

February 16, 2024

WOODLAND

Newsletter: Creative Characters Shine On The 100th Day



Great job to our Kindergarten and 8th grade for sharing their Valentine's wishes with us!

Reminders/ Links

[Student Union 5-8 Dance Flyer](#)

[PIZZA FRIDAY FLYER](#)

[PLEASE CLICK HERE FOR THE 8TH GRADE YEARBOOK TRIBUTE PAGES FLIER](#)

We will be starting Mathletics with Woodland students in the coming week:
[Mathletics Parent Information Video](#)

Mr. Lowe has started to share login codes with his students, and we will continue to implement Mathletics through our younger grades this week as well.

[Mathletics Parent Information Packet](#)

Please note: your individual student login is not attached here.

[NorEaster Nick's 7-Day Forecast](#)

Please make sure students have warm clothes for outdoor play.

Upcoming Dates

February 16- 19: Mid Winter Break: No School Monday

February 20: Classes Resume

February 23: Interim Progress Reports

February 23: Student Union Dance: Grades 5-8

February 26: Woodland vs Stow Creek

March 1: Recycling Assembly

March 7: Preschool Parents' Visiting Day

March 7: Kindergarten Orientation

March 9: Designer Bag Bingo

*March 9/10: Woodland Beautification Weekend!
Please save the dates on your calendars!*

March 11-15: Spring Book Fair

March 12: WOODLAND SCIENCE FAIR!!!

March 15: Grandparents' Day!

March 16- April 1: SPRING BREAK!

April 2: Classes Resume

Mrs. May to Foster Achievement in Grade 4

As we have been working to bring an outstanding teacher and representative of Woodland's virtues to serve our remarkable 4th grade program in preparation for Upper School, we are delighted to announce Mrs. Jennifer May will serve as our full-time 4th grade teacher for the remainder of the school year. Mrs. May will continue to teach her Latin Classes while 4th grade students enjoy their Specials.

Mrs. May has been a credentialed faculty member of Woodland for 22 years, is an alumnus of the class of '91 (go White Team!), and has had her two children attend Woodland from Pre-K to 8, graduating in 2018 and 2021. Mrs. May embodies Woodland, is passionate about supporting students, and has an excellent blend of establishing expectations, while remaining compassionate and uplifting to those in our community.

Mrs. May is an outstanding educator capable of helping 4th grade develop a successful transition into the demands of a high-achieving Upper School academic program. We are delighted and grateful Mrs. May will lend her care and efforts to the success of Woodland's 4th grade and look forward to seeing them flourish as she fosters their growth.



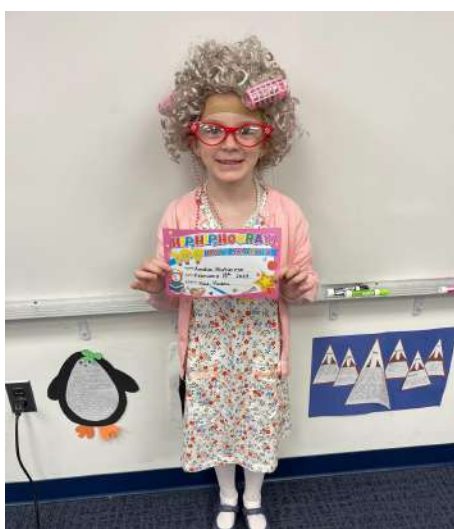
Setting Our Kids Up For Success

As busy adults who are often successful in our own craft, we tend to put effort into our children while missing simple successes that make so much of our parenting productive. Stepping back, we can see that much of what we do to make our households run efficiently comes from routine. Successful classrooms are built in the same manner, and if we are honest with ourselves, many personal accomplishments as well. However, what we may miss is the simple routine of *study times and study places*, which support our children as a structure that will help them accomplish the work and growth we all hope for.

A study time and study place sounds simple but becomes more complicated when we look at our lives and homes. The most effective study times and places work to provide the exact same environment each day with the exact same expectations with the exact same priorities (your children's work). Critically, these should be without distraction, anything that feeds the curiosity of our surroundings, and is stable. Many suggestions will also cite, well-lit, ergonomic, decorated, inspired, and on and on... However, the critical elements that build success in each of us are simple expectations set to accomplish a given task within a given set of time, with the space and opportunity to do so.

Please take a moment to consider what the total environment is like for your children as we work to get them set for a challenging curriculum and academic success. Something as simple as a quiet household for 30-45 minutes each day, with everyone slowing things down to do the same, pays huge dividends over time. A quiet kitchen table or quiet kitchen counter can go further than you think, if consistent and supportive to the goals at hand.

Photos From The Week!



THANK YOU TO OUR INCREDIBLE TEACHERS AND STUDENTS WHO MADE THIS WEEK SPECIAL WITH 100TH DAY ACTIVITIES AND VALENTINE'S CELEBRATIONS!

