



Will Carleton Academy

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Dear Will Carleton Academy Families,

What about the snowflakes wafting through the air last night? Not the type of weather I appreciate in mid-March! I had to break out the long sleeves and corduroys to keep warm today.

Congratulations to Mme Poulet and the French Club members. I hear the Pi Day (or should I say Pie Day!) assembly was awesome! There is no medicine better for the soul than the sound of belly laughter of children and there was plenty of that! Thank you, French Club, for the joy brought to campus!

The WCA McTeacher Night is tonight! Please join Mr. Dice and all at the Hillsdale McDonald's from 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm to share a meal and to view the beautiful artwork that is on display. This is a come and go event, so run in or stay awhile; whatever your schedule allows! WCA's Fine Arts department will receive a percentage of all sales to put back into this wonderful program. Thank you to Mr. Dice and the students for preparing for this special evening. Make sure you stop to say, "HI!" to me as I will be sure to include you in the prize drawings tomorrow at Opening Ceremony!

The Cougar Basketball Athletic Banquet is tomorrow, Tuesday, March 19th at 6:00 pm. Your athlete's coach(es) hopefully connected with you about this event. Please see the Cougar News for details about the pizza as we are asking for a donation to enjoy that option. I look forward to celebrating the winter sports and all of the teams' accomplishments. #COUGARSTRONG

Third quarter report cards are included in your mailer today for all kindergarten through 8th grade students as well as for all Exploration Program students. All high school report cards were mailed last Friday. Our Honor Roll Ceremony for the third quarter will be Wednesday, April 3rd at Opening Ceremony. I hope you can join us to celebrate the academic accomplishments of our students.

Parent Conferences are this week on Thursday. If you haven't called to schedule yours, please do! 😊 Childcare will be provided for those families who need it. Please see the flier included in your mailer last week for details. (Please be reminded that it is most productive if children are not present during conferences. Please use the childcare option so that conversations between parent and teacher can be open and honest. Thank you!)

School Closet will be on campus on Thursday. If you need an appointment, please contact the office.

The Parent Forum included their nomination ballot for next year's slate of officers in last week's mailer. Perhaps this is the year for you to consider serving our academy? Think about it! These nominations are due to the WCA office on Wednesday, March 20th.

Speaking of serving...the Board of Directors will also have an open seat for someone to serve as a trustee for an upcoming three year term. This commitment is something that I hope some of you will consider. Your service on the board affects all students, faculty and families of Will Carleton Academy. It is a perfect opportunity to give back and support all involved. I am happy to talk with anyone about this opportunity. Please be watching upcoming mailers about the details of this opening.

The idea of a WCA Robotics Team keeps circling back around to me. I love this idea but to find the leadership of this unique club has been my challenge. If you are interested in supporting this new endeavor for the fall, please let me know. Details of that leadership team will need to be ironed out soon. It truly will take a few folks to bring this together for WCA students to be successful. I look forward to hearing from you!

A reminder from the office about water bottles. The only thing in those bottles during school should be water. Lemonade, juice, sports drinks, etc. are not allowable in the water bottles. And, please be reminded that soda pop is not acceptable during lunch for students, either. These are long-standing expectations and your support with this is appreciated.

Please keep the snow gear coming for all K-6th grade students. The playground can be muddy and frankly, this gear keeps the chill off while out at recess. Just one more week! Upon our return from Spring Break on Tuesday, April 2nd, winter gear can be a thing of the past! Thank you for your support with this long-standing request.

Speaking of Spring Break, please be reminded of the early dismissal on Thursday, March 21st which begins our Spring Break for the students, and after Parent Teacher Conferences for the faculty and parents. Have a wonderful time off next week. The break is well-deserved by students and staff; I look forward to some downtime with those I love! Make a memory or two and enjoy the change of pace that next week will bring. Upon our return, I look forward to seeing the smiling faces of the students on Tuesday, April 2nd at Opening Ceremony.

Have a great week!

Be well,

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