# WWS ELEMENTARY NOVEMBER MEWSLETTER ^

#### A season of thanks!

Windham Woods is a very special place that, like our numerous trails on campus, families take many paths to get to. Regardless of the path that led you to WWS, we are thankful to communicate and collaborate with families in order to design programming committed to the growth and support of each child. Thank you for your partnership and for allowing us to learn and laugh with your amazing children. Our students are SO lucky to have amazing families who are dedicated to their education. While they might not voice it, thank you on behalf of your children, for advocating for their needs and bringing them to a place where they can build friendships, grow their confidence, and feel comfortable taking social and academic risks.

# What's been Happening This Month?

#### -Kristen & the Elementary team





#### **Diwali** Celebration

Windham Woods was lucky to have Parul & Ani Brenne speak to us about Diwali this month! Our students learned about ways in which people celebrate this holiday, which celebrates the victory of light over darkness, before designing their own colorful candle holders and rangoli patterns outside. Students asked great questions and were engaged from start to finish!

### **Thanksgiving Football Game**

The Elementary enjoyed a Thanksgiving lunch celebration in the Great Hall and shared things they were thankful for before taking to the lower field to battle the teachers in our first ever WWS Thanksgiving Flag Football game. While the students put up a good fight and had solid runs by Sam E, Wade B, and Ryder D, the teachers took the victory! If you ask Brody B. about it, he will tell you that the students "let us win" but we all know the truth!



#### **Grandfriends Day**

WWS Elementary enjoyed celebrating Grandfriends Day this month thanks to the amazing planning by WWSPA volunteers! Thank you for making this day possible for families!

Our students and their grandfriends enjoyed lunch and a craft together before touring the school and making a stop at the photo booth!

Photos from the day can be found here!

# **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

#### **FARM FIELD TRIP!**

Be on the lookout for a permission slip for our upcoming Elementary field trip, which focuses on THRIVE values as related to life on a farm! Classes will have the opportunity to visit one of three farms in Ipswich & Hamilton, MA; Myopia Stables, Ship Oak Farm & Wanders Way Farm. Students will visit with farm animals, learn about life and work on a farm, and have the opportunity to care for some of the furry inhabitants!

#### **GHRISTY CASHMAN PRESENTING**

On December 6, children's author, actress, and producer Christie Cashman will be on campus to read to the Elementary students!

You can learn more about her on her website at www.christycashman.com.



#### **Snow Day communication**

Winter is nearly upon us! In the event of a school cancellation, all families will receive an email from Mr. DeJoy or Mr. Taffel informing them of the cancellation. Our website and social media accounts will also be updated to communicate the closure. Sledding and hot cocoa are encouraged in the event of a snow day!

If school is not canceled for snow but you deem it to be unsafe to travel in your area, please call your child in absent. Safety is our priority!







Talent show (Schoolwide Event) - December 7th at 5:30 pm Progress Reports- Sent home the weekend of December 8 Elementary Move Night- Wednesday, December 13, 2023



As the weather becomes colder, please send your children in with warm coats, hats, and gloves. We LOVE exploring the outdoors during all seasons at WWS!

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