GAZETTE



Our Philosophy

Woodmoor Elementary aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable, and caring young people who are active lifelong learners seeking to create a better more peaceful world.





We start the month of May honoring and celebrating our educators! While this year has been challenging and we have had many different curve balls thrown our way, our educational program never waivers. Students are learning. They are engaged and becoming inquisitive, opinionated, and action oriented. They send me presentations all the time about what needs to be changed and how to make our school better. They are coming up with ideas and suggestions that give me pause. I am excited to see their boldness and agency at work and it is because of the teachers of Woodmoor. Our educators have studied and learned various teaching strategies to encourage students to be risk-takers and inquirers. Teachers are creating learning environments where our students are thriving. For the work they do, day and out, let us all say....THANK YOU!

Opportunities for students to engage in activities that promote inquirybased learning is available over the summer. Woodmoor staff will host a Sylvan Learning Camp. The camp is 1/2 day and open to all currently enrolled students. It will offer hands on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) activities in a fun and collaborative manner. The camp is free and many of the activities are similar to the

family evening science events that we have hosted this spring. To register, please email, bpenn@bcps.org.

We have already started to plan for the 22-23 school year. This is includes holding parent focus group meetings and setting up classes for next school year. Teachers and staff are engaging in an extensive project to regroup students for next year's classes. This includes analyzing students' academic performance, social and emotional needs, as well as peer relationships. Great care is taken in how we group and structure classes. We have had an opportunity to see students in action for an entire year which helps with this carefully designed process. Your opinions and support are valued, however we are not able to take personal request for teachers or classmates. When we group students it is intentional and to support the goal and mission of the school which is develop active, lifelong learners.

In the days ahead, students will complete their annual/end of the year testing which measures our performance for the year. Students will complete End of the Year projects, participate in concerts, and celebrate the conclusion of the 21-22 school year. Continue to review the weekly messages and respond accordingly. We look forward to a successful end of the year.

Your Partner in Education,

Franchesca O. Brown



IN THIS **EDITION**

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

NURSE'S MESSAGE

COUNSELOR'S MESSAGE

UPDATES & NOTICES

CALENDARS

Principal - Head of Schools An IB World School

Message from the School Nurse

Hello families,

This month we will be conducting hearing and vision screening. Hearing & Vision screening are essential tools for detecting children at risk for hearing & vision problems. Timely identification and management of hearing & vision problems can minimize the risk of negative academic consequences for students. Testing will be conducted for all students in grades PreK, Kinder, 1st and 4th. The dates are as follow 5/13, 5/16, 5/17, 5/18/2022 and retest on 5/18/2022. Please reach out if you have any questions to Nurse Brookmyer - 443-849-1359.



Message from the School Counselor Mg. Martin

Hello Woodmoor Families!

As part of our School Counseling Program, your child's class will have the opportunity to engage in a counseling core curriculum lesson during the month of May. The theme for this month is Career. Students in both primary and intermediate grades will have an opportunity to explore and reflect upon a variety of careers and what career(s) may be of interest to them. Intermediate grades deepen the reflection by considering how their personal strengths and abilities connect to various careers.

The one exception to the theme pertains to 5th grade; their April lesson focused on Careers so that their May lesson will focus on transitioning to middle school. The Transition to Middle School lesson explores key differences between elementary and middle school, feelings regarding the transition, and helpful skills to aid in the transition.

It is our hope that the core curriculum counseling lessons will help to promote the social emotional, academic, and career development of our students. We hope that you can help your child reflect on these lessons by discussing their content together. Please feel free to contact me with any questions about the program. I can be reached via phone at 443-809-1318 or via email at amartin9@bcps.org.

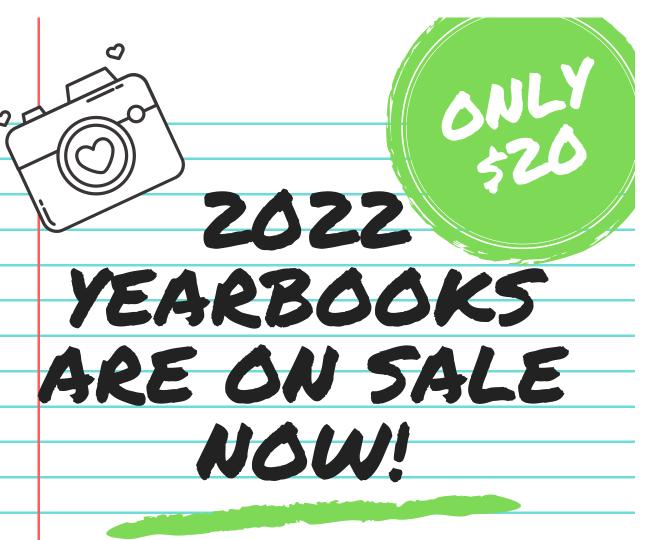
Musically Speaking

Hello Woodmoor Families!

We are looking forward to the Spring Concert on **Tuesday, May 24th at 6:30 pm**. Violin, Viola, Cello, and Bass students should come to the cafeteria at 6:00 pm. Flute, Clarinet, Trumpet, and Percussion students should come to the cafeteria at 6:15 pm. Please be on time!

Your child needs to wear a white top, black bottom, and black shoes. Remind your musician to bring their instrument and music. We look forward to this night of music making.

Thank you! Mrs. Oeur



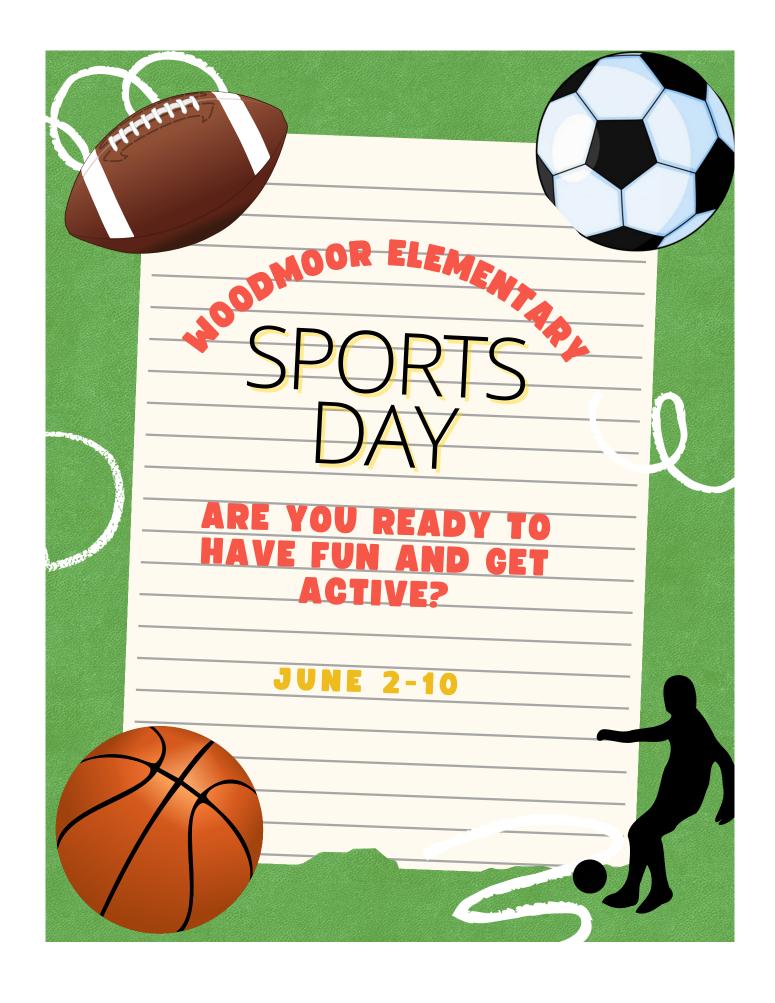
Where? Ms. Lewis' classroom (M7)

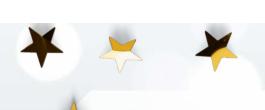
When? Before or after school (until yearbooks are sold out!)

How? Cash or money order (payable to Woodmoor Elementary School)

If you have any questions about ordering your yearbook, contact our yearbook adviser Ms. Lewis at alewis4@bcps.org with the subject line "Yearbook"

Yearbooks will be delivered in the beginning of June.





WOODMOOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRESENTS

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES



CLASS OF 2022

PRESCHOOL - 6/13 PRE-K -- 6/14 5TH GRADE - 6/14 KINDERGARTEN -6/15 Woodmoor Camp!

June 20th 24th 8:30-12:30

Contact: Mr. Penn (bpenn@bcps.org)



Spark a NEW interest in STEM

Woodmoor is proud to offer our students Sylvan STEM programs at no cost! Join our fun, hands-on classes that will get your child excited about the world around them. Get ready to inspire an early love for STEM!

Sylvan's Engineering program have creative challenges that inspire kids to think like real engineers. Imaginations soar with our cool, theme-based programs that have kids creating cool machines and designing super structures.

Engaging, hands-on projects using K'NEX. Collaborating and experimenting with other kids in friendly competitions. Experimenting and problem solving by building, testing, and redesigning. Build confidence with STEM, Your child can expect a small class size and personal attention.

Our 1-week STEM Camp starts on Monday June 20th starting at 8:30am.

To enroll, contact Mr. Penn at bpenn@bcps.org or call (443) 809-1318.

The fun begins June 20th – June 24th 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM No Bus Transportation

Breakfast & Lunch available Kindergarten – 5th grade

Enroll your student(s) now!

GET AN EDGE!

Descubra un NUEVO interés en STEM

Woodmoor está orgulloso de ofrecer a nuestros estudiantes programas de STEM con Sylvan Learning sin costo alguno! Únete a nuestras clases de diversión y práctica que harán que su hijo(a) se emocione por el mundo que los rodea. ¡Inspiremos fascinación orientada a el mudo de STEM!

El programa de Ingeniería de Sylvan tiene retos creativos que inspiran a los niños a pensar como ingenieros reales. Las imaginaciones se desarrollan con nuestros programas temáticos de construcción de maquinarias y diseño de estructuras.

Proyectos interesantes manuales con K'NEX. Colaboración y experimentación con otros alumnos en competiciones y demonstraciones. Experimentación y solución de problemas mediante la construcción, pruebas y rediseño. Crear confianza y interés por las disciplinas de STEM. Su hijo(a) participara en pequeños donde se le dará mayor atención personal.

La Diversión Comienza Nuestro campamento STEM de 1 semana comienza el lunes 20 de junio a partir de las 8:30 am. A 12:30 PM

No habrá transporte escolar

Para inscripción favor de contactar a Brendan Penn al BPenn@BCPS.org o llame al Tel. 443.809.1318.



Epworth United Methodist Chapel DRIVE-THRU ONLY DISTRIBUTION "NO WALK-IN"

NOW EVERY 1ST WEDNESDAY each month

When: Wednesday, MAY 4TH

Beginning at 12 NOON- No registration Note: CARS WILL LINE UP AS EARLY AS 11

THIS WILL BE A DRIVE-THRU ONLY- REAR PARKING LOT

Location: 3317 St. Lukes Lane (at the corner of Liberty Rd. and St. Lukes Lane)



PRACTICE SOCIAL. DISTANCING

Bag(s) will be placed in back seat of vehicle trunk.

2 Corinthians 5:17

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."

Shared Domicile

Families identified as shared domicile MUST renew each year. Complete the documentation and make an appointment to submit the necessary documents.

Fifth Grade Notification

All 5th graders MUST renew their residency as part of the transition to middle school. This important step needs to be completed this school year. Students will not be registered for a BCPS middle school unless this step is complete.

Library News

Hello Woodmoor Families!

Our spring Scholastic Book Fair is happening May 9th to May 13th. Your child will have a designated day and time to shop at the fair. Look for your child's homeroom teacher in the chart below to find out your child's shopping day. On the day your child will shop, you can send money in with your child OR you can give your child a safe, cashless way to shop at the book fair by setting up an eWallet. Click on the link below to learn how to set up your eWallet for a digital payment. Please email Ms. Saks, <u>rsaks@bcps.org</u>, if you have any questions.

The spring fair is "Buy One Get One Free", so your child will be able to get two books for the price of one!!







Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday				
1	2	Schools Closed for ALL Students	Cap & Gown Pictures (K & 5 ONLY) No School for PS & Pre-K	5	6	7				
	National Teacher Appreciation Week									
8	9	10	Shared Domicile & 5th Grade Re-verification	12	13	14				
		PTA Mtg 6 PM			Vision & Hearing Testing					
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15	Open Enrollment Registration 2022 -2023	Shared Domicile Re-verification	MD Food Bank	19	School closes 3-hours early Dismissal begins at 12:25	21				
	Visio	n & Hearing Te	sting							
22	23	Spring Concert	5th Grade Re-verification	Open Enrollment Registration 2022 -2023	27	28				
29	Schools Closed Memorial Day	Shared Domicile Re-verification								





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
				Field	Days	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	Preschool End of Year Ceremony	Pre-K End of Year Ceremony 5th Grade Farewell Ceremony 6:00 PM	Kindergarten. End of Year Ceremony 1/2 Day Dismissal begins at 12:25 PM	Last Day of School! Dismissal begins at 12:25 PM	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		