



Waddell News



Michael Moynihan, Principal

December 2013

Principal's Message

Wow, it's hard to believe that December is here already! I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the parents attending conferences for their child on December 3rd, 4th and 5th. I know that this is a busy time of the year but continuing the partnership between teachers and parents is critical in order for our students to continue their educational journey with success. If you were unable to attend a conference for your child, it's not too late! Please call the school to make arrangements to schedule a time for you and the teacher to meet.

There are a lot of activities happening at our school this month. We have author, Teresa Pelham and her certified therapy dog, Roxy visiting on December 6th. Students will have the opportunity to purchase an autographed copy of Teresa's book. All proceeds from the sale of the books will benefit Emily's Friends Rescue. There are also numerous programs visiting our classrooms including the Lutz Museum, Mystic and Hartford Stage. Waddell will be holding another lockdown drill this month in partnership with the Manchester Police Department. We must hold either a fire drill or lockdown drill each month in order to familiarize the students with emergency procedures in the event that a real emergency occurs. The theme of our monthly Pep Rally this month will focus on being selfless. The students will enjoy a celebration for their good behavior with music, dancing, a PowerPoint presentation and an opportunity to take part in the Minute to Win It challenge! If any parents would like to attend the pep rally, seating is limited; therefore we ask that you reserve a seat ahead of time by calling the school.

Our new pick up and drop off procedure should be starting when we return from the Winter Recess. More information will be sent home with your child. Until this new procedure is in place, I am asking that parents please be careful on Windermere Street. Please do not allow your child to cross the street without you, make sure your vehicle is in a safe and legal parking spot before letting your child enter or exit it.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

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Secretary

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Mrs. Carol Walker
Nurse

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Mrs. Melissa Lawton
Social Worker

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860-647-3396

**Attendance and
Weather Hot Line**

860-647-3399

Report Card Conferences ~ Dis

December Date Book

Dec 2 – Dec 13

Dec 3 – Dec 5

Dec 6

Dec 7

Dec 9

Dec 10

Dec 11

Dec 11 – Dec 13

Dec 12 & 13

Dec 13

Dec 16 – Dec 19

Dec 17

Dec 18

Dec 19

Dec 20

Dec 23 – Jan 1 Holiday Vacation ~ **NO SCHOOL**

Jan 2 Vacation ends ~ **School reopens**

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Healthy and Safe
Holiday!*



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Nurse's Corner

We still have outdoor recess during the winter on nice days!
Dress accordingly

➤ Exercise has been shown to boost your immune system and help protect against some illness.

Wishing you a Safe and Healthy New Year!

Library News

Winter Book Fair

Dec 11th - Dec 13th

Open Late December 12th until 4:30 pm

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Available now On-line

The link to online store is on the Waddell Media Center website



Thank you for your generous support of the Book Fair



PTA Updates

Holiday School Store

Dec 12th & Dec 13th

Students can visit during lunch waves

Next PTA Meeting

Jan. 14th ~ 6:30 pm ~ in the Library

Everyone is welcome

FREE childcare is provided by the PTA!



PE News

Winter Wonderland Family Fitness Night

Thursday, December 19th

6:15 pm – 7:30 pm

Students **MUST** be accompanied by an adult for the entire evening event

Please Pre-Register by Dec 18th

A BLUE notice has been sent home
Parent Signatures required and # attending

Please remember to wear your



Parent ~ Teacher Conferences

December 3rd

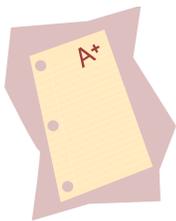
December 4th

December 5th

LUNCH IS SERVED
All students dismiss 1:17 pm

All students must be picked up promptly!

Please make every effort to keep your scheduled appointment time with your child's teacher.



Lights of Love

sneakers!

Penny / Coin Collection

December 2nd – December 13th

Our annual collection will be given to
MACC

(Manchester Area Conference of Churches)
To help those in need in Manchester

The class that collects the most will light the Light of Love Tree

Thank you for your support!



SCHOOL HOURS

Doors open ~ 8:55 am

*Some students are arriving before 8:30 am ~ Please note there is **NO** Supervision **before 8:55 am.***

Tardy to Class

Students should be in class ready to start the day by 9:05 am



Please make every effort to have your child arrive on time!

Dismissal ~ 3:25 pm

Students become very concerned when parents are late to pick them up at dismissal time and the office cannot provide after school childcare.

All visitors must register at the office.

Inclement Weather

Late Openings



Listen to the TV or Radio for school cancellations or late openings (90 minutes = 10:35 am)

Early Closing

Listen to the TV or Radio for any early dismissals (1:17 pm)

Be sure your child knows exactly what to do and where to go on these days!



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FREE - FREE - FREE

Receive a FREE text message when school is Closed or Opening Late or Closing Early

Log on to your local news station and register your cell phone

Example: wfsb.com

select – School Closings

select – Get School Closing Alerts

enter – Your Name and Cell Phone Number

Select all school groups you would like to be notified about



School Parking Lot

DO NOT ENTER the Parking Lot to Drop off Students

- **Drop off your children on Windermere Street.** Children should use the sidewalk to enter the building and NOT cross through the parking lot.
- **Do not double park or block others** cars while waiting on Windermere Street



This is extremely dangerous and I am fearful one day a child will be hit by a car



DO NOT ENTER the circular driveway off Broad Street. This is to be used only by school buses and vans.

Cars should NOT enter this driveway to drop off students.

Winter Music Concert

Dec 19th ~ 2:00 pm

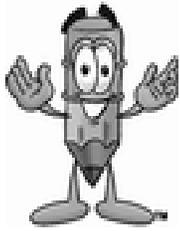
featuring:

Band with Mr. Garrison
Orchestra with Ms. Jordan
and Song Sharing by all students
with Mrs. Kerkin-Bundy



Please feel free to attend the concert !

Holiday School Store



December 12th
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December 13th

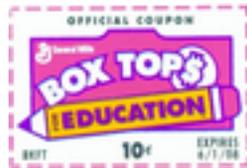
Open during
Lunch / Recess

Most items \$2.00 or less

Box Tops

Help earn money for Waddell

Send in your
Box Tops for
Education



Pep Rally

Theme: The Act of Kindness

No referrals in month = student name entered into drawing



1 student per grade
wins a chance to play
Minute to Win it!

Parents welcome to attend
Seating is limited. Reserve a seat

Title IX Notice

Title IX is a federal law which states: "No person in the United States shall on the basis of sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal assistance."

Manchester's Title IX coordinator is: Ms. Terri Smith
Manchester Public Schools 45 North School Street

Manchester, CT 06042

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P.B.S. Highlights

Fabulous Friday

Coming in January



Remember if we earn our
tickets

we will earn our fun!

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Keep up the good work
so you don't miss
out on our next

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School !
great event!

Author Teresa M Pelham

Visits

December 6th

She will be accompanied by her certified
Therapy Dog, Roxy



Assembly

9:15 – 10:00 Gr K – 2

10:15 – 11:00 Gr 3 - 5

Books will be
available to purchase

1/2 Day of School

Wednesday

December 11th

Lunch is Served

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