

# WEST SALEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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It is hard to believe that February is already over. Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on the evenings of March 6th and March 15th. Please make sure to schedule a time with your child's teacher(s). Open lines of communication are critical between home and school. Together we can work to help your child reach their fullest potential.

The Scholastic Book Fair will be open on the nights of our Parent/Teacher conferences. Be sure to check out the teacher "wish list"! All money raised from the book fair will be used for literacy materials and student activities. This is also a wonderful way to expand your home libraries and promote reading.

Report cards for the second trimester will be sent home the week of March 26th. Many of these items will be discussed at Parent/Teacher conferences, however if you have any questions about your child's report card, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

March is a busy time for events at the Elementary. March is youth art month. Our art staff does a wonderful job of promoting the arts and allowing students to explore various media within their art time. Our music department will be holding their spring concerts the week of March 12th. Our first and third grade concerts will take place on the evening of March 12th at 6:15 and 7:15 respectively. The kindergarten and second grade concert will be held at 6:15 and 7:15 respectively on March 13th.

We will be recognizing Read Across America Week the first week in March with a number of fun activities that will help bring school spirit and a focus on the importance of reading. Mrs. Hundt, our school librarian, has done a fabulous job and put in a great deal of work to make this event fun for everyone.

Our third through fifth grade students will begin the state Forward Exam on March 19th. These tests will last about a week for each grade. It is always important, but please help to make sure that your child gets enough sleep the week of their test, that they eat breakfast and lunch, and that they take a deep breath to do their best.

The parking lots are getting better in the mornings, thanks! Keeping our kids safe is our highest priority! It is important that the organization that we are having in the mornings occurs after school as well. Please don't double park or park behind parked cars. It is important to keep a double lane of traffic open so we can move out of the lots safely in the afternoon. Remember that the gate to the south playground opens at 3:00 pm, which allows more parking for pick-up at the end of the day.

Thank you for all that you do for your children, and as always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us! -Ryan Rieber, Principal

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### MARCH

1	GR 5 DARE GRADUATION
2	GR 5 TO COUNTY COURTHOUSE
6	PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES
7	EARLY RELEASE
12	GR 1 CONCERT 6:15PM GR 3 CONCERT 7:15PM
13	GR K CONCERT 6:15PM GR 2 CONCERT 7:15PM
15	PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES
15	GR 4 LA CROSSE SYMPHONY
16	NO SCHOOL
30	NO SCHOOL

### APRIL

2	NO SCHOOL
3	ES SPRING PICTURES
4	ENVIRONMENT DAY
5	GR K & 1 RHYTHMS PROGRAM
27	NO SCHOOL

### MAY

9	EARLY RELEASE
28	NO SCHOOL

## Teacher Assignments for the 2018-2019 School Year



We are in the beginning stages of making classroom placements for the 2018-2019 school year. **Individual classroom teacher requests will not be accepted.** However, you may fill out a **Student Information Form** to indicate concerns or pertinent information regarding your child. The **Student Information Forms** may be picked up in the **Elementary School Office** throughout the month of **March** and need to be returned to school by **Friday, April 6th**. If you have any questions or concerns about classroom placement, please call or make an appointment with **Mrs Gerke**.

## 2018-2019 Elementary Registration for 4K through 4th Grade

We will be having online registration again this year! Online registration will open in August. You will be able to fill out all registration material and make all payments online! If you do not have access to a computer, computers will be available on **Tuesday, August 14th from Noon until 7:00pm** at the elementary school. Please mark your calendars now. August 14th is also the day you can have your school picture taken. Lifetouch will be here from Noon until 7:00pm. We will also have a retake day in September or October if you are unable to make it in August.



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

**PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES WILL BE HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 6TH AND THURSDAY, MARCH 15TH FROM 3:30-7PM. PLEASE WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION TO COME REGARDING CONFERENCE SIGN-UP.**

# Welcome to Summer School 2018

Summer school will be held July 23 - August 10, 2018 for incoming kindergartners through eighth graders from 8:30am to 11:40am.



The daily schedule is as follows:

**8:00-8:25 Student Drop off**

**8:25 Bell**

**8:30-9:20 Class 1**

**9:20-9:50 Student Break/Snack**

**9:55-10:45 Class 2**

**10:50-11:40 Class 3**

**11:50 Buses Dismissed**

**\*NEW THIS YEAR\***

**\*\*Online registration will be taking place in April. Watch for more information on how to sign up your child(ren) via Skyward\*\***

**\*\*Incoming 2nd graders will be attending "On the Road to Second Grade" all three weeks and will remain with the same teacher throughout the entire morning.\*\***

**\*\*Incoming Kindergartners will register for "On the Road to Kindergarten" only\*\***

**\*\*Incoming first graders will register for "On the Road to First Grade" only\*\***

**Buses for summer school will run on main roads only**

**Summer school handbooks and registration information will be coming home late March**

**Swimming lessons will be offered for all levels during the summer months. Swimming lessons will be separate from the three week summer school session but will continue to be free of charge for district residents. Busing will NOT be provided for swimming lessons. The sessions for swimming lessons are TBD.**

**If you have any questions regarding summer school please contact Lisa Gerke, Summer School Administrator at 786-1662 or [gerke.lisa@wsalem.k12.wi.us](mailto:gerke.lisa@wsalem.k12.wi.us)**

## **Spring Music Concerts...**



### **\*Monday, March 12th\***

**Grade 1 at 6:15pm  
Grade 3 at 7:15pm**

### **\*Tuesday, March 13th**

**Grade Kdg at 6:15pm  
Grade 2 at 7:15pm**

**\*\*students should arrive 15 minutes prior to show time for all concerts\*\***

## **Kindergarten/1st Grade Rhythms Program**

**Thursday, April 5th  
6:30am  
Elementary School Gym**

## **JUMP ROPE FOR HEART EVENT AT WSES WAS A SUCCESS!**

On Thursday, February 8th, kindergarten through fifth grade students jumped all over heart disease and stroke by participating in Jump Rope For Heart. The students raised over **\$13,000** for the American Heart Association!!! The funds raised support research and education initiatives that save lives in our community. Way to go kids!!!

\*\*\*Students raising \$15 or more will receive their other monsters and thank you gifts at the end of March or beginning of April.\*\*\*



## **Nurse Notes:**

**It is that time of the year when we have many students needing to change out of wet or muddy pants and socks. Please send an extra pair of pants and socks with your child that can be kept in their locker or backpack. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.**

**The nurse's office is in need of gently used pants. Size 6 through 12 elastic waist pants work well. If you have any to donate, please drop them off in the elementary office.**

## **When to Keep Your Child Home**

- Fever: greater than 100 degrees. For fever and flu symptoms, a student should not return to school until the fever has been gone for 24 hours without the use of medication.
- Vomiting: return 24 hours after vomiting stops
- Diarrhea: return 24 hours after diarrhea stops
- Rash: rash that is open and draining or a rash with a fever
- Contagious Diseases: (strep throat, impetigo, pink eye) A student may return after 24 hours of treatment with antibiotic
- Nuisance Diseases: head lice, scabies, ringworm - must be treated before returning to school
- Chicken Pox: child may return to school 5-7 days after onset of rash, with all sores dry and scabbed over
- Please notify your child's school if your child is absent due to illness or injury.

**Announcing...**  
**The West Salem Elementary School 2017-18 YEARBOOK**

**Our yearbook is planned to include:**

- All color pages that vibrantly capture school memories
- Sturdy soft cover including school name and year imprinted in foil

**Add on any of the following yearbook extras:**

- Zoom, a full-color current events insert that captures the top news stories of the year
- Student's school portrait and name printed on the cover adds a personal touch
  - Autograph insert to share messages with friends
- Fun, repositionable stickers to decorate and personalize yearbook pages

**Please order your yearbook by visiting:**

**<https://ybpay.lifetouch.com>**

**School ID code: 6830318**

**Standard book \$10.00**

Add any extras for an additional price:  
Zoom \$2.00, Personalized Cover \$5.00, Autograph Insert \$1.50, Stickers \$1.50  
Discounted packages shown online.

**Orders due by March 30, 2018**



**Yearbooks**

