

## Wildcat News | Month of March 2020

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**"When you hold your baby in your arms the first time, and you think of all the things you can say and do to influence him, it's a tremendous responsibility. What you do with him can influence not only him, but everyone he meets and not for a day or a month or a year but for time and eternity."**

**~Rose Kennedy**

### **SSA (Single Subject Acceleration)**

Single Subject Acceleration (SSA) is the practice of assigning a student to a higher-grade level than is typical, given the student's age, for the purpose of providing access to appropriately challenging learning opportunities in either Math or English Language Arts. Wilburn's official SSA nomination window is March 23-27. Students will be tested April 28-May 8. We are sharing this information now to help parents better understand the program requirements and testing process. Please contact Caroline Suddreth, our AIG Teacher for more information at [ksuddreth@wcpss.net](mailto:ksuddreth@wcpss.net). Ms. Suddreth is happy to correspond through email, by phone or by meeting. Please review the link below for additional information.

<http://bit.ly/2VroZR8-SSA>

### **Wilburn PTA**

#### **Important dates and information:**

Talent Show - March 5, 2020 from 6-8pm. Kona Ice Truck will be onsite with yummy drinks. There will be a brief PTA meeting held immediately before the start of the Talent Show to accept PTA board member nominations for the 2020/2021 school year.

**PARENTS** interested in joining the Wilburn PTA - We need new PTA board members for the 2020/2021 school year. Our current PTA board members will train and mentor ALL parents who are interested in joining the PTA board. It is important to PTA that parents are comfortable and successful as members of the board, and they understand what to do and how to do it.

Read A Thon - Is happening now through March 9, 2020. Please submit all minutes read by your students. So far, the Read A Thon has raised \$400 and students have read over 16,000 minutes. Remember, to submit donations and minutes read by March 9th.

Skate Night - March 20, 2020 at United Skates of America

### **Opportunities!**

We are pleased to announce the opening of our Parent University, which allows us to offer ESL classes to non-native families who want to learn the English language. Classes began on February 3, 2020. We have 19 families registered to attend. We are also offering the following classes below in the upcoming weeks. Please click on the sign-up genius below. We have limited seating, please sign up early.

### **Parent University Opportunities**

***Social Emotional Learning and Your Child***- March 10th & March 24th (2:00pm- 3:00pm)

- Parents, are you wondering what all the talk is about SEL and social-emotional skills? Chances are you're already doing a lot to support your child with these skills; however, this class will provide you with opportunities to learn why social emotional learning skills are important. You will also have a chance to ask questions that will help aid in your child's success at school and in daily life.

<http://bit.ly/2Usc7d2-ParentMtgMarch10>

<http://bit.ly/2S0qIKZ-ParentMtgMarch24>

***Making Relationships a Priority***- May 12th (2:00pm-3:00pm)

- Are you worried about your child making friends? Or maybe your child has TOO many friends, and it is becoming a distraction. This session is to help parents understand why peer relationships matter, and how to help their child navigate the world of friendships!

<http://bit.ly/2SqeUAK-ParentMtgMay12>

## **Read Across America**

Read Across America Week will be celebrated March 2-6, 2020. We are excited about the week's events. Read Across America is a chance for us to celebrate a nation of diverse readers with books, authors and teaching resources that represent an array of experiences and cultures! We ensure that activities are fun, relevant and engaging for all students. The idea behind this national week is to motivate students to read and show the importance of why reading is important in day to day living. Please be sure to click on the link below so your child(ren) can participate daily in the events.

We invite community members and families to get involved by reading to classes and participating in the events.

<http://bit.ly/39eAUFM-ReadAcrossAmerica>

## **Color Run Is Coming!!!**

### **2nd ANNUAL WILBURN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COLOR FUN RUN!!**

When: Monday, April 27th (rain date is April 28th)

Where: Wilburn Elementary all day outside by the track

Time: A schedule will be sent out in a few weeks with when each grade level will be participating

Who: ALL Wilburn Elementary students and teachers. Parents are welcome to join in on the fun if you are a registered and approved volunteer.

Kona Ice will be onsite again. Thanks to the PTA so every student is encouraged to bring in \$3 the Color Run to get a Kona Ice!

During the Color run, students are encouraged to wear a white or black shirt that day to see the color the best! Below are some FAQ's about the color! If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Wall, our Physical Education Teacher at [gwall@wcpss.net](mailto:gwall@wcpss.net).

## **Color Powder Safety and Clean Up**

### **Is Color Powder Safe?**

Safety is our main priority! Our colors are made with high quality cornstarch, food dyes and baking soda. All materials are 100% FD&C and/or D&C approved. Our color powder contains natural fire-retardant materials that dramatically reduce fire risk. However, cornstarch in a dust state can be flammable under certain conditions. Out of an abundance of caution do not use near open flame, smoking materials or other ignition sources. If you would like a copy of the Safety Data Sheets, please contact us at 888-252-6567 or email us at [info@colorblaze.com](mailto:info@colorblaze.com)

### **Does Color Powder Contain Gluten or other common allergens?**

Our color powder is gluten free and does not contain dairy, nuts, wheat, soy or other common allergens. Although it is made from all food safe ingredients, it is not created in a food safe facility and is not intended for human consumption.

### **Is Color Powder harmful if you inhale it?**

Although all the materials are food grade, we do not recommend inhaling large quantities of color powder. It should always be used in well ventilated outdoor space and when throwing at participants you should aim for the chest area. Anyone who has asthma, is allergic to any of the ingredients or has any respiratory issues should exercise caution when participating in color powder events.

### **Does Color Powder Stain Clothing?**

Our color powder washes out of most clothing. However, it can stain some materials. 100% cotton clothing is recommended and typical machine washing with stain remover, removes the stains. We recommend removing excess powder from clothing before washing and/or applying water.

### **How Do I Keep the Color in My Shirt from A Color Fun Run?**

While some people are concerned with making sure that the color washes out of clothing others want to show off their colors. We have detailed instructions on how to keep the color in your color fun run shirt on our blog.

### **Does Color Powder Stain Skin or Hair?**

Just as with clothing we recommend shaking off all excess powder before exposing to water. Normal soap and water should remove color powder from skin and hair. Some color does tend to linger for a few days especially on blonde hair. If you are worried about staining, we recommend applying a moisturizer to skin and coating your hair with a small amount of coconut or olive oil before the event.

### **Reminders!**

- Parents just a reminder that we do not release students after 3:00pm. If you have a carpool tag, we are asking that you remain in your vehicle and follow the dismissal process. Many times, our carpool line is faster than walking inside and signing a student out.
- If you are dropping off your students in the morning outside of the carpool line, you must walk your student or students to the door. Please do not let them walk from the parking lot up to the school by themselves, this is a safety issue.

- Afternoon bus updates are posted to Dojo. Please be sure to check out the school story in the afternoon if it seems that your child's bus is running late. We will share any info we have from transportation regarding buses.
  - Parents, if you want to participate as volunteer on field trips inside or outside the school, you **must** be a registered volunteer. Please take time to come to our school or go to any other Wake County Public School that may be close to you and register as a volunteer. If you are not a registered and approved volunteer, you will not be able to participate as a volunteer in our school.
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- March 2-6<sup>th</sup>: Read Across America
  - Interim Reports will come home on March 4<sup>th</sup>
  - March 5<sup>th</sup>: Talent Show from 6-8pm
  - March 9<sup>th</sup>: Teacher Workday, students do not come to school
  - March 20<sup>th</sup>: Family Skate Night
  - March 31: Track-out Day

Lutashia Dove, Principal

