



# WINTHROP SCHOOL

## FAMILY UPDATE 2021-2022

### APRIL 25, 2022



#### Safe Arrival Line/Dismissal Changes

Please call the safe arrival line @ 978-468-5344 to report your child absent or tardy.

Please call the front office @ 978-468-5340 for last-minute dismissal changes.

Follow us on Twitter: Winthrop School @WinthropEagle, Principal Shediak @ShediakC

#### Winthrop Happenings

Winthrop 4th Graders presented reader's theater Fables and Folktales to an audience of first graders on Friday morning before vacation. The performers did a great job projecting their characters' voices.



There were lots of giggles and cheers from the audience members.

#### Five Sons Pizza Fundraiser!

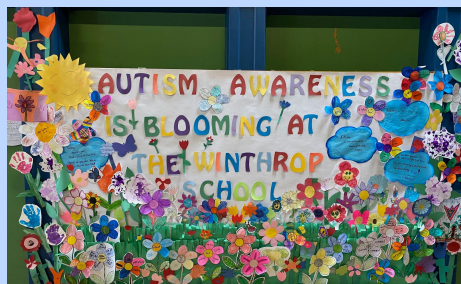
On **Tuesday, April 26th 4-8pm**, order from FIVE SONS Pizza and mention Autism Awareness when ordering. 20% of your bill will be donated to H-W Special Education! Delivery will be free and your dinner will be delivered by an HW Police Officer!

#### Autism Awareness at Winthrop

Before vacation, Winthrop students learned a little about Autism watching videos and having discussions in their classrooms. Here are links to the videos: K-2 [I See Things Differently](#) and 3-5 [Amazing Things Happen](#).

Students filled Winthrop's Autism Awareness garden with unique flowers to show the diversity and beauty in each of them.

On Thursday, April 14th, Winthrop students and staff showed incredible school spirit by wearing blue, red, or something unique, in support and appreciation of our community



members living with Autism. Winthrop won an after lunch ICE CREAM Social for students and staff, sponsored by the HW Police Depts on Friday, April 29th! Information and a survey was sent out to all families earlier today regarding food allergies for this event.

#### HPD Autism/Disability Outreach Program

To learn more about creating partnerships through this program and to sign up a loved one click the [Link](#).

#### IMPORTANT DATES

**Monday, April 25**

**Tuesday, April 26**

**Thursday, April 28**

2022 Kindergarten Screenings  
by appointment

**Tuesday, April 26**

Audubon program, Gr. 2

**Five Sons Pizza Fundraiser**

4-8pm for HW Special Education!!!

**Friday, April 29**

HW Police Ice Cream Social  
(after lunch)

**Monday, May 2 - Friday, May 6**

Winthrop in Wonderland  
Teacher Appreciation Week  
Click [flier](#) to make a donation

**Tuesday, May 3**

Audubon program, Gr. 2

**Thursday, May 5**

Deadline to order [yearbooks](#)

**Friday, May 6**

Gr. 4 field trip to Lowell Mills

**Tuesday, May 10**

Discovery Museum visits Gr. 3

#### Math MCAS Dates

Gr 5 Mon 5/9 & Tues 5/10

Gr 3 Thurs 5/12 & Fri 5/13

Gr 4 Mon 5/16 & Tues 5/17

#### STE MCAS Dates

Gr 5 Thurs 5/19 & Fri 5/20

**Monday, May 30**

No School - Holiday

**From the Friends of Winthrop:****Teacher Appreciation Week - May 2-6**

Show your appreciation for Winthrop Staff, by clicking the link in this flier!  
[Winthrop in Wonderland](#)

**Winthrop 2021-2022 Yearbook Purchase**

Every year the Friends of Winthrop put together a yearbook full of photos and memories. These photos include all students, PK to 5th grade. The cost is \$22 and can be ordered through May 5th. Financial assistance is available by contacting one of the School Counselors, Jeanne Attaya or Debi Lanigan. Use this [link](#) to place your order and please be sure to checkout after you add the yearbook to your cart.

**Field Trip Chaperones - CORIs and Fingerprinting**

Just a reminder that in order to chaperone field trips, you must have a current CORI and Fingerprint clearance. [Link to Human Resources Forms - CORI/Fingerprint](#)

**Kindergarten Registration for 2022-2023**

If you have not registered your student yet, please either register in person at the Central Office or register online. Visit [HERE](#) for more information.

**Lunch Changes for 2022-2023**

Earlier this month, Congress passed an appropriations package that did not include language allowing the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to extend current child nutrition waivers past June 30<sup>th</sup>. As a result, schools in Massachusetts and across the country will no longer be able to provide universal free meals through the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) effective at the start of the next school year (SY 2022-2023).

Households will have to re-adjust to meal charges after such a long time not having to worry about it. Lunch prices are still TBD but will most likely resemble closely what has been charged in the past. It is important parents and guardians make sure they create and/or have access to their student's MySchoolBucks prior to the next school year. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Wendy Ng, Director of Nutrition Services at [w.ng@hwschools.net](mailto:w.ng@hwschools.net) or 978-468-0306.

**Healthy Kids/Healthy School Reminders**

Spring is finally here, and with it comes many people's spring allergies. If your child(ren) "tend" to have allergy symptoms in the spring for which they take allergy medicine, now is the time to consider starting them back on their medicine before everything starts blooming. As always I recommend consulting their pediatrician with any questions regarding medicine.

In addition to allergies and COVID-19, we are seeing an abundance of colds and viruses that we haven't seen as much while our students were wearing masks. We wanted to remind all our families about the sick day

**Monday, June 6**

5th Grade Musical 6-7pm

**Wednesday, June 15**

Winthrop Classic 8:45-10:45

**Friday, June 17**5th Grade Moving On Ceremony  
9-10am**Monday, June 20**

No School - Holiday

**Wednesday, June 22**Last Day of School - 3 Snow Days  
Early Release  
PreK 10:45 & K-5 11:15

guidelines in the district which can be read [HERE](#). Our post illness policy states “Your child must be fever free **without medication** and symptom free (no vomiting/diarrhea, etc.) for **24 hours** prior to returning to school. Your child should also feel generally well enough, and have had adequate rest in the recovery of their illness to be able to deal with a school day. This would mean that a child dismissed home from school with a fever or other illness symptoms on a given day should not return to school the following day. According to school guidelines, a child diagnosed with strep throat, impetigo or conjunctivitis must be on medication for 24 hours prior to returning to school.” Please contact our school nurse Jessica Baker at [j.baker@hwschools.net](mailto:j.baker@hwschools.net) with any questions or concerns.

#### **UPDATED COVID-19 Testing Programs in our Schools**

**At-Home Rapid Antigen Testing** ([NEW Click Here](#))

**Routine COVID Safety Checks/Pool Testing** (If not yet signed up, [click here](#)) **Symptomatic Testing** (If not yet signed up, [click here](#))