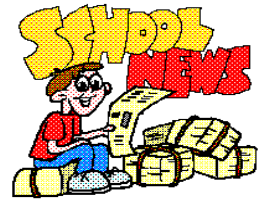




# WHITIN MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENT NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2010



## **First Quarter Report Cards**

This week marks the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter report card period for students at Whitin Middle School. Teachers will be busy correcting tests, evaluating projects, and averaging grades this week. Report cards will be sent home to parents on or about Monday, November 15. Parents are asked to sign report card envelopes and return them to the homeroom teacher. Parents are reminded that conference sign-up forms will be enclosed in report card envelopes. Information about parent-teacher conferences is listed below.

## **Parent-Teacher Conferences**

Parent-teacher conferences are scheduled to be held at Whitin School as follows:

Monday, November 22      Afternoon Conferences from 11:10 AM to 1:50 PM  
Evening Conferences from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Parents are required to sign-up for scheduled conference times with individual teachers. Conference sign-up forms will be sent home to parents with report cards on or about November 15. Parents must return completed conference forms to homeroom teachers as soon as possible, since conferences will be scheduled on a first come – first serve basis.

Please note: Whitin students will be dismissed from school at 10:27 AM on Monday, November 22 due to parent conferences. Also, students will be dismissed from school at 10:27 AM on Wednesday, November 24 due to Thanksgiving recess.

## **Monthly PTO Meeting on November 3**

The next monthly meeting of the Whitin Middle School PTO is scheduled for Wednesday, November 3, starting at 6:30PM in the school library. Parents are invited and encouraged to attend monthly PTO meetings and participate in PTO sponsored activities.

The PTO would like to thank students and parents who supported our Magazine Drive. We appreciate all of the fundraising support you give to the PTO, which helps us support class trips, school events and student activities.

The PTO is sponsoring the Uxbridge Town Loop Run/Walk Challenge on Sunday, November 21. Registration is \$10 before November 12 and \$15 after that. There is also a family rate of \$30. Registrations are available through the Whitin Office or online at [www.uxbridgeschools.com](http://www.uxbridgeschools.com). Please join the Whitin PTO for a morning of fun & excitement. Proceeds will benefit the Whitin PTO as well as other school organizations.

## **No School for Students on November 11**

Parents are reminded that Veterans Day is celebrated on Thursday, November 11; there is no school for Uxbridge students on November 11.

## **Dance for Grades 7-8**

A school dance for students in grades 7-8 is scheduled for Friday, November 19, from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Price of admission is \$5.00. Students and parents are reminded that the School Dress Code shall be enforced. Parents are asked to pick up students at 9:00 PM when the dance ends.

## **Band News**

**Veterans' Day Parade:** The Whitin Middle School Intermediate and Advanced Bands will be marching in the Veterans' Day Parade on Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. The parade begins at 2:00 PM at the North Uxbridge Baptist Church and ends on the Uxbridge Town Common. Marchers need to assemble at 1:30. Please come out and support Uxbridge's veterans!

**Bake Sale and Quilt Raffle:** The Music Department will be holding a Bake Sale and Quilt Raffle on Monday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> during parent/teacher conferences. Proceeds raised will be used to supplement the Music Department budget and to support Music Department activities including the Great East Festival. Thank you to Mrs. Gabrielle Caron for her donation of the beautiful blue and green quilt, which will be on display during conferences. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Music students will each be receiving an allotment of raffle tickets to sell. The winner will be drawn during the Holiday Concert.

### **Concert Dates: Mark Your Calendars!**

Beginner Band and Chorus: Tuesday, December 14th (7:00 PM)

Intermediate and Advanced Bands – Wednesday, December 15th (7:00 PM)

Snow Date for either concert – Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup> (7:00 PM)

### **The Scholastic Book Fair is Coming to Whitin Middle School**

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to the Whitin Middle School Library!

When: 11/10-11/22 during School Hours Extended Hours: Monday 11/22, 12:00-2:00, and 6:00-8:00

Look for these Great Titles! Diary of a Wimpy Kid 6: The Ugly Truth by Jeff Kinney, The Hunger Games Series by Suzanne Collins, The Chronicles of Vladimir Tod by Heather Brewer

As always plenty of posters and fun stuff!

Public Welcome during school hours and extended hours

Students may pay with cash and checks (**if limit is specified**)

Parents may use cash, checks and credit cards

Questions? Contact Tracy French 508-278-8640 X233, tfrench@uxbridge.k12.ma.us

### **Note from the Nurse...**

**Whitin Middle School Sports:** Students who are interested in trying out for the Whitin Middle School basketball team (boys and girls) must have a current physical on file. Please note: **No student may participate in tryouts without a physical.**

**Free physicals** can be scheduled at the WIC van located in the Hannaford parking lot on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month. Additional locations and times are in the nurse's office. If you are having difficulty getting health coverage, please contact Mrs. Donahue @ 508 278-6361.

There are still several grade 7 students who have not submitted their physical and immunization form.

This was due at the start of the school year. Please send this information to the nurse as soon as possible.

### **Parent Workshop at Blackstone Valley Technical High School**

The Center for Adolescent Health and Milford Regional Medical Center will be presenting a conference for parents and providers of teens on the physiology of stress and techniques to reduce it on November 13. For more information please call (508) 422-2838

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