

# Westside Village Magnet School

"A Fun and Innovative Place to Learn"

## Upcoming Events

November 9th	Picture Retake Day
November 9th	Free School Lunch for Veterans & Active Military WVMS Families 12:30pm
November 9th	Village, Rhythm & Blues (VRB) Meeting 4:15pm
November 10th	No School - Veterans Day Holiday
November 14th	Boys Basketball WVMS @ Gilchrist 4:00pm
November 16th	College Day
November 16th	WVMS Site Council Meeting 3:45pm
November 16th	Boys Basketball Tumalo @ WVMS 4:00pm
November 16th	Friends of WVMS Board Meeting 4:30pm
November 20th - 24th	No School - Thanksgiving Break
November 28th	Friends of WMS Fun Run Donations Due
November 30th	WVMS @ Culver 4:00pm
December 2nd	WVMS Winter Bazaar 9:30am - 4:30pm
December 7th	Boys Basketball Gilchrist @ WVMS 4:00pm
December 8th	Parent Community Coffee 9:00am
December 8th	2nd Six Weeks Ends
December 11th	3rd Six Weeks Begins
December 14th	Boys Basketball Central Christian @ WVMS 4:00pm
December 19th	Boys Basketball WVMS @ Tumalo 4:00pm
December 21st	2nd Community Celebration 4:30pm - 7:00pm
December 22nd	Winter Solstice Party
December 25th - January 5th	No School - Winter Break

## WVMS Winter Bazaar

WVMS will once again be hosting a Winter Bazaar this year! It will run concurrent with the Bend Holiday Parade on Saturday, December 2nd, from 9:30am to 4:30pm.

If you or someone you know would like to have a booth at the Bazaar to sell your wares, please have them call the office at 541.355.2000. Booths will cost \$30 for adults. All proceeds from the sale of booths will go to support a non-profit organization that students choose.



## WVMS Library

The WVMS Library is open at 8:30am. This is a great time for students to come in and check out or return a book!



## Old Machines Needed for Tinkering

We are in need of old machines (working or not) for students to take apart, wonder about & do some research.

## Tips On How to Deal With Social Media

Social media isn't simply a way of life for kids -- to them, it's life itself. To help them keep their online interactions safe, productive, and positive, we have a few tips for you:

- Social Media activity should be done by 8:00pm.
- Phones should not be charging by the bedside. A good idea is a central family charging station.
- Know what your kids are posting online. How? Open communication with your child is the best tool, but there are many apps available as well: <https://www.commonensemedia.org/blog/apps-to-help-keep-track-of-what-your-kids-are-doing-online>

## Curriculum

Today, we took the time to read some articles and learn about the history and importance of Veteran's Day. Historically Veteran's Day is not only honoring veterans that have served, but it also celebrated our country's love of peace and justice. Thank you veterans!

Students are investigating trees, the mysteries of photosynthesis, transpiration, and the role of forests in our ecosystems. We are also delving deeper into culture and students will be completing a family research project. Students have been applying the Design Thinking Process to create potential products for our Winter Bazaar. They will have an opportunity to produce their product and sell it at the Winter Bazaar.

Students are reading books with characters that face social and/or emotional challenges they have to overcome. In class, we are reading aloud the book, *Seedfolks*, to look more at the role of shallow and deep culture, character's point of view, theme, and literary devices like similes and metaphors. Students are responding to passages to practice adding evidence to their responses.

In the coming weeks, students will be looking at the art of Pablo Picasso and applying the elements of cubism in an illustration and a family portrait. They will also start a research project on their own heritage.

## Bend La-Pine Schools College Day Coloring Contest

Students can pick up a coloring sheet in the office, color and turn in to the school kitchen by November 13th for a chance to win a prize & help decorate our school for College Day.



Prizes will be awarded on College Day, November 16th.

## WVMS Food Pantry

WVMS has a food pantry to help out our community members in need. We recently cleaned out the pantry and we are in need of non perishable food and personal care items to fill it up again. If you are able to donate items, please bring them to the office. If you need items from the pantry, please see Ms. Anne in the office.



Food Pantry  
Donations Needed

## 6 Week Checklist

The first six-week checklists were sent home last week! You can view your student's checklist on ParentVue. If you do not have a ParentVue account, please call Anne in the office for an activation code. You can access ParentVue and ParentVue mobile app information on the Bend La-Pine District Website at: <https://www.bend.k12.or.us/district/organization/parentvue>. You should have received an email from your child's advisor; if you didn't, or you have questions about the checklist, please contact your student's advisor. If you have any questions, please call Anne in the office at 541.355.2000.

## Safe Touch

Last year there were over 2500 reports of child abuse in Deschutes County, Oregon. National studies indicate that one out of every ten children will be molested by the time they reach their 18th birthday. The statistics are chilling, but there are things we can do to protect our children.

During the next few weeks, we will be teaching a short unit on body safety to all students. It will cover safety with strangers as well as people the children may know. This safety unit, called "SafeTOUCH," will teach children to recognize the difference between "OK" and "Not OK" touches, how to say "NO," and who to go to for help. This approach will be honest yet non-frightening.

We feel this program will help us work together as partners towards the common goal of protecting our children. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Wendy at 541.408.3894 or by email at [wendy.winchel@bend.k12.or.us](mailto:wendy.winchel@bend.k12.or.us).