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## Weekly Wissahickon 2-26-2021

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To: Jane Walsh <j.walsh@wissahickoncharter.org>

Fri, Feb 26, 2021 at 8:52 AM

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### All School Alumna Expo Links

K-2nd's expo will begin at 8:30- 9:15am

<https://zoom.us/j/94618621278?pwd=VmNWOXZiajQ3MUVYZmZHNytnNlorQT09>

Password: fox

3rd-8th grade will begin at 11:00am-12pm

<https://zoom.us/j/94618621278?pwd=VmNWOXZiajQ3MUVYZmZHNytnNlorQT09>

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### [Message from CEO](#)

Dear Families,

I am writing to share an important update for Kindergarten families. In addition to the Remote Access Center program we shared about a couple of weeks ago, Wissahickon will also be inviting all of our Kindergarten students to join a hybrid program beginning on April 26. We are still working on many of the details of this program but it will likely be a true hybrid program where students come into school two days a week to learn and spend three days learning remotely. Note: Kindergarten families can choose to stay totally remote if they prefer to. Next week, there will be more communication to all Kindergarten families with many more details. In the meantime, if your Kindergarten student was invited to be part of the Remote Access Center program, know that you will need to choose one or the other program. Your child cannot enroll in both. You do not have to make a choice until you know more about the Kindergarten program.

While we're busy at work with planning around bringing these select groups into the building, we are also working to build in safeguards so that the remote program continues to be strong.

Warmly,

Kristi

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## ***5 more days of Trimester 2 - Ends Thursday, March 4!***

"Doing the best at this moment puts you in the best place for the next moment"-Oprah

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### **Essential:**

#### **Up-to-date addresses**

We will be mailing packets and books to certain grades in the next week. Please email [a.oliphant@wissahickon.org](mailto:a.oliphant@wissahickon.org) if you have recently moved and need a change of address form. We need your most updated address on file to ensure that you receive your student's supplies!

#### **School Bus Route Letter**

You may have received a letter from the transportation department regarding your child's bus route. If you **have not** received a letter, **STOP HERE**. If you did receive a letter, please disregard it. Students selected to attend the access center will receive an additional letter regarding their transportation route and time. Please reach out to Ms. O at [a.oliphant@wissahickoncharter.org](mailto:a.oliphant@wissahickoncharter.org) with any transportation questions.

#### **Black History Month Activities**

I hope this message finds you all in good health!! I wanted to reach out and inform our families about some great upcoming activities to celebrate Black History Month! We will be doing two activities:

1) Family & Community Black History Video - interviewing an inspirational Black citizen in your family or community who has made an impact on your life, on the world or in Black culture.

2) Black History Month Virtual Zoom Background

- You can change your background to:

Any African-American person that has made an impact on society

An important place to Black communities

Any thing (ex. movement or art or sport or object) coming from or important to the Black community

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out and ask!

Mr. Randall

#### **Health Screenings for K, 1st and 6th Graders**

Please remember to sign up [here](#) for your child's health screening any Friday (from January 11th - March 19th). As a reminder, even if you have submitted your child's physical, they still must be screened by the school nurse. For more information, please refer to the Classtag message forwarded on Tuesday, January 5, 2021.

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## On Radar:

### Summer Camp Opportunity

The Morris Arboretum at the University of Pennsylvania, located in nearby Chestnut Hill, works with Wissahickon each summer to offer some of our students the opportunity to attend their camp. The Morris Arboretum will select one student per week (for a total of six weeks) to receive a scholarship to their Summer Adventure Camp. If you are interested in applying, please use the link [here](#) to access the application and submit it to [jgrubin@upenn.edu](mailto:jgrubin@upenn.edu)

### Black is Beautiful Initiative

This week's Black is Beautiful fact is from our **K-1st** grades.

**Fact:** Congress banned the importation of slaves from Africa.

**Important Date:** 01/01/1808

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## Reminders:

### Front Office (Closed)

The Front Office and our buildings will be closed to the public (except for meals) **until further notice**. Please email the Front Office staff if you need anything.

FH- [t.sumner@wissahickoncharter.org](mailto:t.sumner@wissahickoncharter.org)

### Meals Distribution Mondays

Meals will continue to be distributed on **Mondays only from 8am-6pm**. Families will receive a meal kit for the week that includes hot entrees that can be reheated. Please continue to follow the Meal Pick up procedures as outlined outside the school.

### Absences Due to Tech Issues

Families, if you are experiencing tech issues (i.e. trouble logging in, lost internet connection, etc.) please be sure to communicate that tech issue **in the moment** to [helpis@wissahickoncharter.org](mailto:helpis@wissahickoncharter.org) to receive assistance and/or to have your child's attendance excused if needed. Copies of the emails sent to [helpis@wissahickoncharter.org](mailto:helpis@wissahickoncharter.org) will serve as proof of your child's attempted attendance on that day.

### Follow Wissahickon Charter on Social Media

Follow WCS on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for important school updates and to see student learning and fun in action! And don't be shy- we love it when you like, comment, and share our posts!

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## Important Dates

Thursday 3/4 Last day of Second Trimester

6-7pm Accepted Student Info Session

Friday 3/5 Staff only for PD- School Closed

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