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Hello West Park Elementary Families!

We had an amazing week with our little Wildcats! Please be sure to check the weather report for each day as we navigate the highs and lows of the Spring season. If you are in need of clothing for your student, please do not hesitate to email our counselor Jenni Hightower at [hightowerj@msd281.org](mailto:hightowerj@msd281.org).

Please see below for important upcoming dates and details.

**Update to West Park/Russell Plan from Superintendent Shawn Tiegs**

- Superintendent Shawn Tiegs has sent out a change to the initial proposal of closing Russell and converting West Park to a K-5 school.
- Please see the attached letter below for details.
- If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.
- This proposal will be presented to the School Board on Wednesday, March 27 at 7:00pm at Russell Elementary.
- ATTACHMENT

**VERY IMPORTANT - Enrollment Survey**

- Please take time to complete the survey below by March 31 for each child currently in kindergarten, 1st grade, or 2nd grade at West Park Elementary.
- This information is essential for planning the next school year.
- <https://forms.gle/8Z9xwKRq5nmHki4U6>
- Thank you!

**Monday, March 25 – Wednesday, March 27 – Elementary Science Fair**

- We have 26 students participating this year!
- Please see the flyer below for details.
- ATTACHMENT

**Tuesday, March 26 – Class Picture Day!**

- We will be taking class pictures on this date!
- Order forms have been sent home.
- Please be sure to notify your teacher if you plan to have your child take individual pictures on this date as well.
- Smile, Wildcats!

**March 27 – Moscow School District Board Meeting – 7:00pm – Russell Elementary**

- It will be recommended by Superintendent Shawn Tiegs for our MSD Board to make a final decision concerning the proposal to close Russell Elementary at this meeting.

**April – Reading Month!**

- April is Reading Month at WPE!
- We will be holding a reading contest all month with a book fair and multiple pep rallies to encourage students throughout the month!
- More details will be shared closer to April.

**April 4 & 5 - Book Fair!**

- The WPE Book Fair is coming!
- Our scholastic Book Fair will be in the West Park gym Thursday, April 4 (3:00pm-7:00pm) and Friday, April 5 (8:00am-3:45pm).
- Make sure to stop by when you are here for student-led conferences!
- ATTACHMENT

**April 5 – No School – Open House/Student-Led Conferences**

- We will be hosting an Open House and student-led conferences on this date and for some grade levels in the evening prior to this date!
- Families will be invited to come to the school and be led through many of our learning activities by their own students!
- We will have student work samples to provide families.
- This day will also be used for select parent conferences as needed.
- More details will be shared closer to the date!

**April 5 – Adventure Club**

- There is an April 5<sup>th</sup> full day Adventure Club opportunity!
- 8am-5pm at McDonald Elementary.
- Families may register at [www.ezchildtrack.com/adventure/parent](http://www.ezchildtrack.com/adventure/parent).
- The cost is \$28/child with a 25% discount for families receiving free/reduced lunch.

**Kindergarten Registration for the 2024-2025 School Year!**

- Kindergarten registration for 2024-2025 school year is open!
- Please use the link below to our website for all details including how to participate in our Kindergarten Registration Event on Friday, April 5!
- We can't wait to meet our new Wildcats!
- <https://westpark.msd281.org/>

**April 9 – PAT Skate Night!**

- Our PAT will be hosting a Skate Night at the Palouse Ice Rink!
- More details will be shared soon!

**May 3 – West Park/Russell Carnival!**

- Our famous PAT Carnival will be on his date!
- More information will be shared soon concerning details and how to volunteer!

**May 27 – No School – Memorial Day****June 4 – West Park Field Day!**

- Save the date as this one of the most anticipated events of the year!
- Details on the event and how to volunteer will be shared closer to the date.

**June 5 – Last Day of School**

- We will have a early release time of 1:30pm.

**West Park/Russell Spirit Wear!**

- Click on the link below to order all of your WPE spirit gear!
- FYI... The online store will remain open throughout the year.
- Thank you to the West Park/Russell PAT and Moscow Apparel for creating this awesome online store!
- [https://westparkrussell.spiritsale.com/?mibextid=Zxz2cZ&fbclid=IwAR1KqONc72pBnvu4EqQ10D\\_FpZWpzFPF6Ruije58XrjVrVYptuiwOfIF5ko](https://westparkrussell.spiritsale.com/?mibextid=Zxz2cZ&fbclid=IwAR1KqONc72pBnvu4EqQ10D_FpZWpzFPF6Ruije58XrjVrVYptuiwOfIF5ko)

**Communication**

- Please be sure to check out our Facebook page and school website for regular updates!
- <https://www.facebook.com/West-Park-Elementary-School-1673846729595032>
- <https://westpark.msd281.org/>

Go Wildcats!

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