



STEM Festival Bigger than Ever

The STEM Festival is next week! There are over twenty groups lined up for hands-on fun and demonstrations (our biggest lab turnout ever), from MSU Science Theater and Future Forensic Scientists to the Abrams Planetarium and LEGO Robotics. Please join us for this free event November 10 from 6:00-7:30pm to have fun with the visiting labs and get inspired about STEM!



Spirit Wear!



Shirts will be available for sale at the STEM Festival, while supplies last.



PawPalooza is Coming!

Last year's PlaygroundPalooza was a fun evening out for kids and grown-ups alike, with food, dancing, and more. Save the date for our PawPalooza on Friday, January 20! Now that the new playground has been installed, proceeds from the 2017 event will go to two other areas identified by the WSA and Principal Wells: the Book Room and Wharton Center tickets for every child in the school to attend a show on a field trip. This year in addition to a silent auction with class baskets (funds raised from the top-bid basket will go back to that classroom!), there will be a live auction featuring art created by our own Wolves.

Another exciting aspect of PawPalooza will be opening a time capsule (have you ever noticed it? check the wall near the gym entrance!) left in 1992 with instructions to open it in 2017!

We are seeking a few volunteers to serve on the event planning committee with chair Elizabeth Ivkovich. Please contact the WSA if you are interested in lending a helping paw for this fun event.



Seeking donations
for the silent auction!
If you (or your company) have something to contribute, please contact us!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Whitehills STEM Festival

Thursday, November 10
6:00-7:30pm
Location: Whitehills Gym

WSA Meeting

Tuesday, November 15, 7:00pm
Location: Whitehills Library

Marco's Pizza Night

Thursday, November 17
Location: Your house!

Science Club

Friday, November 18
3:35-5:30pm
Location: Art Room

No School

Wednesday-Friday,
November 23-25

Popcorn Friday

Friday, December 2

Box Tops Winter I Deadline

Friday, December 2

Bookaneer Book Fair

Monday-Friday, December 5-9
Location: Whitehills Library

Aaaaaaar!
We be needing
Bookaneer
Volunteers,
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Treasurer: Jeff Hicks
Secretary: Elizabeth Ivkovich

Meetings

At 7:00pm, second Tuesday of each month in the library

WOLF PACK WRITERS

Proudly featuring the work of Whitehills students



A Thankful Time of Year

by Kira Ridley

Hello, students of Whitehills. I have interviewed some of my classmates and my teacher on what they are thankful for this time of year. I interviewed Camrie Holmes, David Foster, Sarah Hampton, and my teacher, Ms. Kim Foley. Camrie said she is thankful for her family and having good friends. She also said she is thankful for not having any health problems, having a good school, and having food on the table. David said that he is thankful for family and friends and having fun at school. Sarah said she is thankful for shelter,



water, food, family, friends, and a wonderful school. Ms. Foley said that she is thankful for her three children, her good health, and her fun job. She is also thankful for nature and quiet places, because she likes to kayak and canoe in her spare time. I am thankful for my family and friends and for being able to go to a great school like Whitehills. I hope that these thoughts make you think about what you are thankful for during the upcoming holiday season and beyond.

Spotlight on Our School Social Worker: Mr. Anderson

by Tara Sidhu

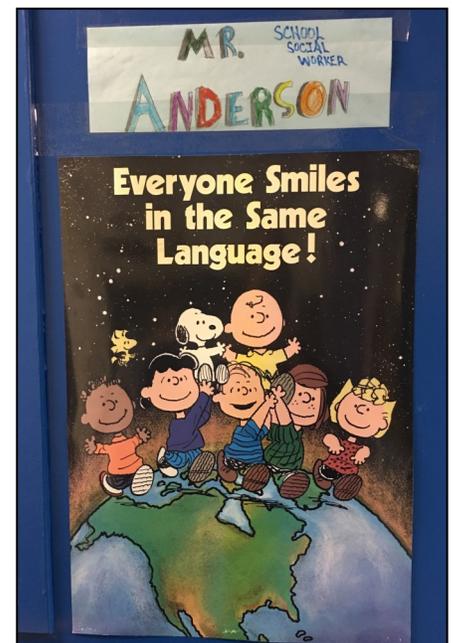
Students of Whitehills Elementary are lucky to have Mr. Anderson as our social worker. He helps Whitehills students when they are struggling with something or have conflicts with other students so that relationships between students—or between students and teachers—are strong bonds and students can be successful. He always gets things done by their deadlines but can still be pulled out of doing them because of conflicts or emergencies or students needing someone to talk to. His job can be very difficult but he always does it with a smile on his face. I know how busy he always is because it was so hard to get a hold of him for this article! One way he solves conflicts is by getting the students who are having a conflict together and getting to the root of the problem with them so that the problem is easier to solve.

ABOUT THE AUTHORS

Kira Ridley is a fourth grader in Ms. Foley's class. Her favorite subject is math, and she likes drawing, reading, and fashion.

Fourth grader **Tara Sidhu** is in Ms. Desilets' class. She likes to read, write, and play with her boxer puppy, Pepper.

When he's not at school, Mr. Anderson enjoys good movies, time with friends, trying new foods and exercising or creating art. He thinks this picture (you can see it on his office door) best shows who he is because he believes that everyone smiles in the same language.



Have an idea for an article? Contact us at whitehillsparents@gmail.com.