# WARREN ELEMENTARY NEWS

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#### February 2024

DATE	EVENT	TIME
02/09/2024	School Closed for Students	
02/07/2024	Second Grade – Marshy Point Presentation	
02/08/2024	Bake Sale/Pizza Bingo	6:00pm
02/13/2024	PTO Meeting – Google Meet: WarrenPTOFeb	7:00pm
02/19/2024	School Closed – President's Day	
02/22/2024	Class Picture Day	

## Principal's Message, Tricia Angelini

It's hard to believe that we are already into the third marking period of the school year! Report cards will be distributed Monday, February 5, and will be published to the Focus Student Portal at 4 p.m. the same day. If you have questions or concerns about your child's progress, please be sure to request a conference with your child's teacher. Attendance continues to be a focus this year. The homeroom with the best attendance for the month of February will receive a trophy and have a parade through the school! It is important that students arrive to school on time and remain at school the entire day. Please make every effort to schedule appointments after school hours. We are striving to meet the state attendance expectation of 94%!

# Literacy Committee

February is Black History Month!

The NEA Read Across America book of the month is "Love is Loud: How Diane Nash Led the Civil Rights Movement." You can get more information on the NEA book pick on the website. The Baltimore County Public Library is running a 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program for children getting ready to enter kindergarten. There is no minimum age to sign up, and the program can be accessed online with a BCPL library card. Visit the Baltimore County Public Library website for more information about the program and how to sign up. The link above also contains some wonderful ideas about reading aloud to your children. Families with young children be sure to check out this wonderful program to begin enriching your children's lives with literacy!

Save the date for Warren Elementary's Read Across America event. Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM. More information to come.

#### Mathematics Committee

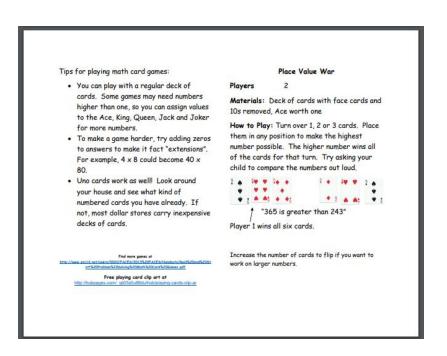
Happy February Warren Families! We would like to extend a huge thank you to the Food Lion Grocery store on Cranbrook Road for sponsoring our Warren Math Night! The management and staff graciously prepared our presentation tables complete with snacks that were donated from the store. It was a tremendous success with student and parent participation from all grade levels! Thank you to the many Warren families that took part in the math shopping fun!

Warren Elementary's Math Committee's resource for this month is Math Games to play with a standard deck of playing cards. Click on the link below for access to a PDF that includes directions that explain simple games that will support your child with basic facts drills as well as number sense.

### Math Games

Example: A place value review game





#### Counselor's Corner:

Warren Elementary's Virtue of the Month Program- February:

#### The Gift of Character:

At Warren Elementary we discuss our virtues of the month and related virtues we emphasize that month in our classroom meetings. Our virtue of the month for February is Perseverance. Perseverance is being steadfast and persistent. When you persevere you don't give up, no matter how long it takes. You commit to your goals and climb over obstacles, rather than let them stop you. This particular virtue is a life-long important strategy that makes a huge difference in a person's ability to be successful in all areas of life. The virtues that go along nicely with

Perseverance are Purposefulness, Reliability and Patience. Each of these virtues helps a person succeed in the areas of all academic subjects, learning a language or how to play an instrument, sports, and personal challenges and relationships.

Let's help our children to choose commitments wisely and set goals and stay with them, one step at a time, until they are met. Most importantly, let's teach our children to stand by their friends and loved ones.

We might say: I have perseverance. I finish what I start and keep a steady pace until I get there... I am loyal and committed.

This virtue goes along very nicely with Black History Month and my counseling lessons this month which focus on Celebrating Differences. The contributions African Americans have made to our country and world could not have happened if they had not shown incredible Perseverance.

(Source- Virtues Project International, www.virtuesproject.com

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Hearing and Vision Screening Follow-up: Notices were sent out for any student that did not pass the Hearing and Vision Screening in September.

If your child did not pass the hearing or the vision screening, please,

- 1) Follow-up with your pediatrician or hearing/vision specialist,
- 2) Have your provider complete the required paperwork included with your notification, and
- 3) Return paperwork to Warren ES, Attention: School Nurse, as soon as possible.

I have a number of gifts certificates for FREE eye exams and glasses, if needed, if your family income qualifies. Please contact me as soon as possible if you would like me to send a gift certificate home for your child's use. Also please reach out if you need an additional copy of the screening report for your provider.

## A REMINDER FOR OUR STUDENTS, PER BCPS POLICY:

Students may not return to school after running a fever greater than 100.0 F until they are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications.

Please continue to send in your children's updated immunizations, physicals, dental and lead forms! If you need help with obtaining general medical care for your child, please reach out to me so that I can connect you to the Baltimore County Health Department for assistance.

#### CONTACT INFO FOR THE HEALTH SUITE:

Health Suite Phone: (443) 809-7377

Health Suite Fax: (443) 809-7344 School Nurse Email: kmelito@bcps.org

Thank you!

Kate Melito, School Nurse

# Safe and Orderly Committee

Virtue of the Month: Perseverance

During February, students will be learning about the virtue of Perseverance. This also incorporates the virtues of Purposefulness, Reliability, and Patience.

Students will learn that Perseverance is being persistent in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success. When you have perseverance, you have a determination to see the job through to the end.

Students will be introduced to the virtue and its meaning during morning meetings. They will continue to explore this virtue throughout the month through lessons, activities, and encouragement. Students will show perseverance when they work on an assignment, when they keep trying on math problems until they get it correct, and when they try different strategies to get an answer.

Students can show perseverance at home when they complete their homework and when they read for an extra 10 to 15 minutes. Be sure to praise your child to reinforce these behaviors. You can say, "Michael, you really stuck to it solving those difficult math problems. I'm proud of you". This will empower your child and reinforce this virtue.

# Warren PTO

Get your <u>Pizza BINGO tickets</u> before they sell out: <a href="https://warrenelementarypto.ticketleap.com/pizza-bingo-2024/">https://warrenelementarypto.ticketleap.com/pizza-bingo-2024/</a>. Each ticket includes a stack of BINGO cards, a slice of pizza, chips and a drink. Bring cash for desserts and the raffle! Please note: children over 2 and accompanying adults must buy a ticket. Due to seating capacity, a maximum of 250 tickets will be sold. More details: <a href="https://fb.me/e/5ghdwZ1XF">https://fb.me/e/5ghdwZ1XF</a>.

Volunteer to help with Pizza BINGO. We need help with set up, check-in, pizza and clean up. Volunteers get a free ticket! <u>Sign up here</u>: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D48ADA623A2FD0-pizza?useFullSite=true#/.

There are still spots available for the Spring theater club! Reserve your child's spot today: https://www.tfaforms.com/5099340. Email warrencubspto@gmail.com for scholarship information.

Treat yourself to some frozen yogurt this week at <u>Tutti Frutti Fundraising Night</u> on Friday, February 2 from 4 - 7 p.m. Put your printed receipt in the jar at the register and Warren PTO gets 25% donated back!

Spring Fest planning committee will meet on February 13 at 6 p.m. (right before the general PTO meeting). Join us to help brainstorm activities, entertainment, and food for this year's event.

Join the PTO for the monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 13 at 7 p.m. Pizza and babysitters are provided! We'll discuss Pizza BINGO, Spring Fest, assemblies, fundraisers, 5th grade graduation and more! Have your voice heard!