



# News From The Woods

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## DATES TO Remember

Feb. 19	2 HOUR EARLY DISMISSAL (1:40 pm) - Staff Professional Development
Feb. 21	NO SCHOOL – Teacher Work Day
Feb. 26	2 HOUR EARLY DISMISSAL (1:40 pm) - Staff Professional Development
Mar. 1 – 7	Student Involved Conferences
Mar. 5	2 HOUR EARLY DISMISSAL (1:40 pm) - Staff Professional Development
Mar. 14	NO SCHOOL – Teacher Work Day
Mar. 17-21	NO SCHOOL – Spring Break
Mar. 24	School Resumes
Mar. 26	2 HOUR EARLY DISMISSAL (1:40 pm) - Staff Professional Development
Apr. 2	2 HOUR EARLY DISMISSAL (1:40 pm) - Staff Professional Development
Apr. 16	2 HOUR EARLY DISMISSAL (1:40 pm) - Staff Professional Development
May 14	2 HOUR EARLY DISMISSAL (1:40 pm) - Staff Professional Development
May 26	NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day
May 29	Last Day of School

## MUSIC CONCERT DATES

2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	February 25 @ WDES 6:00pm
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	April 14th @ HS 6:30pm (new date)
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	April 15th @ WDES 6:00pm
Kindergarten	May 6th @ WDES 6:00pm



## News from the Related Arts Team

Art – Miss Oetken

<http://blogs.waukee.k12.ia.us/koetken/>

Computers – Mrs. Magee

<http://blogs.waukee.k12.ia.us/kmagee/>

Music – Miss Fuemmeler

<http://blogs.waukee.k12.ia.us/wdesmusic/>

PE – Mr. Beenken

<http://blogs.waukee.k12.ia.us/sbeenken/>

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Band – Mrs. Menke

<http://blogs.waukee.k12.ia.us/emenke/>

Library – Mrs. Poppens

<http://blogs.waukee.k12.ia.us/poppens/>

Guidance – Mrs. Mavis

<https://blogs.waukeeschools.org/kmavis/>

## Related Arts Team: Conference Hours

Regularly scheduled hours for conferences are as follows:

**Wednesday, March 5 from 2:00 – 4:00 pm**

**Thursday, March 6 from 4:00 -8:00 pm**

In addition to the above times, related arts teachers at Woodland Hills will be available during the following times:

**Art – Miss Oetken**

Monday, Mar. 3 7:00-8:00 am

Tuesday, Mar. 4 7:00-8:00 am

Wed., Mar. 5 7:00-8:00 am

Thursday Mar. 6 7:00-8:00 am

**Computers – Mrs. Magee**

Saturday, Mar. 1 8:00 – 12:00 pm

**PE – Mr. Beenken**

Saturday, Mar. 1 8:00 – 12:00 pm

**Music – Miss Fuemmeler**

Monday, Mar. 3 4:00 – 6:00 pm

Wed., Mar. 5 4:00 – 6:00 pm

**Library – Mrs. Poppens**

Saturday, Mar. 1 8:00 – 12:00 pm

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade Band – Mrs. Menke**

Tuesday, Mar. 4 4:00 – 6:00 pm

**Guidance – Mrs. Mavis**

Tuesday, Mar. 4 4:00 – 8:00 pm

## When is the Last Day of School?

The Waukee CSD Calendar has been adjusted for days missed due to inclement weather. The last student day will now be Thursday, May 29. To download a copy of the 2013-2014 calendar, go to the following link:

[https://www.waukeeschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/06/2013\\_14.pdf](https://www.waukeeschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/06/2013_14.pdf)

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## Kindergarten Registration for 2014-2015

Check the Waukee Community Schools website for more information!

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## Waukee Backpack

Waukee Backpack is Waukee Community School District's "green" approach to distributing information from non-profit and school sponsored activities.

Waukee Backpack is a blog site that host school sponsored and non-profit informational flyers. Waukee Backpack is accessible from the Waukee School District homepage or by visiting:

<http://blogs.waukee.k12.ia.us/waukeebackpack/>



## Bundle Up For Recess

Students go outside for recess everyday unless the wind chill is 0 degrees or below. Students are not allowed to stay indoors for recess without a medical excuse. Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately. Hats and gloves are especially important during the winter months. Boots and snow pants are needed when there is snow on the ground. On snowy days, students are required to stay on the blacktop unless they are wearing boots and snow pants. Please remember to label all of your child's winter clothing.

## News from the Nurse

**Hearing Screening:** Woodland Hills students will be having their hearing screened during the week of February 17th. This is done by the Heartland AEA. You will be notified only if a problem is detected. If you prefer your student NOT be screened, please notify the office before this time.

**PE/Recess Excuses:** We can honor a note from a parent for a maximum of two days following an illness. If your child needs to stay inside or not participate in PE for longer than this time frame they will need an excuse from the doctor. Please refer to page 7 of the parent handbook.

**\*\*REMINDER:** Please remember to wash and return clothing items borrowed from the health office.\*\*

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## PTO News

**Next Meeting:** Thank you to everyone that attended the PTO meeting last month. We had a wonderful presentation from Dr. Wilkerson. Our next meeting will be our planning meeting for next year on April 21st at 7:00 in the Media Center. We hope you can join us!

**Family Fun Day:** Please mark your calendars and plan to attend Woodland Hills Family Fun Day on April 19th from 2-4pm at the school. We will have inflatables, games and snacks. The event is FREE to all Woodland Hills families. We will be raffling off themed baskets as well as Mego items that will be announced soon.

**Book Fair:** Please plan to attend the Woodland Hills Book Fair during Conference Week. Proceeds from the fair will go to classroom teachers. They will be able to take books from the fair and place them directly into their classroom libraries.

***We need dozens of volunteers to help at the book fair. Please use the link below to sign up to help. Thanks for your support.***

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49ACA728A5FC1-book1>

**Fine Arts:** Thanks to our Fine Arts Committee...Woodland Hills students will have the opportunity to attend a production at the Des Moines Civic Center or Temple Theater as part of Des Moines Performing Arts' Applause Series.

The schedules of performances (and the grades attending) is as follows:

- Feb. 7 - "Spirit of Uganda" (3rd grade)
- Feb. 12 - "I Am Jack" (2nd grade)
- Feb. 24 - "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" (kindergarten)
- March 6 - "We're Going on a Bear Hunt" (1st grade)
- April 30 - "Intergalactic Nemesis" (4th & 5th grade)

**Questions?** Please contact Allison Hamling at [ahamling6@gmail.com](mailto:ahamling6@gmail.com) or Brandy Case Haub at [brandycasehaub@gmail.com](mailto:brandycasehaub@gmail.com)

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