

Terrier Times

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From the Superintendent's Desk

Jane Mulholland, Superintendent

Dear WSD Families:

The traditional approach to the new year is to make resolutions about what we will change—regular exercise, eating right, sleeping more, nurturing relationships, to name a few of the most popular ones. But as we head into 2014, instead of beating yourself up about what you need to do better, I'd like to suggest you take stock of all the things you are doing well, especially as they relate to being a parent.

If you are reading this newsletter, it shows you care about what your child is doing at school. If you came to WSD's Open House in September, have exchanged emails with teacher(s) and SLCs, called to ask about a behavior report, attended a sign language class or a Family Academy Night, helped with homework, watched a sporting event, exposed your child to activities in your community . . . all these and many more are the things you do every day to show your children you care about who they are, you accept and love them, and you are proud of the people they are becoming.

Our students need to get a clear message that they are healthy, smart, capable, creative, interesting young people who have the ability to conquer the world. They need to get this message from you, their parents, as well as from all of us in their educational environment. Being deaf is not a barrier; in fact, it sometimes opens doors and makes available opportunities that wouldn't otherwise be there. It is critical we help students to see all the possibilities that exist for them and not focus on limitations. How many children do you know today who are growing up bilingual? That in itself is an awesome accomplishment!

So as you approach the New Year, I urge you to continue to be the great parents you already are. If you feel compelled to make a goal for the new year, think about how you can let others know about the opportunities that are available at WSD for students who are deaf or hard of hearing at WSD, and how we can work together to make our school stronger and our children—the future leaders and tax payers of tomorrow—more successful.

Washington School for the Deaf
Presents...



ASL Poetry Competition

March 6, 2014 at 9:30am-2:45pm

Washington School for the Deaf - Lloyd Auditorium - 611 Grand Blvd, Vancouver, WA
For more information contact Kelly Moore at 360-696-6525 x4362 or kelly.moore@cdhl.wa.gov

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in fact, it sometimes opens
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Year of the Parent!





Parents & Terrier Pups!

Shauna Bilyeu, Elementary Principal



Winter is upon us! I want to take this opportunity to remind you of our school operations during inclement weather. We are very rarely closed due to the number of residential students that live on campus during the week. However, since we contract with the ESD for transportation of our local students, if the district in which you live in is **CLOSED** or on a late start, transportation for your child will follow that district's operations. You are always welcome to transport your child on your own if the buses are not running (however, do stay safe).

School Safety

Everybody Working Together



I posted this on our [Facebook](#) page, but I would also like to mention it here: I am in the midst of reviewing our safety procedures. With the one year anniversary of Newtown, I am reminded that we can never, ever take things for granted. With this in mind, I am tightening up the locked door schedule for Northrop. The doors will only be unlocked during the following times: 7:30-8:15 am/11:00-11:35 am/2:50-3:30 pm.

If you arrive at any other time, please ring the doorbell on the far left and someone will let you in. Have a wonderful, SAFE January!

Washington Green Schools!

Jennifer Ellis, Math Teacher

WSD is in the process of obtaining certification from WA Green Schools for being GREEN. There are six categories of certification and we are starting with waste and recycling. There are six steps to become certified: 1) Build a Green Team. 2) Assess our school and submit a report card. 3) Take action to make sustainable change. 4) Verify our impact. 5) Share our story. 6) Certify & celebrate. Our Green Team has been established and we are currently conducting an in-depth assessment of our waste and recycling practices. This is a real life application experience involving math, science, social studies and bilingual language development. We would like to thank Clark County Waste Connection for helping us!

On December 6th the Green Team did an audit of all the garbage on campus (thumbs up to Clarke Hall for having the highest ratio of recycling vs trash). Look for our official report to be published soon. Next students will begin their campaign to make a positive sustainable change. For more information on WA Green Schools visit their website at <http://www.wagreenschools.org> or email questions to Jennifer Ellis at jennifer.ellis@cdhl.wa.gov



Come support WSD Athletes!



Lady Terriers [BASKETBALL SCHEDULE](#)

- January 7 vs. PJII 7:00pm
- January 9 vs. 3 Rivers Christian 7:00pm
- January 14 @ OSD 7:00pm
- January 16 vs. Columbia Advent. 7:00pm
- January 21 @ Firm Foundation 7:00pm
- January 28 @ 3 Rivers Christian 7:00pm

Terriers [BASKETBALL SCHEDULE](#)

- January 7 vs. PJII 5:30pm
- January 9 vs. 3 Rivers Christian 5:30pm
- January 14 @ OSD 5:30pm
- January 16 vs. Columbia Advent. 5:30pm
- January 23 vs. Fort Vancouver 7:00pm
- January 28 @ 3 Rivers Christian 5:30pm



January Calendar

January 9 - Early Release
 January 20 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day (no school)
 January 29-Feb 1 2014 - Western States Basketball & Cheerleading Classic (no school)
 Travel Days 5, 10, 12, 17, 20, 24, 26, 29



WSBC/WSCC



Congratulations to our 2 student-athletes recognized by the National Deaf Interscholastic Athletic Association for their excellence on the gridiron!

1st team All-American
 Wyatt Hurd

Honorable Mention
 All-American Jacob Tufton



Wyatt Hurd Washington 11 5'6" 125 HB/FS
 Scoring: 6 TDs; Rushing: 88 for 617, 6 TDs; Tackling: 51 solo (best game - 14 tackles vs MMK). The reason the team allowed more than 30 percent less points than in 2012 is because of this player! He stopped many plays from being big gains and touchdowns. He led the team the first 4 games with 35 tackles, 1 TFL, 1 FR until Jacob took over at OLB and created less work for Wyatt the last 4 games. Wyatt finished the season with 51 tackles, 2 TFL, and 1 fumble recovery.



Jacob Tufton Washington 9 5'7" 125 OLB
 Scoring: 1 - 2 PT; Rushing: 14 for 18; Interception: 1 for 19; Tackling: 43 solo, 1 QB sack. He did not get a start until 5th game due to being new to football but once he proved his worth, he never looked back. He was the positive emotional backbone of the team and gave 110 percent on and off the field to his team. The last 4 games in which he started, he had 32 tackles, 2 TFL, 1 sack, 1 interception (returned for 19 yards), 1 fumble recovery, and 5 passes defended.

Middle School Basketball Preseason Press Release

Nathan Boyes (Snap), PE/Health Teacher

The Young Terriers break tradition by returning to the court two months earlier than in the past. The reason is that they are headed to the National Deaf Middle School Basketball tournament in Tucson, AZ, "The Iron 5", in February 2014. This tournament invites the biggest and the best Deaf squads in the country. The team returns 3 starters, the 6th and 7th man off the bench to make up the starting 5 for this year's season. These 5 players are playing for the third year in a row under Head Coach Nathan "Snap" Boyes and Assistant Coach Carmine Faella.



The squad ended last year on a 4-win streak, averaging 39 points on offense while the defense held the visitors to an average of 20 points a game. They finished the season 7-2. 8th Grader Jacob Tufton and 7th Grader Cristian Martinez-White will lead the team as they share responsibility of controlling the tempo of the game. The returning 5 accounted for 63 percent of the offense with the remaining 37 percent being lost to 4 players who graduated to high school.

Buy a fundraising shirt for \$20 so the boys can go to the National Middle School Deaf Tournament "The Iron 5" in February!

We look forward to picking up where we left off last season, running, passing, and making smooth transitions to achieve team victories. The team also received recognition from the WIAA for having a team GPA of 3.0 or better. This will be a goal we will build on and strive for an improved GPA total this year. -Coach Snap





Student of the Month

J. Piper Gallucci, MS Teacher

To help WSD students navigate their social and academic lives more successfully WSD participates in the Positive Behavior and Interventions System (PBIS). PBIS is an approach to ensuring a safe and productive learning environment. There are established school-wide expectations to help your child know the behaviors needed to achieve her or his, personal best. The rules guide children to become successful, independent adults. Rules are explicitly taught at the beginning of the school year and regularly reviewed. The secondary program classroom rules are:

- Follow the 3 R's
- Be On Time
- Be Prepared
- Attend to Presenter
- Support Everyone's Learning

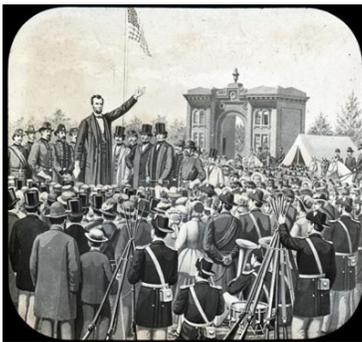
Student of the month is one of the ways the secondary program recognizes student success. The student of the month assembly is on the third Wednesday of each month. Categories are: Amazing Attending, 3 R Superstar, Stupendous Spirit, Momentous Motivation, Inspiring Improvement, and Super Supportive.

Student of the month honorees will be announced in each parent newsletter. We believe that by helping students practice positive behavior, we will build a school community where all students have an environment where they can succeed and grow.

We would like your input and your involvement. Please contact us at school if you have any questions or need further information. Thank you for your support!

Students Give the Gettysburg Address

J. Piper Gallucci, MS Teacher



On November 19, 1863, Abraham Lincoln gave his, now famous, Gettysburg Address. The National Parks Service made a film to commemorate this event. Abraham Lincoln had strong ties to the Pacific Northwest, and the Fort Vancouver National Parks Service made a video to illustrate this historic connection. They invited students from a variety of local schools to participate in reciting the Gettysburg Address, including the Washington School for the Deaf. Four students were involved in this project:

Juan Gayton-Arroyo, Jadzia Ingram, Mai Truong, and Cristian Martinez-White all signed parts of the Gettysburg Address and then shared why Abraham Lincoln holds special meaning to them.

The video was shown at a November 19th reception at Fort Vancouver, and will be posted on the National Parks Service website.



MS "A" Honor

Jadzia Ingram	3.93
Ashantay Truong	3.88
Cristian Martinez-White	3.58
ATaylor Payne	3.57
John Smart	3.57
Kaja Stone	3.54

MS "B" Honor

Jacob Tufton	3.33
Caleb Plock	3.25
Zhano Ingram	3.14
Hajer Ameen	3.05
Etasha Stone	3.02

HS "A" Honor

Sandeep Singh	3.83
Maria Preciado	3.80
Patrick Saturay	3.78
Miguel Peregrino	3.77
Miguel Flores	3.73
Marco Gomez	3.73
Adam Arntzen	3.69
Wyatt Hurd	3.67
Maria Velez	3.66
Juan Gaytan Arroyo	3.62
Clemente Martinez	3.62
Colton Hurd	3.61
Jerome Marvel	3.61
Randall Smith	3.57
Yajaira Bedolla	3.53

HS "B" Honor

LaSinda Rivas	3.44
Hilda Beltran-Lopez	3.40
Trevor Dockter	3.40
Juan Aust	3.38
Luis Herrera-Guerrero	3.37
Bethany Shaver	3.35
Tredynn Selvoe	3.30
Joel Castro	3.29
Bayond Mawlood	3.29
Cesar Sanchez	3.28
Kyle Culmer	3.27
Haili St Louis	3.27
Uma Strempler	3.25
Andrew Fick	3.20
Sarah Lasco	3.18
Norinston Joe	3.17
Samantha Rowland	3.17
Joshua Marvel	3.14
Dane Stewart	3.14
Maria Lopez	3.13
Kayla Girard	3.06
Madeline Forbes	3.05
Jeremy Descloux	3.03
Alexandria DiCapua	3.02
Brandy Pietsch	3.00



Abraham Lincoln