



OCTOBER PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

The school year is off to a **frightfully** fast start! With everyone's help and cooperation, the beginning of the year got off to a smooth start, even with the traffic challenges that the Reser Road project has presented. The staff at Prospect Point look forward to partnering with you as we work together to further your child's education. For more information, please visit our website <http://resources.wwps.org/prospectpoint/> or call us at 527-3088.

HOMEWORK CLUB — Our *after-school Homework Club* will begin meeting every **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday starting on October 4th from 3:00-4:00 pm**; and on early release **Wednesdays from 2:00-3:00 pm in the E3/E4 portable**. Our goal is to meet the needs of 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students who could benefit from extra help in their studies in a school setting. Children will be expected to work the full hour, but should bring a book to read quietly if they happen to finish their work early. There is no official sign-up required to participate, just a readiness to learn and work! Parents will be responsible for providing transportation after school on these days. Please contact your child's teacher if this is something you would like your child to join.

CONFERENCES — Fall conferences will be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, October 5th-7th during the following times:

Wednesday, Oct. 5th	3:30—7:00 pm
Thursday, October 6th	12:30—7:00 pm
Friday, October 7th	12:30—3:30 pm



Students will be dismissed from school at the regular 1:55 pm dismissal time on Wednesday. **Students will be dismissed early at 12:15 pm on both Thursday and Friday, Oct. 6-7 to allow for afternoon conferencing with parents.**

FunD FUNDRAISER — Thanks to all students and families for the money currently being raised to support our annual PTA FunD fundraiser! ***The final two money collection days*** will be on **Wednesday, October 5th and 12th from 8:00-8:30 am in the library**. All students will participate in the run on **Friday, October 14th from 10:00-10:30 am** whether they bring in pledge money or not. There are SO MANY great prizes that students can earn including popcorn parties at school, lunch with the Principal, being selected Principal for the Day, and a FREE family Movie Night here at school! One hundred percent (100%) of the money students collect will go directly to our PTA which funds wonderful programs including Miles Club, AR Store, Spring Carnival, Pizza Night, Ice Cream Social, Teacher Appreciation, Picture Lady, classroom and library media supplies, special assemblies, and technology in the classrooms.

THE MOM'S NETWORK — Walla Walla Public School's and the Mom's Network has teamed together to sponsor a Parent Workshop Series that focuses on family health and well being. All workshops will be held at the **YMCA** on Park Street, and will begin at **7:00 pm**. The next scheduled workshop will be on the topic of **"Stability and Sustainability in the Home,"** presented by Jenifer Clark on **Tuesday, Oct. 11th**. If you are interested in reserving a spot, please contact **Beth Swanson at 301-7471**, or beth@themomsnetworkww.com. This is a FREE workshop, with FREE child care available for participants. What a great deal! I hope many of you will be able to take advantage of this great series.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR — We are looking forward to another fun and successful Book Fair this fall with lots of books and items to help your child fall in love with reading! The Fair will be held in the E3 portable, and will be on the following days and times :

Wednesday, October 12th

8:00-12:00 noon AND 5:30-7:00 pm

Thursday, October 13th

8:00 am—3:45 pm

Friday, October 14th

8:00 am—2:45 pm



Please contact Librarian Jennifer Nicholson at jnicholson@wwps.org if you would be willing to help students and families with check-out as they come to do their shopping at the Fair.

FILL THE BUS — The school district in conjunction with the Walla Walla Realtor's Association is coordinating this year's "**Fill the Bus**" Food Drive on **Saturday, Oct. 15th** from **10:00—3:00 pm** at local grocery store locations. Prospect Point staff/students will be based at the Plaza Way Safeway. This is a terrific opportunity to show your support for our schools and more importantly, support our community and its families. Please consider purchasing a few extra items as you do your shopping and help us fill the Prospect Point Bus!!

PTA MEETING — Please join us for the upcoming PTA meeting on **Wednesday, October 19th at 7:00 pm in the library**. We welcome your ideas and participation in many of the events and activities PTA sponsors for Prospect Point students.

PICTURE DAY — Dorian Studios will be taking individual student pictures on **Thursday, October 20th** in the E3 portable. Picture packet information will be coming home soon with pricing and package combinations.

DOUGHNUTS WITH DADS — Mark your calendars for our annual **Doughnuts with Dads social** in the school **library from 7:15-8:15 am** on **Friday, Oct. 21st**. If dads are not able to attend, another relative or special friend may accompany students to enjoy reading a good book and eating a doughnut together.

SAM (Safety Always Matters) — The Walla Walla Fire Department will be teaching **fire safety** to grades K-5 students during the **mornings of Monday, and Tuesday, October 24-25**. Students will learn what can be done to prevent fires from starting, and what action to take if a fire begins in their home.

DENTAL SEALANTS — The Yakima Valley Farm Workers' Mobile Clinic is coming to provide **free dental sealants** to first, second, and third grade students here at school. Sealants have been scheduled for two days, **Thursday and Friday, October 27-28th from 8:30-2:30 pm** on-site. Permission forms will be sent home with students during the week of October 10th.

TRUNK OR TREAT! — Walla Walla High School's Key Club will be sponsoring "Trunk or Treat" on **Monday, October 31st from 5:00-7:00 pm** in the Wa-Hi

Science parking lot. There will be a variety of decorated cars sponsored by various Wa-Hi clubs that will be giving out candy to area children. Admission is one can of food per attendee. The food donations will be delivered to local food banks. Fliers with more information will be coming home with students in the next week, or you may contact Shelly Mann at smann@wwps.org.



PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Support) — This school year, we have expanded on the Shining Star concept and are incorporating monthly themes into the classroom to support and encourage positive character traits. During the month of October, the theme will be “**Responsibility**.” A total of nine character traits will be taught during the 2011-12 school year. Lessons will vary from grade to grade to be age appropriate. Our “Gotcha” system has also taken on a new look. Each day, students earn Gotcha cards from staff members for exhibiting any one or more of our core traits: **S**upport, **T**rust, **A**cceptance, and **R**espect. At the end of each day, a student name is drawn from the collection of grade level names submitted and recognized during the following morning’s announcements. We are excited to help students create a safe and caring school where students support each other. Please see the attached samples of lessons and discussion ideas to have with your child on this theme.

