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Dear Will Carleton Academy Families,

It certainly didn't feel like March this weekend! The people out and about in shorts and t-shirts amazed me. I do enjoy the sunshine, but perhaps I am a bit more hesitant to dig out my summer clothes.

Good luck to our varsity women this evening as they play in their first round of district play at 7:00 pm at Concord High School. Play your game, ladies! Show your sportsmanship as we know it! Your Cougar Family is proud of you!

Teacher letters are included in your mailer this week. I love reading those to keep up on all of the happenings in each classroom. Please take a minute to read them for yourself. They are full of great information!

Next Thursday is 3/14 which in the mathematical world is Pi Day! Pi, or 3.14, is a number that our math students become very familiar with and offers a great opportunity for lots of puns on March 14th. Please see the flier in the Monday Mailer about how you can support the French Club and also have some fun with Pi Day and our staff. Should be a delicious day!

The most recent NWEA scores for students K-10th grades are included in your mailer today as well. Please take a look at this information. The teachers and I have spent lots of time with these scores together as a faculty, in grade level discussions and with interventionists on campus to be sure that we are doing all that we can to support your children in the classrooms. Please call with any questions. We are here to help you understand and to support you.

Open Enrollment for new students ends this week on Wednesday, March 6th. If you know of a family who might be considering enrolling at WCA in the fall, please encourage them to contact the office for application information. We are thrilled to talk with anyone about our little school. After all, it is a good place to be!

Be reminded that this Friday, March 8th brings the last day of the third quarter and an early dismissal for all students at 11:40 am. The teachers will spend their afternoon working on final grading and report cards to officially bring the last 10 weeks to a close. Report cards will go home on Monday, March 18th in your Monday Mailers.

With third quarter report cards come your second opportunity this academic year to participate in Parent Teacher Conferences which will be held on Thursday, March 21st. Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Miller will be ready for your scheduling calls next Monday, March 11th. Mark your calendars to call and secure a time to talk with your teachers about your student and their progress. Nothing is more important than that support from home!

This Friday, March 8th is also an 8th grade fundraiser at Dairy Queen in Hillsdale. The students will receive a percentage of all sales that day for their spring 2024 trip to Washington, DC. Might be the perfect day to take the troops for lunch or dinner; just a thought! Enjoy!

The Student Council has included a flier about the Dodge 'Em Classic! That family event will be on Friday, March 15th. If my hunches prove correct, this should be a great night for all! The students get so excited for this and staff participation is always great for this fun night. Hope to see you there!

March is Reading Month is off to a great start on campus. The Book Bingo event last week, as well as the *Leap into March is Reading Month* character or green dress day were perfect! Just what we needed to get things rolling! Ask your children about the giant BINGO board in the hallway and what their class is doing to reach the ultimate goal of a BINGO. Should be an added bonus to this month!

Have a great week!

Be well,

Colleen a. Vogit