

Wiesbaden Middle School

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Congratulations!!

Three students have been recognized for Literature in SHOWCASE 2008! Showcase books are in the library and offices of the school. Published students have received an individual copy.

Ms. C, WMS math teacher for seventh and eighth grades, will be absent for Family/Medical Leave to care for her mother. Mrs. G will be her substitute from 24 November through 19 December. Mrs. G has a BA in Chemistry with minors in Biology and Art. Ms. C and Ms. G will correspond via email concerning class lessons and procedures when needed.

Dr. N, the WMS counselor for grades seven and eight states, “At Wiesbaden Middle School we always try to be proactive in our efforts to meet all of our students’ needs; academically, emotionally and socially. We believe a safe, supportive, and positive school climate is essential. We always try to face the challenge of bullying by constantly sending the message that it will not be tolerated. We intervene with conflict resolution when bullying behavior is reported or when there is a conflict of any kind. Each year we teach grade level wide classroom lessons, which address the issues of bullying and the reasons why kids are sometimes so mean to each other. All seventh graders participated in an anti-bullying lesson on November 3-4 in their Science class. We reviewed these skills on November 13-14 in all seventh grade health classes. These two lessons will be taught to all eighth graders classes in the next few weeks. We try to always be vigilant to the emotional needs of our students. We encourage students to report any concerns.”

The sixth grade counselor, Ms. V, shared, “I presented sessions with all sixth graders during their science classes about bullying. The presentation started with a

10 question T/F quiz on bullying (source: "The Bully-Free Classroom, Allan L.Bane, PhD) using the interactive CPS system. Following the video, I reviewed with students the various forms of bullying. The classes discussed what students can do if they are being bullied or if they see someone being bullied. The sessions ended with a handout that students can keep in their binders describing a respectful classroom environment. Continuing presentations throughout the school year will encourage respectful treatment of peers and to inform trusted adults of any problems. The counselor will continue to be available to facilitate conflict resolution amongst students."



DRAMA CLUB COACH: DR. H



NOVEMBER - DECEMBER, 2008 EVENTS

ALL EVENTS ARE IN ROOM 129 UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

DATE	EVENT	TIME after school 1500-1600	INTERESTED?
Friday, Nov. 14	Play reading	Lunch, bring yours	Sign up on sheet provided by Dr. H
Wednesday, Nov.22	Play reading	After school, bring snack	Sign up on sheet provided by Dr. H
Thursday, Dec. 4	Play reading or improvisation workshop	After school, bring snack	Sign up on sheet provided by Dr. H
Monday, Dec. 8	Acting lessons or play reading	Lunch, bring snack	Sign up on sheet provided by Dr. H
Thursday, Dec. 11	Acting lessons or improve workshop	After school, bring snack	Sign up on sheet provided by Dr. H
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NOTE: I have tried to provide 3 different activities.	Play reading: here we get copies of a play or skit and take turns reading it with expression as a group.	Acting lessons: here the attention is on personal acting and practice with tips and reinforcement	Kid Improv: this is training in improvisation – and lots of thinking on your feet.
On auditions for the	I am waiting for scripts to arrive by the snail mail before I schedule the	There are parts for all 3 grades, males and females, and tall	At auditions you will be asked to fill out an application

Spring Play:	auditions. Stay tuned for audition dates.	and short, etc. also for people who are not afraid to be, well, <i>different</i> .	and to verify that you will be available on rehearsal and performance dates.
	Remember, it's not just about actors and actresses – we will need plenty of tech, make-up, costume, hair people and so forth.		

Some Important Dates to Remember:

Nov. 18 – Eighth Grade Honor Roll Awards Assembly 1115 in the gym

Nov. 20 – Seventh Grade Honor Roll Awards Assembly 1115 in the gym

Dec. 2 – Sixth Grade Honor Roll Awards Assembly 1115 in the gym

Nov. 26 – Outdoor Club, Wiesbaden Christmas Market

Nov. 27-28 – Thanksgiving Holiday – No School

Dec. 1 – School Advisory Meeting 1600 in school library

Dec. 11 – Winter Concert, 1900 in school gym

Looking Ahead!

Terra Nova Testing March 10-11 and 17-18