News from Miss Saxby ~
Williamson Elementary Principal

November is here….hard to believe we are in our third month of the school year! The weather has been wonderful, which has been an added bonus this school year. Students and staff continue to work very hard at school, but we are also enjoying our moments of “fun.” Big Pumpkin Day was a huge success! I would like to send a big thank you to our parent volunteers, Jamie Hale and Erin Genge, for all their organization and work for this special day.

The first report card of the school year will be in the month November. Just a reminder that you will be accessing your child’s report card via SchoolTool (UPK and Kindergarten students will receive their report card at the scheduled parent/teacher conference). If you need assistance with setting up a SchoolTool you can refer to the district website through SchoolTool Info.

With the first report card comes conference time, which is a perfect opportunity to discuss your child’s performance in school, as well as other factors that affect your child’s education.

Here are some tips for parent conferences found at Scholastic.com:

Before the Teacher Conference:
Start preparing early. Don’t wait until the night before to get organized. Create a folder at the beginning of the year in which you store test scores, big homework assignments, and your notes (about things your child has told you or any other topics you want to address).
Talk to your child. Ask how she’s doing in class, what’s going on during lunchtime, recess, and when she goes to special classes like music or gym. You want to find out both the positive and negative.

During the Teacher Conference:
Arrive early. With only a few precious minutes to spend, you don’t want to be late. It will shorten your time with your child’s teacher.
Find out the communication protocol. Don’t let this be the only time you talk to your child’s teacher.

After the Teacher Conference:
Follow up. If the teacher brings something to your attention that needs to be addressed with your child, take steps to put the plan in motion.
Update your child. Start with the positive things her teacher had to say, then fill her in on any concerns you and the teacher discussed. Explain how you can all work together to ensure your child has a successful year.

Together we hope to make 2021-2022 a great school year!

Miss Ellen Saxby
Williamson Elementary Principal

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From Mrs. Colling, Assistant Principal...

Hello families!

When I picture my ideal school community, it is probably one in which all of the players are active participants in making sure students get the best education possible. There would be bright-eyed children with smiling faces, of course, as well as smart, caring teachers who always go the extra mile. There would also be regular, open communication between families and school. Extensive research has shown that students with involved parents do better in school. When schools reach out to parents and parents are committed to helping students learn, studies have found that attendance, grades, and test scores all go up. Family interest and encouragement in their child’s education can positively affect the child’s attitude toward school, classroom conduct, self-esteem, and motivation.

At Williamson Elementary, we strive to communicate frequently with families. We understand that families are extremely busy and fortunately, modern technology provides plenty of ways to stay informed. One of our main ways to stay connected at WES is via Schoology. Schoology is an online learning and social networking platform that improves educational outcomes through better communication, collaboration, and increased access to curriculum and supplemental content.

Schoology offers many ways for families to stay connected. You can access Schoology on your computer or download the Schoology app to your mobile device. You even have the ability to enable notifications to receive either daily or weekly summaries of your student’s progress! If you need an access code to join Schoology, please contact your child’s teacher. If you would like assistance with Schoology, feel free to call or send me an email at kcolling@williamsoncentral.org.
**Important Dates**
Veterans Day - No School November 11
Report Cards Available November 17
Parent/Teacher Conferences November 18
Thanksgiving Recess - No School Nov. 24-26
Parent/Teacher Conferences Dec. 1 & 7
*** 12:10 DISMISSAL ***
Holiday Recess - No School Dec. 23-Jan. 1

**School Lunch Program**
Reminder that breakfast and lunch are FREE to all students, pre-k through grade 12 through the end of the school year! If you have any questions, call Mrs. VanStrien at 315.589.9621 x5.

**Student Pick-up Requests** for during the day and at dismissal, as well as any attendance reporting, need to be emailed to: wesattendance@williamsoncentral.org
Be sure to include the pick-up time in the email. If you need to pick up your student late in the day, please pick them up **BEFORE** 2:45 pm to eliminate any confusion at dismissal time.

------------- REMINDER -------------

**ALL** emails/notes regarding attendance, early dismissals and end of day pick-ups **must be sent to** wesattendance@williamsoncentral.org
Sending the notice to this email notifies the attendance office and the main office at the same time.

**Bundle Up!**
Playground continues throughout the winter months whenever possible. Starting November 1, students must dress for cold weather. **Please label ALL clothing** with your child's name. When weather is severe, we will keep all students in. Please note winter clothing requirements:

* Gloves or mittens
* Hat/hood (ears must be covered)
* Boots
* Coat or snowsuit
* Snow pants or second pair of pants

**Parent/Teacher Conferences**
Time is set aside each year for parent/teacher conferences. This year's conference days are November 18, December 1 and December 7. If you have a conference scheduled and find you cannot keep it, please call the school at 315-589-9668 so that the office can notify the teacher. If you are not contacted for a conference and you want to schedule one, please call the teacher or send in a note and they will be happy to meet with you.
Health Office Reminders
If your child needs to take medication while in school, even non-prescription medication, the school nurse needs orders from the doctor and a request from the parent. Never send any medication to school with your child. An adult must bring in medication, in a properly labeled bottle. Please call prior to dropping medication off at school.

It is officially the start of flu season and it is not too late for FLU (Influenza) shots. The CDC recommends all children 6 months of age and older to receive the vaccine. Please contact your child’s pediatrician to schedule an appointment.

Emergency Closings
There may be times when it is necessary to close school due to adverse weather or other emergencies. If the determination to close is made before the opening of school in the morning, local radio station WHAM (1180) will carry notifications of the closing. This station will also be notified if conditions dictate an emergency early closing. You will get a notification to your primary telephone number using our ParentSquare system if we are able to do so. We are unable to make individual phone calls to parents/guardians.

Should school close early for emergency reasons, we need to be sure that each child knows where he or she is to go. Again, we are unable to make individual phone calls to parents/guardians.

Emergency Evacuation Information
If schools within the 10 mile Emergency Planning Zone (EPZ) are ordered to evacuate, children attending the Williamson Central School District would be sent to the receiving location of the Newark High School. Wayne County is divided into seven (7) Emergency Response Planning Areas (ERPA's).

The Williamson Central Schools are located in ERPA W-5. This includes the Town of Williamson south of the Ontario Midland Railroad (along Route 104), and a small part of the Town of Sodus, south of the Ontario Midland Railroad and west of Richardson Road.

Evacuation Route for W-5:
Route 1: East of Route 21
Take the most convenient route to Ridge Road. Turn east (right) on Ridge Road and proceed to Route 88 (Main Street in the Village of Sodus). Turn south (right) on Route 88 and proceed to the Village of Newark. Continue on Route 88, which becomes Main Street in the Village of Newark to West Maple Street. Turn west (right) on West Maple Avenue and proceed to Peirson Avenue. Turn south (left) on Peirson Avenue and proceed to Newark High School.

Route 2: West of Route 21
Take the most convenient route to Route 21. Proceed south on Route 21 to North Main Street in Marion. Turn east (left) on North Main Street and proceed to Newark-Marion Road. Turn east (left) on Newark-Marion Road (the road name changes to Hydesville Road in the Town of Arcadia); continue to Route 88. Turn south (right) on Route 88 and proceed to the Village of Newark. Continue on Route 88 (Main Street in the Village of Newark) to West Maple Avenue. Turn west (right) on West Maple Avenue and proceed to Peirson Avenue. Turn south (left) on Peirson Avenue and proceed to Newark High School.
Williamson Central
PTSA News

Visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/WilliamsonCSDPTSA
OR click “PTSA” in the left hand column at www.williamsoncentral.org

GET INVOLVED

NEXT MEETING
Attend our next meeting on Tuesday, November 9, at 6:30 in the Elementary School library.

DID YOU KNOW?

amazon.com

Amazon.com now helps raise money for your schools? Tens of millions of products on AmazonSmile are eligible for donations. You will see eligible products marked “Eligible for AmazonSmile donation” on their product detail pages. To get started, sign in to smile.amazon.com on your desktop or mobile phone browser. From your desktop, go to Your Account from the navigation at the top of any page, and then select the option to Change your Charity. Or, from your mobile browser, select Change your Charity from the options at the bottom of the page. Select a new charitable organization to support. Type in PTA New York Congress. Enter the code 07-217 and select WSP TSA. 5% of your purchase will automatically go towards the Williamson PTSA. It’s that easy!

UPCOMING EVENTS
Nov 10 - Veterans Day Celebration @ Middle School
Nov 11 - Veterans Day (no school)
Nov 18 - Half day of school (NO UPK)
Nov 24, 25, 26 - Thanksgiving Break

EXTRA, EXTRA - READ ALL ABOUT IT
Join the adventure with the Girls of Scouts BSA Troop 6125
Meetings: 2nd, 3rd and 4th Wednesday of each month while school is in session. Plus one or two outdoor weekend activities. For ages 11-18. Contact Jessica Shaver at 315-589-2101 or JESSICALSHAVER@GMAIL.COM

MEMBERSHIP
We are collecting PTSA membership renewals and new memberships. Stop at a meeting to submit your family’s membership form, turn it in to any officer, or drop it in the mail. Becoming a member is a quick, simple way to support programming for our students.

TURN OVER -------------------------------------------
BOX TOPS
Box Tops is changing to fit today's families. The new and improved Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your schools earnings online. To get started, download the Box Tops for Education app onto your mobile device. It's a free app! Create a new account or sign into your existing account. The app will guide through each step from there. Just scan your receipts!

DISTRICT APPROVAL for VOLUNTEERING
Interested in helping with an event during the school year? Just complete an application to become a district-approved volunteer (unless you have been approved during a previous school year - then you're all set!). There is a notary at the District Office who can assist you with finalizing your application - just call ahead (315-589-9661) to make sure the notary will be on-site when you plan to stop in! And don't forget to bring your ID! It's a quick process with years of payoff in being a part of your child's school experiences.

REACH OUT TO US
President: Rachel Higbee
Vice President: VACANT
Treasurer: Stephen Adams
Secretary: Jen Manahan
Contact us at
Williamsoncsd.PTSA@gmail.com

Happy Thanksgiving!
**OUR FIRST EVER MINI MARAUDER FUN RUN WAS A WONDERFUL SUCCESS!**

Thank you to all of the participants and the below volunteers and sponsors who made it possible:

- **Varsity Cross Country coach Pat Tyler and the team members**
- **G&G Farms for the delicious apples**
- **Breen's Shop & Save and Orphix for bottled water**

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**Travel Basketball Registration is OPEN!**

Girls grades 4-6 and Boys grades 4-6 can sign up for basketball now through November 5th using your CivicRec account at williamsonrec.org

Practices: Mon & Wed evenings beginning November 8th

Games: Saturday mornings beginning December 4th

Head on over to williamsonrec.org for more info and to get signed up!

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**KEEP UP WITH ALL OF THE LATEST EXCITING PROGRAMS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS AT WWW.WILLIAMSONREC.ORG AND MAKE SURE YOU ARE SIGNED UP TO RECEIVE OUR EMAILS SO YOU DON'T MISS OUT ON THE FUN!**

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**DO YOU SHOP ON AMAZON?**

When you shop, Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the Williamson Recreation Committee! Search for Williamson Recreation Committee at smile.amazon.com.

You can now also use AmazonSmile in the app (simple instructions below):

- Open the app and find 'Settings' in the main menu (☰).
- Tap on 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to turn on AmazonSmile on your phone.

You shop. Amazon gives.
Williamson Middle School

YEARBOOK ORDER FORM

ORDER BY: 01/28/2022
To purchase online, go to jostensyearbooks.com.

Make sure to order early and save on your Williamson Elementary and Middle School Yearbook!
Order by 1/28 to customize your yearbook with name stamping and icons. These are not available after 1/28.
Please bring order forms to the main office and checks payable to: ES/MS Yearbook

STEP 1: SELECT YOUR PACKAGE

YEARBOOK $35.00

STEP 2: PERSONALIZE YOUR YEARBOOK FOR $6.00

- NAME [29 characters max]

STEP 3: ADD ICONS* FOR $3.50 EACH

*IMPORTANT: To add icons, you must first purchase personalization in Step 2.
Enter the 4-digit icon code from the chart below into the boxes provided.

STEP 4: ENTER YOUR INFORMATION AND TOTAL YOUR ORDER

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**November 2021**

Williamson Elementary

- **November 9**: PTSA @ 6:30 @ ES Library
- **November 17**: RC Available, BOE @ 6:30
- **November 18**: P/T Conf. Day, 12:10 Dismissal
- **November 11**: Veterans Day Holiday (NO School)
- **November 21-27**: Thanksgiving Recess

*Note: Days marked in blue indicate non-school days.*