



Willow Springs

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

I just want to send a reminder that phones, including phone watches, are not to be used as communication devices during school. Students may bring phones or phone watches to school, but they need to be turned off, or kept in their backpacks during the school day, including lunch and recess. Phone watches that are used for telling time are fine, but they should not be used to make or receive calls or messages. Phones and phone watches become very distracting for students and teachers. We value every minute that we have with your children. The distraction of a call or message during class may seem minor, but it takes time for all students and teachers to get back into the swing of things afterward. I have heard that many of the phone calls or messages students are receiving during the day are from parents. If you have a message to give your children, please call the office (801-826-9700) and let us pass on the information rather than calling them. Letting us give your child the information ensures that the office knows what is going on, and it also helps

minimize class distractions. Any kind of phone/phone watch that is out and being used for communication during the school day will be taken to the office. Parents, you will need to come in and pick up the phones/watches.

Thank you,
Principal Yule

PTA Message

Hello Wildcats!
September was a busy month for our school. We started with the Jog-A-Thon and Reflections kickoff assembly, next the Room Mom Social, then our amazing Jog- A-Thon and lastly Parent Teacher Conferences. Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who helped in all these events-We certainly couldn't do it without all of you!

Our Jog-A-Thon was a huge success thanks to Jared and Katie Glazier, our Committee Chairs. They spent countless hours organizing, communicating and planning every detail. They did an incredible job and made our Jog-A-Thon unforgettable. I know the teachers and kids had a blast participating in the dunk tanks. We will for sure bring

those back next year. The kids were so energetic and ran their hearts out. We cannot thank the Glaziers enough for their time and hard work.

I want give a big shout out to our committee heads; Brooke Carn and Angie Kelly were over concessions and they both did a fabulous job. Marci Tarrant was over our route and thanks to her, everyone was safe. DeeAnna Smith was over water stations. She made sure all the kids were hydrated. Great Job! Rachael Crittenden gathered all of our equipment. Heather George took fabulous pictures and documented the event. Thank you. Krissa Reinbold and the CCHS girls soccer team ran the dunk tanks and they did a wonderful job. The kids had a great RUN thanks to all of you ladies. Lastly, thank you to all of the parents who volunteered their time to help make the Jog-A-Thon a success!

I also want to thank all the students and parents who brought in their packets. We exceeded our goal of \$15,000 thanks to the wonderful support of our student's family members and friends!! Isn't that amazing? We have so

many generous families at our school and we are incredibly lucky for these donations. The money will go directly to our school and the students. They will be rewarded with an outdoor lunch and select classes will earn a pizza party.

Here are my **STARS** for September:

CCHS Cheerleaders led a pep rally at our kickoff assembly!!
Corner Canyon Cross Country cheered and ran with the students during the entire race!!
CCHS Girls Soccer helped run the dunk tanks for 2 hours in the hot sun!!

Jared and Katie Glazier for planning an out of this world Jog-A-Thon. It was your hard work and vision that made our fundraiser a success. Thank you!!

Parents and Volunteers for giving your time and helping with the Jog-A-Thon. Many of you helped with the route, cheered endlessly, worked at concessions, took pictures, cleaned up and set up. Thank you so much!!

Amy Bench for providing the teachers with 2 dinners at Parent Teacher Conferences. The teachers appreciate you!!

Amy Muir for putting together the giving trees. The teacher appreciate any classroom donations!

Chelsa Adamson and Janalyn Osborn for organizing the reflections contest at our school. Thank you and good luck to the students who entered.

I am looking forward to October and our upcoming fun activities. We have Reflections Judging, Watch Dog pizza party, Jog-A-Thon closing assembly, Zupas spirit night and our annual Halloween Literacy parade. Get your costumes ready!!!

Sincerely,
Becca England
PTA President

Join the PTA

Parents of our **WONDERFUL Wildcats**, please take a moment to help our children “Reach for the Stars” and join the PTA! It’s still not too late and your Child can be entered into a drawing for some “Out Of This World” gifts and prizes! Did you know that the funds raised by the PTA pay for all student field trips?! Membership dues also help the PTA support programs such as Meet the Masters, Special guests like Scales and Tales, and student clubs including Chess Club, etc! Most importantly, the PTA provides support to our “Out of this World” Teachers! For just \$6, **ANYONE** can join! – Mom, Dad, Grandma, Grandpa, even Aliens and Astronauts! And

volunteering is always completely optional as a member. We recently sent home membership forms. If you have misplaced yours and need a new one, the main office always has some available or you can conveniently sign up online at www.willowspringspta.com. As always, we truly appreciate the parent involvement we receive from those who sign up and support the PTA!! Thank you to those who have already done so, this year really is going to be **OUT OF THIS WORLD!!**

Watch Dogs



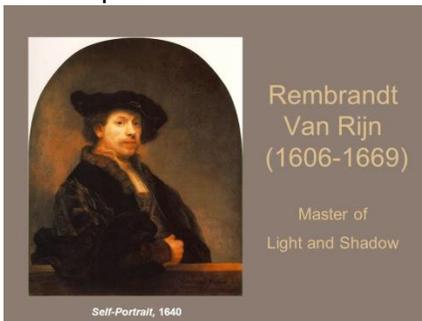
WatchDOGS will be having its launch party on **Tuesday, October 2nd from 6:30 - 7:30 pm**. All students and their fathers or father figures are invited to attend a pizza party to kick off the year. Free pizza and drinks will be provided by the PTA.

Dads, please come to sign up to volunteer at the school. We encourage you to sign up for a full school day, but everyone is welcome! Even if you can only volunteer a half day or as little as an hour of your time at school, we need you. Please come and enjoy a fun evening

with your student, and sign up to be part of the Watch DOGS community!

Meet the Masters

Rembrandt van Rijn created art with a special technique of painting highlights and shadow. With the aid of a flashlight, the children will understand this special "Rembrandt Lighting" as they carry it over to their own artwork in their special Dutch landscapes.



Chess Club



CHESS MEETINGS

Start Oct 5 (new students) / Oct 12 (all students)

We will be starting up another year of Chess meetings at our school soon! The meetings introduce chess to the students in a gradual, fun and supportive way. We have a complete program that can take any level of chess player and instruct them from the basics to strategy. You can find our guidebooks at <https://sites.google.com/site/wschess/guidebooks>.

Chess Meetings are held Friday mornings before school from 8 am - 8:50 am in the Cafeteria. We will hold chess meeting every Friday that school is in session.

- **5 October** - First year students* / New student orientation
- **12 October** - First meeting for all students, New and Returning.

Sign Up Online at: <http://bit.ly/YwD13f>.

Please register even if you did chess last year.

Students can start in the chess program anytime, even if they miss the orientation or first weeks.

There is no cost to attend Chess club (thanks to the PTA's support!).

All grades and experience levels are welcome (AM/PM kindergartners are welcome, but it helps if a parent attends with them to help read the materials).

Additionally, we need parent/grandparent help at our meetings! The chess program is run by parent volunteers. We can ALWAYS use more help, but especially the first 6 weeks. We mostly need parents to help guide students as they progress through the program. Student progress is slowed when we don't have enough parents. Chess experience is helpful, but not necessary! We don't have a volunteer schedule, just come when you can. Check out our Volunteer

Quick Start Guide for more information at <http://bit.ly/1lkxHKT>.

We look forward to a fun year playing chess! For additional questions, you can contact Lynleah Smart at willowspringschess@gmail.com

Spirit Night

Café Zupas spirit night is Tuesday, October 9th from 5-9. Just tell the cashier you are with Willow Springs and a portion of your dinner cost will go directly to our school! Tell all your friends and family to eat at Café Zupas and to mention Willow Springs Elementary when they check out. Yay Café Zupas!!



Book Club

Did you know Willow Springs has a book club for 4th and 5th graders? We have a fun group of kids who like to read and do reading activities. We are looking for parents who can volunteer time to help out. If you are interested or want to find out more information please contact Liza Nelson. lizajanelson@aol.com or 801-870-9216



Box Tops

The Box Tops Store will return this year in October, January, and May. Please start saving those Box Tops and remember to neatly trim! If you have any donations for the Box Top Store, or would like to volunteer during store days, please contact Kelly Olson at olson.kelly1@gmail.com. Thank you!!!



Jog-A-Thon

Our Jog-A-Thon was a huge success!! A huge shout out to the awesome students, parents, family members, neighbors, and friends who all contributed to our fundraiser. We raised \$18,962 for our school!!! Which means... we met our school goal and the kids will get to have an outdoor lunch day!! We gave out over 30 prizes to our top Boy and Girl collectors and prizes from a school wide raffle. Miss Romney's class won a pizza party for bringing in the most donations. Miss Hulce's class won a pizza party for the class that returned the most packets. We have the VERY BEST Teachers, Principal, and Faculty at Willow Springs!! They made our Dunk Tank a giant success and I'm sure made some lasting memories for the students at Willow Springs! Thank you for all making this years Jog-A-Thon a success!!

Choir



The Wildcat Chorus is excited for their first performance of the year! They will delight their audience with spooky songs and catchy toons at their Halloween Spooktacular assembly on Friday October 26th at 1:10 in the afternoon. Hope to see you there!!

Mark Your Calendar

- Oct. 1 – Picture Day
- Oct. 2 – Watch Dogs Pizza Party
Kickoff 6:30pm @ Gym
- Oct. 3 – PTA Meeting 10am @
Cafeteria
- Oct. 5 – Jog-A-Thon Closing
Assembly
- Oct. 9 – Spirit Night @ Café Zupas
5-9pm
- Oct. 10 Birthday Lunch
- Oct. 26 – Choir Spooktacular
1:10pm @ Cafeteria
- Oct. 31 – Literacy Parade