
John Dewey Parent Communication
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Upcoming Events

March 2

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March 3

National School Breakfast Week

March 13

Early Dismissal
Pre K 12:45pm
K and 1st Grade 1:45pm

March 14

MIK and MIP Registration Fair
12-3pm

March 17

No School

March 23-March 27

Spring Break

Important Announcement

Everyday boys and girls are leaving their coats, jackets, sweaters, hats, and lunch boxes on the school grounds. Those items without student's names are picked up and brought to our lost and found located inside the cafeteria. During spring break we will be donating any items left in our lost and found. Please be sure to check or have your child check the lost and found by **Friday March 20th.**

John Dewey Parents and Guardians,

Spring is just around the corner! We can definitely see a difference in our scholars this time of year. It is a time of intense instruction, as it is when we have a long stretch without interruption. Consequently, it is also the time when scholars want to be outside and having fun. Please encourage your child to continue to work to his/her fullest potential, even when the work is at its most challenging. We are excited for them to "show what they know," as the school year begins to wind down.

As always, we ask that you pay special attention to information that is coming home in your child's folder. This time of year is filled with fun activities and important dates, and we wouldn't want anyone to miss anything!

As always, please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions. You can reach me at the school office or you can email me at (216) 755-8743 or Adrienne.Clotman@whcsd.org

Educationally Yours,
Adrienne Clotman
Assistant Principal, John Dewey

"One Team, One Vision, One Goal"

Parent-child chats

Regular conversations with your child keep the two of you close— and build her language skills. Here are suggestions for making chats more meaningful.

- Phrase questions thoughtfully. Questions that require more than a one-word answer will lead to more informative answers. Try "What made you laugh today?" rather than "Did you have a good day?"

"Never be limited by other 'people's imaginations", Dr. Mae Jamison- Engineer

●Show you're paying attention. It's easy for busy parents to respond out of habit without focusing on what youngsters are really saying. Instead, look your child in the eye, and stop to consider her words. She'll know that what she has to say matters to you.



March is National Nutrition Month



There's no better way to celebrate the occasion than to begin each day with a good breakfast. Breakfast fuels the body for the challenges of the day. Studies have shown that children who start the day with breakfast are able to learn quicker, focus longer, and do better on tests. Although mornings are often hectic, finding time for breakfast can really make a difference in a student's day. No time to eat? Why not try the breakfast program offered at school each morning? With so many tasty and healthy choices, it's easier than ever to start the day off on the right foot! So take a few minutes each morning to give your child a simple gift that can last for hours. Remember to celebrate the nutrition month by eating breakfast.

March Black History Fact

Most people think of Rosa Parks as the first person to refuse to give up their seat on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama. There were actually several women who came before her; one of whom was Claudette Colvin.

It was March 2, 1955, when the fifteen-year-old schoolgirl refused to move to the back of the bus, nine months before Rosa Parks' stand that launched the Montgomery bus boycott. Claudette had been studying Black leaders like Harriet Tubman in her segregated school, those conversations had led to discussions around the current day Jim Crow laws they were all experiencing. When the bus driver ordered Claudette to get up, she refused, "It felt like Sojourner Truth was on one side pushing me down, and Harriet Tubman was on the other side of me pushing me down. I couldn't get up."

Test Taking Tips for Parents

If you are anxious about your child's test, it's ok but try to keep cool around your child, you don't want them to get anxious about their tests too.

Encourage your child to do well but don't pressure him/her. You may stress him/her out. It is important for your child to stay relaxed for the test.

Mark down test days on your calendar so you and your child are both aware of testing date.

Make sure that your child gets enough sleep on the night before the test.

Ensure that your child eats a healthy breakfast and avoid heavy foods that may make him/her groggy and avoid high sugar foods that may make him/her hyper.