

**May 2018**

# **Wilson / WSTEM Newsletter**



Dear Wilson/WSTEM Families,

We came back from Spring Break and hit the ground running. I can't thank the staff, students, and parents enough for their efforts as Wilson/WSTEM 3rd–5th graders took the state exam, the Forward Assessment. All of the students in K–5 will be taking the MAP Assessment May 7–May 18. As always, it is very important that students try their best and that we have them in school to take these assessments during their scheduled time. It is difficult to get students all completed with assessments when they are not in school. All staff have their testing dates and times selected for the MAP assessment, so if you are unsure of this please ask your child's teacher.

The EFW Walk/Run will be on May 5. The Education Foundation of Wauwatosa allocates money to innovative teachers and programs. If you have some ideas of things that you would like to see in your child's classroom, having a conversation with a teacher about helping with writing an EFW grant may be a great thing to consider.

Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week starts May 7. Please take time to thank the outstanding professionals in your children's lives. I want to take a moment and say thank you to our staff for the dedication, hard work, and positive attitudes they demonstrate every day. They truly strive to meet every child's needs! I feel our teachers take pride in their relationships with all of you and I feel fortunate to be a part of this great building. We all play a role in the education of the children within our building and I wanted to say how much I appreciate all of your efforts.

The months of May and June will be extremely busy as well and I hope you can continue to find time to volunteer and/or come to some of the many events we will have to close out another great school year. I know we will continue to strive toward continuous improvement in all that we do as we finish off another great school year and build toward a great 2018–19 school year!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Heun".

**Mike Heun**  
Principal

# Save the Dates      May Birthdays

## May 7–11

Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week

## May 11

High Interest Day

## May 12

Golf Outing

## May 15

Spring Concert

## May 24

Wilson/WSTEM Try-Athlon

## May 30

Fire Safety Day

## June 1

Wilson/WSTEM Field Day

## June 8

Last day of school

Miles Laird  
Jule Smith  
Lauren Smith  
Sean Emmons  
Violet Hilgers  
Kerrington Schulz  
Dylan Wergin  
Alexander Broeckert  
Charlie Teich  
Samuel Webster  
Ethan Antczak  
Joseph Zautner  
Quin Lawson  
Finn Dodd  
Jacquelyn Brown  
Desmond Zmolek  
Elsi McClellan  
Ellory Bordini  
Blake Vyles  
Emery Guran  
Hazel Sanders  
Callum Flewellen  
Carter Wiedenheft  
Cecelia Hornung

### Attendance Phone Line (414) 773-1902

When your child is absent, please make sure to call in.

If your child is late (the bell has rung), you must come to the office and sign them in. Thank you.

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**WILSON AND WSTEM**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**May 12, 1 pm**

**Golf Outing**

**NEW BERLIN HILLS GOLF COURSE**

# News

## PTSA UPDATE

Is it really May? Didn't I just borrow a skeleton costume for the Halloween Hop? I swear it was yesterday that we stood outside in the rain raking leaves at Fall Clean Up. The PTSA has accomplished A LOT this year, and we're not done yet.

The grand finale is almost here: May 11 is High Interest Day! The students LOVE this day because they get to try new things like dissection, learn real life skills like sign language, and enjoy some creative time with a craft workshop. A giant thank you to our coordinators this year, Rebecca Paxton and Anna Hassell. It isn't an easy day to plan and we are grateful for their hard work. We also need you to make this happen! Please consider signing up to help that morning. You won't be disappointed and you might learn something!

We're already planning for next year and will use time at the May 2 meeting to approve next year's events. Join us, 7 pm in the library.

### Jo Durnin

PTSA President

## VOLUNTEER SHOUT-OUT

Thank you to the PTSA, Mrs. Forbord and Mrs. Falk for organizing the great Author in Residence program this year with Valerie Bodden! It was a great experience for the students and families that were able to participate.

Thank you to Ali Wergin who has volunteered to be the PTSA President for the 2018–19 school year. We are excited to have Ali's enthusiasm, organizational skills and commitment to the Wilson/WSTEM community!

Thank you to Tayla LaMacchia who has volunteered to join the PTSA Board in a VP position for the 2018–19 school year. Tayla previously served as president of the WSTEM Governance Board and we are excited to have her knowledge, insights and passion on the PTSA Board.

## ART

Wilson 1st and 2nd graders have been exploring 3D media through clay. They learned and reviewed pinch pot techniques and used scoring to attach pieces of clay to add more interest. Their work will be glazed and fired soon! Both grades will be exploring one last painting project before the end of the school year cartooning unit.

WSTEM 2nd and 3rd graders are also working on their earth clay projects. Students are always excited to work with clay! We are focusing on our "develop craft" target and have been practicing clay techniques such as rolling a slab and attaching pieces using scoring and slipping. They first created a "taco fish" using a tortilla-shaped slab for the body and then built a stacked "wall flower" with different textures. After firing the pieces in the kiln, the students will be painting their creations to take home.

### Abbey Finn and Sherrill Knezel

Art Teachers

## PTSA UPCOMING EVENTS

**May 5, 8:30 am (run), 9 am (walk):** EFW 2018 Walk/Run

**May 7–11:** Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week

**May 11, 8 am–12 pm:** High Interest Day

We need plenty of volunteers! <http://signup.com/go/gJfNkeK>

**May 12, 1 pm:** Golf Outing, New Berlin Hills Golf Course

**May 30:** Fire Safety Day for 1st and 3rd graders. We will be looking for volunteers as the date gets closer.

**June 1:** PTSA Committee Fair after school! Did you know that the PTSA has 32 committees powered by parent volunteers? Each committee provides a unique experience for our Wilson/WSTEM community, and we are looking for more parents to get involved in the upcoming school year. We will have information tables set up outside after school on Friday, June 1, from 3 pm to 6 pm. Come to meet committee members, ask questions, and sign up.

# May Calendar

## 1

11:30–12:15 pm We Care Club, Library  
3:23–4:25 pm Young Rembrandts, Art Room

## 2

2:20–4 pm ICWW–Zumba, Gym  
5:30–7 pm WSTEM Governance Board Meeting, Library  
7–8:15 pm PTSA Meeting, Library

## 4

3:30–5 pm 2nd Grade Brownies Meeting, Art Room

## 7

Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week

## 8

11:30–12:15 pm We Care Club, Library  
3:25–4:25 pm Young Rembrandts, Art Room

## 9

2:20–4 pm ICWW–Zumba, Gym

## 11

9 am–12 pm High Interest Day, Classrooms/Gym/Cafeteria  
3:30–5 pm 4/5 Girl Scouts Meeting, Library

## 15

11:30–12:15 pm We Care Club, Library  
1:30–2:30 pm 4/5 Spring Concert, Gym  
3:20–4:30 pm SK Daisy Scouts Meeting, Library  
3:25–4:25 pm Young Rembrandts, Art Room  
7–8 pm 4/5 Spring Concert, Gym

## 16

2:20–4 pm ICWW–Zumba, Gym

## 17

3:20–4:45 pm 3rd Grade Brownies Meeting, Library  
6–8 pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting, Cafeteria

## 21

8:30–2:30 pm WSTEM 2/3 to Discovery World

## 22

8:30–11:30 am Wilson 4th to Milwaukee Guest House  
11:30–12:15 pm We Care Club, Library  
3:20–5:50 pm 1st Grade Daisies Meeting, Library  
3:25–4:25 pm Young Rembrandts, Art Room

## 23

2:20–4 pm ICWW-Legos, Gym

## 24

TBD Try-Athlon, Gym/Playground

## 25

No School, Memorial Day Weekend

## 28

No School, Memorial Day

## 29

11:30–12:15 pm We Care Club, Library  
3:25–4:25 pm Young Rembrandts, Art Room

## 30

8:30–2:30 pm 1st and 3rd Grade Fire Safety,  
Classrooms and Playground  
2:20–4 pm ICWW–Legos, Gym