

Wallace Warrior Wednesday Letter

Wallace Grade School
District 195

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***Thank you to everyone that took part in Family Reading Night! A great time was had by all.**

****Want to get rid of items that are cluttering your house/garage/basement? 8th grade garage sale is Saturday, April 10.**

-Cheer Clinic/BIG GAME

-Wallace Grade School Awarded Academic Excellence Award!

-8th Grade Garage Sale Will Be Held on April 10th

-Cell Phones in School Zones/No Texting while Driving

Cheer Clinic/ BIG GAME:

A cheer clinic will be held on April 20 for girls in grades kindergarten through 4th grade. The clinic will run from after school till 6:00 p.m. Girls will cheer in the BIG GAME to be held on Thursday, April 22. Signup forms will be sent home this month. The BIG GAME is a parent/8th grade athlete contest where the 8th grade girls' volleyball team will play their mothers in volleyball and the 8th grade boys' basketball team will play their fathers in basketball. There are fan activities throughout the event. All money raised supports the 8th grade class trip. If interested in sponsoring this event or if you know a business/individual that would like to sponsor, please call the school, and we get you in touch with Mr. Crum.



Congratulations Wallace Grade School! Congratulations to students, educators, and families for demonstrating long-term commitment to the highest quality of education.

Wallace Grade School has received the Academic Excellence Award for exemplary academic performance on the Illinois Learning Standards through the State Board of Education. To earn an Academic Excellence Award, a school must meet the following criteria: 90% of students must have met or exceeded state standards in both reading and mathematics for at least three consecutive years and have an attendance rate of at least 90%. Congratulations on this achievement. Continue to "show what you know" as we take State ISAT tests in March.



8th Grade Garage Sale: A garage sale will be held on Saturday, April 10, at Wallace Grade School. The class is looking for donations of unwanted items. Please start cleaning out your house, basement, garage. The garage sale is open to everyone to attend. Please start spreading the word. Additionally, the sale will occur rain or shine as the event will take place in the gymnasium.



Cell Phone Use in School Zones:

The law prohibits any driver from using a cell phone while operating a motor vehicle on a roadway in a school speed zone or construction zone. Texting while driving is also prohibited as of January 1, 2010. There are several "Life or Text" campaigns occurring.



UPCOMING EVENTS

3rd Quarter Ends, Friday, March 12. Reports to be sent home on March 17.

8th Grade Shots, Thursday, March 18. (LaSalle County School Services will be here in the afternoon.)

State Spelling Bee, Friday, March 19. Good luck Alex Keene!

Regional Science Fair, Saturday, March 20, at N.I.U. Good luck Anna S., Alex K., Alex C., Shannon K., Christian B., and Luke W.!

8th Grade D.C. Meeting, Saturday, March 20, 6:00 p.m., in multi-purpose room.

Wax Museum, March 24, 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., in the gym.

Meetings, March 24, Athletic Advisory, Parents' Club, School Board.

Parents' Club:

-Sam's Pizza Night, March 15. A donation will be made to Parents' Club for every pizza ordered.

Parents' Club is looking for a Chairperson or 2 people to Co-Chair T-Ball. If interested, please contact Dawn Girka at 815-431-9150.

-Parents' Club meeting, March 24, 6:30 p.m., in the multi-purpose room.

-Pork Chop Dinner is April 17. Please mark this date on your calendar!



CHARACTER COUNTS!



-Character Counts—FAIRNESS Wear Orange on Thursday, March 11 -Ground Breaking Ceremony

Character Counts: March is Fairness Month. When you are being fair, you:

- Play by the rules
- Take turns and share
- Be open-minded and listen to others
- Don't take advantage of others
- Don't blame others carelessly
- Think before you decide

Please wear orange on Thursday, March 11th to celebrate being fair.

Ground Breaking: A ground breaking ceremony will take place on Monday, March 15, at 2:00 p.m. for our future construction. The following students were randomly selected to take part in the ceremony. One student was selected per grade to represent their class.



K-Whitney Stone

1st-Jon Liu

2nd-John Vandervort

3rd-Maggie Hettel

4th-Mallory Pitstick

5th-Stoyan Georgieva

6th-Bethany Crum

7th-Trey Burnley

8th-Veronica Tovar



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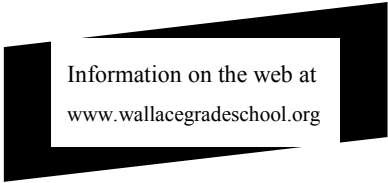
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*The Wallace School Family learns
and grows together.*



Upcoming Events/Dates:

- Quarter Ends, March 12.
- 8th Grade Wax Museum, March 24.
- Spring Break, dismiss at 1:30 p.m. on March 26. Return on April 6.
- 8th Grade Garage Sale, April 10.
- Pork Chop Dinner, April 17.



• **VOLLEYBALL**

Upcoming games: Regional information can be found at www.iesa.org.

• **ACADEMIC**

Upcoming meets: March 11, at Grand Ridge, 3:30 p.m., March 13, Wallace Tournament, 8:00 a.m., March 17, at Marseilles Elementary, 3:45 p.m., March 25, at Tonica, 3:45 p.m.



• **WALLACE ATHLETIC CLUB WEBSITE**

<http://www.wallaceathleticclub.org>

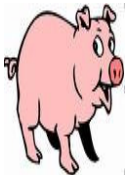
—Order school spirit clothing, check sport schedules, WAC info.

• **TRACK**

Students need a current physical on file to tryout. Physicals are good for one year from the date of exam. A practice schedule will be released soon.

Important Information!

Pork Chop Dinner:



Parents' Club annual Pork Chop Dinner is begin held on Saturday, April 17. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. This is a great opportunity to eat a terrific meal, socialize with great people, and contribute to Parents' Club.

Job Opening: We are currently accepting applications for a 4th grade teacher for next year. If interested, send letter of application, resume, copy of transcripts and certificate, and three letters of reference to Chris Dvorak by April 9.

Script Information:

Pickup will be Saturday, March 13th, at Market Day. Don't forget, you can place you order on line - visit www.shopwithscrip.com to register and use enrollment code FB3DLBFB2257L. If you have any questions please call Karen Karoghlanian at 815-433-4026.

**Ink Cartridges/
Cell Phones for
Wallace Grade**



School: Old ink cartridges and cell phones can be donated to Wallace Grade School with proceeds funding technology needs. Items can be dropped off in the main office.

Joliet Jackhammer Reading Incentive Program:



Students in K-4 have begun a reading incentive program through the Joliet Jackhammer Baseball Team. Students have eight weeks to meet their reading goals. Program will end on April 9.

Bake Sale:



Thank you to all students that took part in our first bake sale. Over \$300 was made for the Susan B. Komen foundation.

Preschool Registration:

Preschool registration is open to both Wallace and non-Wallace residents. If interested in signing a child up, please contact the main office, and we will send information home.