for some new Board Members to fill all of these roles for the 2022-2023 school year. If you are interested in being an EWPTO Board Member, please email nominations@ewpto.com to express interest or ask questions.

To: Emerson-Williams Families
 From: EWPTO Nominations Committee
 RE: EWPTO Executive Board Nominations - [Deadline: 03/29/2022](mailto:EWPTO@ewpto.com)

We are announcing the open call for candidates for the EWPTO Executive Board for the 2022-2023 school year. The Officer openings and a brief description are outlined below:

- 1st Year Co-President:** This is a two-year position. Assist the 2nd year Co-President in running the PTO. This is a two-year position. Assist the 2nd year Co-President in running the PTO.
- 2nd Year Co-President:** This is a two-year position. Assist the 1st year Co-President in running the PTO. This is a two-year position. Assist the 1st year Co-President in running the PTO.
- Treasurer:** This is a one-year position. Keep careful track of the PTO's budget and ensure that all financial transactions are properly recorded and reported to the Executive Board. This is a one-year position. Keep careful track of the PTO's budget and ensure that all financial transactions are properly recorded and reported to the Executive Board.
- Secretary:** This is a one-year position. Take the minutes at each PTO meeting and ensure that all minutes are properly recorded and reported to the Executive Board. This is a one-year position. Take the minutes at each PTO meeting and ensure that all minutes are properly recorded and reported to the Executive Board.

Each Officer must submit a letter of interest to the PTO by the deadline of 03/29/2022. The letter should be sent to the PTO Secretary at EWPTO@ewpto.com. The letter should include the candidate's name, address, phone number, and a brief description of their qualifications for the position. The letter should also include a statement of interest in serving on the Executive Board for the 2022-2023 school year.

When is the deadline? The deadline for nominations is 03/29/2022. Nominations received after this date will not be considered.

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Thank you,
 Nominations Committee
nominations@ewpto.com

Please reply to nominations@ewpto.com by Thursday, 03/29/2022. Thank you.

Strawberry Festival

Please join us for a re-imagined Strawberry Festival and celebrate the (almost) end of another wonderful year at Emerson-Williams! Come enjoy an evening with music, food trucks (Sabores Mexicano Food Truck and Blue Chip Creamery ICE CREAM Truck), Dunk Tank, Games, Raffles. Attendance is free, tickets to raffles and dunk tank are \$1 each. Food can be purchased at food trucks via cash or cards. Bring your chairs and blankets, this is an outdoor ONLY event. No bathrooms will be available.

Join in on the RAFFLE Contest

Hello EV Families!

Exciting news! The PTO will be hosting a Strawberry Festival this year. We haven't had this event in two years, and we are excited to bring back this wonderful event to our community. The date is May 20th from 5-8pm on the E-W lawn. There will be family activities including a raffle, and lots of fun celebrating the end of the school year!

The raffle will be organized by the Strawberry Fest Committee, but we need your help! We are asking each classroom to create a raffle ticket, organized by each classroom's Room Parents, and in a theme that is kid-friendly. The raffle will be held at the Creamery Fest, and raffle tickets will be \$1 each.

To make this more fun, we are creating a contest. The classroom entry with the most raffle tickets (counted post-event) will win a PJ day with extra recess and the classroom teacher will earn a prize, too! (see 30-minute message).

We have asked Room Parents to submit each classroom theme by April 30th to make sure we don't have any duplicate themes, and to collect money for the raffle. Please email raffle@ewpto.com with your theme and money.

In addition to these Classroom Raffle Tickets, the Committee is looking to offer other items such as gift cards to local businesses and restaurants. If you own a local business or have been to something that you would be willing to donate, please reach out to the Strawberry Fest Committee via email to raffle@ewpto.com.

We are so excited to see you at the event and thank you in advance for all you do to support our EV Community!

WPS Incoming Kindergarten Orientation - April 28

Mark your calendars for 2 separate dates for story time on May 25 AND kindergarten orientation on April 28. More details on the flyer in Digital Backpack: <https://www.ewpto.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/Incoming-Fall-2022-Kindergarten-Orientation.pdf>

Do you know a child who will be turning five years old by New Year's Day 2023? If yes, please share this information with their parents. Having kids registered for kindergarten as early as possible helps our teachers and staff plan classroom sizes and teacher assignments. Don't delay! We are very excited to welcome our new kindergartners in the fall. Click the link for up-to-date information and online registration: <https://wps.wethersfield.me/district/student-registration>

Wethersfield Public Schools
 Please join us for a...
School-Based Kindergarten Orientation
 for Parents
Thursday, April 28, 2022 - 6:30 PM

- Meet your school's Principal and other staff members
- Hear from the school nurse regarding health forms
- Staff will discuss policies and procedures
- Take a tour of the school and see kindergarten classrooms
- Speak with your PTO

There will also be an opportunity for your questions to be answered!

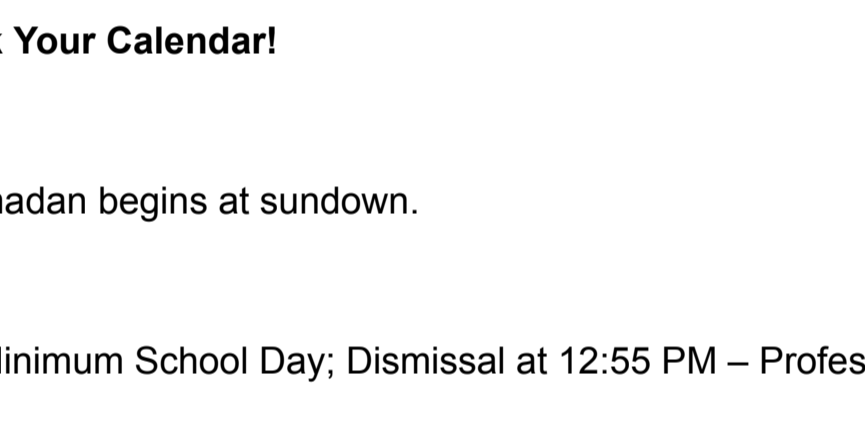
Start Time:
 Parents and their Kindergarten children will be invited to visit their school the week of May 23, 2022. Dates and times will be announced at school-based orientations.

School	Address	Principal	Phone #
John W. Bennett	50 Francis Street	Patrick Casale	860-575-8370
Charles Wright	188 South Street	Glenn Harper	860-575-8350
Emerson-Williams	462 North Rd	Neela Thakur	860-575-8360
Higginson	400 Highland Road	Christine West	860-575-8380
Samuel B. Webb	51 Willow Street	Kenneth Craig	860-575-8340

WolfPack Game - Last day to purchase tickets is Thursday April 21

YES! The pack is back! Join us for E-W Night with the WolfPack on Friday, 4/22/2022 at 7 PM at the XL Center in Hartford. This sounds like a great gift for a birthday or even upcoming holiday. Our E-W community will be in section 108. Click the link below to purchase tickets. For group seating, have one person purchase all the tickets together in one transaction. Hope to see you there! **\$1 of each ticket sold goes back to EWPTO and a portion of the proceeds will be used for E-W Tigers in need of assistance (contact Mrs. Carissa Miller) and would like to join us at the game.**

<https://offer.fevo.com/hartford-wolf-pack-vs-charlotte..>



Important Dates - Mark Your Calendar!

- Saturday, April 2** - Ramadan begins at sundown.
- Wednesday, April 6** - Minimum School Day; Dismissal at 12:55 PM - Professional Development Day
- Wednesday, April 6** - Paraprofessional Appreciation Day (observed annually the 1st Wednesday of April)
- Thursday, April 7** - 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM Wethersfield Schools Parent Council (WSPC) virtual meeting. Contact Colleen Mattatali for meeting link at wspc.committee@ewpto.com
- Friday, April 15** - Passover begins at sundown.
- Sunday, April 17** - Easter
- Thursday, April 21** - Spring Picture Day - Smiles all day!
- Thursday, April 21** - 5:00PM is the deadline to purchase tickets to the 04/22/2022 WolfPack Hockey Game.
- Thursday, April 21** - 7:00PM EWPTO Meeting at school in person in Mrs. Reynolds' 6th Grade classroom.
- Thursday, April 21** for 7:20PM (Note the time change due to sundown) Ramadan Community Dinner in E-W Cafeteria for those that already RSVP'd to Ms. Neela Thakur.
- Friday, April 22** - 7:00PM E-W night at the Hartford WolfPack vs. Charlotte Checkers Hockey Game, XL Center, Hartford, CT
- Sunday, April 24** - Greek Orthodox Easter
- Tuesday, April 26** - 7:00 PM Board of Education Meeting at Town Hall Council Chambers, 505 Silas Deane Hwy, Wethersfield.
- Thursday, April 28** - Incoming Kindergarten Orientation 6:30 PM at E-W
- Friday, April 29** - Tie Dye Spirit Day - Wear your grade level tie dye shirt.

Sneak Peak for May:

- Monday, May 2 - School Principal Appreciation Day observed (annually May 1)
- Monday, May 2 through Friday, May 6 - Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week
- Tuesday, May 3 - Teacher Appreciation Day
- Wednesday, May 4 - Early Dismissal 12:55 PM - Professional Development Day
- Thursday, May 5 - WSPC Meeting 12:00 PM
- Friday, May 6 - Lunch Hero Appreciation Day (Annually the first Friday in May)
- Tuesday, May 10 - Board of Education Meeting 7:00 PM
- Thursday, May 12 - National School Nurse Day
- Thursday, May 12 - EWPTO Meeting 7:00 PM
- Friday, May 20 - Strawberry Festival 5:00 PM on the E-W Lawn
- Tuesday, May 24 - Board of Education Meeting 7:00 PM
- Wednesday, May 25 - Incoming Kindergarten Story Time at E-W 12:30-2:30 PM
- Thursday, May 26 - Field Day (Rain Date: Friday, 06/03/2022)
- Friday, May 27 - Hat Spirit Day - Wear a hat to school.
- Friday, May 27 - Early Dismissal 12:55 PM
- Monday, May 30 - No School, Memorial Day

Enjoy the best of your today, and have a great big beautiful tomorrow!

Leslie Williams, 2nd Year Co-President
 Stephanie Carvalho, Secretary
 Laura Skaparas, Treasurer
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