

Mar. 6, 2020

## Village School Weekly Update

### PTA News

**Spring Book Fair is Coming!** The Village Spring book fair will run from Friday, Mar. 13 through Thursday, Mar. 19.

- Click here to volunteer and for the class schedule:  
<https://tinyurl.com/villagespringbookfair2020>
- E Wallet is open:  
<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/parent-how-it-works.html?fairID=4436316>
- Here is a sneak peek of the Scholastic Flyer:  
<http://bookfairsfiles.scholastic.com/flippingbooks/S20-custom-booklist/S20-custom-booklist.html#p=1>

**PTA Executive Board** - Are you interested in becoming more involved in the PTA? We are currently looking to fill open board positions for next year. Contact [jessicamorgan1@gmail.com](mailto:jessicamorgan1@gmail.com) if interested.

**Girls on the Run** - Does your daughter like to run? Is she looking to make new friends while being physically active and empowered by other girls? If so, please sign up for Girls on the Run! The program is right after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays and is run by our very own Village teachers and parents!

**5th Grade Beach Blast** - Our 5th grade end of year celebration will be here before you know it! Please contact Kathryn Katz ([kathrynkile@gmail.com](mailto:kathrynkile@gmail.com)) if you are interested in joining the committee.

**Yearbook Party/Field Trip Pictures** - Do you have pictures from your child's holiday party or field trip? Please email us with any pictures at [submit+984635@edophotos.com](mailto:submit+984635@edophotos.com) and maybe they will make it into the yearbook.

**McCaffrey's Receipts** - The Village PTA earns a one percent rebate on the amount you spend at McCaffrey's (minus milk and sushi). Just save your receipts and send them to school. *NOTE: We can only use receipts within three months.*

**Useful links:** [Join the PTA](#) | [PTA Website](#)

## SEPTSA Events & Notices

- Contact Kathleen ([Kkz4@verizon.net](mailto:Kkz4@verizon.net)) for questions. Visit our website [www.WWP-SEPTSA.org](http://www.WWP-SEPTSA.org) to become a member and find out more about SEPTSA.
- **Accepting Volunteers for Next Year** – Further to our announcement at the last SEPTSA meeting, we welcome offers to help in any capacity throughout the year. For officer nominations, contact Sophie Hanstveit ([mjwannabe829@yahoo.com](mailto:mjwannabe829@yahoo.com)) and for other volunteer inquiries contact Kathleen ([Kkz4@verizon.net](mailto:Kkz4@verizon.net)).

**Links:** [WW-P SEPTSA Facebook](#) | [WW-P SEPTSA Website](#) | [Membership Form](#)

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## School News

The life skill that we are focusing on for the months of March and April is **responsible decision-making**.

**Slogan:** I think carefully before making decisions.

**Ask your child about our Question of the Week:** What should you do if someone is unkind to you today? Think about the most positive action you can take to help with this problem.

**Books:** Here are some picture books you can read with your child to help talk about making responsible decisions:

- *What If Everybody Did That?* by Ellen Javernick
- *The Boy Who Cried Wolf* by B.G. Hennessey
- *But It's Not My Fault* by Julia Cook

**Good News:** We are once again able to accept and recycle all colors of plastic bags, wrapping, and films. Thanks to all the families who have been sending in plastic bags to be recycled through our partnership with the Trex company. Keep it coming!

**Tel Safe:** Just a friendly reminder to call the **Tel Safe** line if your child is absent or late to school: 609-716-5200 ext 5210 or use the link below for further instructions:  
[http://www.west-windsor-plainsboro.k12.nj.us/schools/village\\_school/tel\\_safe](http://www.west-windsor-plainsboro.k12.nj.us/schools/village_school/tel_safe)

**WW-P Special Services Middle School Parent Orientation:** Wednesday, Mar. 11, 6 p.m. in the Grover Middle School Library - Parents of students with IEPs who will be 6th grade students in the 2020-2021 school year are invited to attend this information session.

**14th Annual Village School Science Fair:** The Annual Science Fair will be held Saturday, Apr. 4, 2020 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Registration is now open and limited to the first 180 projects. Please click [here](#) for more information and registration details.

**Attention 5th Grade Parents:** Selection of middle school courses for the 2020-2021 school year will take place in your Genesis Parent Portal account. **Online course requests via Genesis must be completed by Mar. 15, 2020.** Directions were emailed and available via the link below. You may also view a continuation of your child's current academic program for the 2020-2021 school year under the "scheduling" tab in Genesis. For special education students, final placement will be determined during the IEP team annual review meeting. Please discuss course options with your child per the [Middle School Program of Studies](#).

#### **Upcoming Dates:**

- Mar. 25 - Village School Math Night, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Join us to experience Math Workshop just like our students do each day.
- Mar. 11 - "Magic of Reading" assembly for PreK
- Mar. 13-19 - Spring Scholastic Book Fair

#### **Around the District:**

- **WW-P presents... spring theater!** [Click here for additional details](#) and ticket information regarding High School South's *Guys and Dolls* (Mar. 5-7), Grover Middle School's *Freaky Friday* (Mar. 13-14) and Community Middle School's *Dorothy in Wonderland* (Mar. 19-21).
- Check out the district [academic calendar](#) for important upcoming dates. The 2020-2021 School Year Calendar is posted on the [district website](#) as is the 2021-2022 School Year Calendar that was approved by the WW-P Board of Education at the Feb. 25, 2020 meeting.

- **GMS's Hands Across the Water Club will hold a [Spring Carnival](#)** on Saturday, Mar. 28 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the Grover Middle School gym. All are welcome, but kids from ages 3-10 will have the most fun! All proceeds will go to the Community Charter School, a school for orphans in the Democratic Republic of Congo. The club will also be holding a clothing drive to benefit the Community Charter School through the month of March. Clothing donations may be dropped off at the Grover Middle School.
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## District Updates

- [District Website](#) | [Academic Calendars](#) | [Event Calendar](#)

## Athletics

- Check out the [WW-P Athletics monthly newsletter](#) with information on spring sports registration, exciting upcoming competitions, and honors achieved by our student athletes.
- Take a look at the [Athletic Department's flyer](#) with contact information and details on our local spring sports programs.

## Counseling and Wellness

- **Parent University:** The next Parent University event will be held Thursday, Mar. 26, 7 p.m. at CMS. The topic is "Understanding Child and Adolescent Anxiety." Click [here](#) to review this year's previous Parent University presentations.
- With rising concern over the new coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak that is currently centered in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China, WW-P continues to carefully monitor the situation and heed guidance that has been provided by state and national health organizations. For more information, please click [here](#).

## Community Education

- Registration for **Spring After-School Enrichment** is now open. [Spring after-school programs](#) are here and spaces fill fast. Do not delay registration! Registration closes Tuesday, Mar. 24, 2020.
- **Extended Day Program** registration is ongoing throughout the school year. [Sign up by clicking here.](#)
- Space is available in the morning and afternoon **Kindergarten Extension!** [Register by clicking here.](#)
- **Upcoming SAT Programs** - Community Education sponsored classes through [Kaplan](#), [Princeton Review](#), and [Lentz & Lentz](#) are offered throughout the school year at High School North and South.

### Community Events

- The Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office presents "[A Parent's Guide to Your Child's Cellphone.](#)" A free and informative presentation that aims to educate parents about internet safety and the dangers of certain phone applications. The presentation will be held at the Middlesex County Fire Academy (1001 Fire Academy Dr., Sayreville, NJ 08872), **Wednesday, Mar. 11 at 6 p.m.**
- In mid-March, homes will begin receiving invitations to complete the **US Census**. Responses may be submitted online, by phone, or via mail. Results will impact the federal funds our communities and our schools receive. For more information on why this census is so important for WW-P children, check out the Advocates for Children of New Jersey's [Census 2020 NJ website](#).
- Are you looking for programs, clubs and things to do around WW-P? Check out the [community events section](#) on the district's website!

### Food Services

- Download the [Sodexo's So Happy app](#) to view nutritional information, allergens, [menus](#) and more.

### WW-P Education Foundation

- [Innovation Fair 2020](#): The Foundation's Youth Committee will hold auditions for **WW-P's Got Talent** at the HS South Playhouse, from Mar. 5 - 7. The district-wide talent show will be held May 16, 2020, and is a fabulous forum for

kids to show off their talents. Acts may include individuals, groups and bands and is open to students in grades K-12! [Click here](#) to register to audition.

- [Sign up to participate](#) in the May 16 [Innovation Fair 2020](#). The deadline to register is Apr. 10, 2020. Participation is open to all after-school clubs, groups and teachers with STEAM activities. Registration is also open for the [Fair's Chess Tournament](#).

### **WW-P Board of Education**

- Check out the upcoming [Board of Education Meeting](#) dates. Agenda and materials for Board meetings are published after 3:30 p.m. the Friday prior to the meeting.

**Make sure to follow the district on WW-P's official social media pages.**

[Twitter](#) | [Facebook](#) | [Instagram](#) | [LinkedIn](#) | [Youtube](#)