

Westside Christian Wave Weekly

March 12, 2024



School day ends at 1:00 PM this Thursday (3/14)

All Westside students will be released at 1:00 PM this Thursday to allow time for family, friends, and our faculty and staff to attend the WIAA State Tournament to cheer on the Lakeside boys basketball team. Our lunch periods will be held as planned; however, Extended Care is canceled. Tickets can be purchased [HERE](#). Students, faculty and staff may wear Lakeside apparel, or anything blue and white, to school on Thursday to support the Warriors.



NO SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

Westside's spring break is March 18 - 22. Classes will resume on March 25.

Looking just a bit ahead, we also will not have school on Friday, March 29 (Good Friday), and Monday, April 1 (Easter Monday).

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Family Devotions

Click the title of the devotion provided to view the full devotion and see the complete collection of Family Devotions online at WELS.net. Questions are provided following the closing prayer to help with family discussion at home.

[Smart Isn't Always Wise – March 6, 2024](#)

Read: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. (1 Corinthians 1:18)

Wednesday Lent devotions and Holy Week worship

"He himself is our peace...through the cross" (Ephesians 2:14,16).

Wednesday Lent devotions

Gather with brothers and sisters at 5:00 or 6:30 PM each Wednesday of Lent. Stay for dinner provided by one of the St. Andrew Best Chefs from 5:30 - 6:15 PM. Livestream will be available at 5:00 PM. Remaining Lenten worship services are as follows:

- March 13: The Spear | Dinner is chili lime chicken
- March 20: The Crown | Dinner is carnitas tacos

Holy Week worship

Palm Sunday
The Palm Branches
March 21 & 24
normal worship times

Maundy Thursday
The Wafer
March 28
5:00 & 6:30 PM

Good Friday
The Scepter
March 29
1:00 & 6:30 PM

Cross PEACE

Easter Sunday
The White Cloth
March 31
7:30, 9:00, & 10:30 AM

Easter Sunday
The White Cloth: Part 2
April 4 & 7
normal worship times

Call update

St. Andrew has a wonderful opportunity to call the wife of our new principal, Mrs. Beth Plath, to serve as a teacher at Westside. Mrs. Plath is highly regarded and her preferences for teaching fit the third grade teacher position left vacant by Ms. Gnewuch's acceptance of a call to Simpsonville, SC. The Board of Directors will convene a special Voters' meeting at 11:45 AM on Sunday, March 24, with one agenda item: Extending a call to Mrs. Plath to teach 3rd grade.

PowerHour this FRIDAY

Children up to age 3 and their caregivers are invited to the next PowerHour. Join us on Friday, March 15, at 10:30 AM in the St. Andrew gym. The theme is "Habitats of the World." Click [here](#) for more information on PowerHour.



3rd grade "Lemonade War" this THURSDAY (time change)

The 3rd grade students are reading the novel *The Lemonade War*. To help us wrap up this business unit, the children are putting together a variety of stands (see details below) of their own. They will sell items at their stands next Thursday, March 14, from 12:25 - 1:10 PM. Items will be priced from \$0.50 - \$1.00. Check out their commercials [HERE](#). The profits will teach the children the importance of advertising, organizing, selling, and settling accounts. Profits will be donated to this quarter's mission partner.

Stands will include:

- Drinks
- Books and squishies
- Bakery items
- Sports cards, rainbow loom jewelry, animal pictures
- Treats like puppy chow and popsicles

EMP registration for 2024-25 school year ends this FRIDAY

Registration for the 2024-25 Elective Music Program (EMP) ends this Friday!

Please register via the attached form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdVd7G0TZo70GelHjO8iQ!g868etCSt_kgv7ovmpPeKzcNslw/viewform?usp=sf_link.

Space is limited in each music elective; therefore, we recommend that families don't delay their registration. We will work to place as many students as possible in their music elective(s) of choice.

Not sure what EMP is all about? The EMP instructors have composed a video with information about each music elective and other information about the program in general.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1NtOv4EmLPA92ZEozgZM_mrd-7gw7aW9J/view?usp=drive_link.

If you have any EMP questions, please contact EMP Coordinator Melissa Dyer at:

empcoordinator@westside-christian.org.

Importance of calling the Attendance Line

It is very important that parents report absences, late arrivals, appointments, and early pick-ups by calling the Attendance Line at 608-620-7103. **We ask that you do not call or email your child's classroom teacher with this information, and please do not tell them during drop-off.**

Calls received on the Attendance Line are reported to ALL staff who need to know—classroom and specials teachers, EMP instructors, and other support staff. Other benefits of calling the Attendance Line include:

- You can be sure the information gets communicated to all who need it and in a timely way.
- Your child's classroom teacher stays freed up to welcome other students and can stay focused on the morning routine.
- There's a better chance your child will be ready when you come to pick him/her up.
- Check it off your to-do list right away by reporting a known absence or appointment days ahead of the event.

We know that calling the Attendance Line is sometimes inconvenient. Feel free to stop by the Welcome Center to report it in-person.

Thank you in advance for helping us run an efficient attendance reporting system.

Reminder about Forward Testing

Forward Testing is scheduled for April 8 - 19. While that's a bit down the road, we ask that you **look at your calendars now** to ensure that your child(ren) will be in school on those days. With limited building space and time in which to conduct the testing, making up a test is difficult. If at all possible, please do not schedule appointments during these two weeks. If you know that your child will be out of school due to travel, please email Stacy Bernd so that we can try to make an alternate plan for his/her testing. Thank you so much for your cooperation.

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SCHOOL

Penny Logos!

Get your school's logo applied for a penny!

VALID: March 8-15, 2024

CODE: PENNYLOGO

PIN: NO PIN REQUIRED



*Receive your school logo applied for \$0.01. Offer available to all schools with a logo currently on file with us (excludes monogramming, Lands' End Camp and Lands' End Business Outfitters purchases). Discount will be applied at checkout. Offer valid from March 8 to 11:59p.m. Central, March 15, 2024.

Penny Logo Sale at Land's End | March 8 - 15

Has your child outgrown his/her school polo or do you anticipate needing a new one for next school year? Now's the time to order. Land's End is running their annual Penny Logo Sale. Follow these steps to order from Land's End:

1. Go to landsend.com.
2. Click "School".
3. Click "Shop By School".
4. Search for Westside by entering our school name and location or school number 900067075.
5. Select your child's gender and grade level.
6. Choose from the polos and sizes listed.
7. Ensure that our logo is displayed.
8. Add item to bag.
9. Indicate "PENNYLOGO" in the promo code field during checkout.



Information for your taxes

Federal EIN: 39-1437079

Tax season is upon us. You will need our Federal EIN: 39-1437079. Also, you can find a record of your tuition expenses for 2023 using the following steps:

1. Log into TADS.
2. Navigate to the Billing area.
3. Select the number in blue next to the 2022-23 school year.
4. Click on the Reports tab.
5. Click on the link titled "Household Paid Tuition Tax Report".
6. Enter "2023" in the Tax Year field.

If you do not remember your login credentials for TADS, you will need to call them at 800-477-8237.

Wisconsin Tuition Tax Deduction

As your family looks into the details of the Wisconsin Private School Tuition Tax Deduction, [see some FAQs here](#). Download a 2023 PS form: <https://www.revenue.wi.gov/TaxForms2023/2023-SchedulePS.pdf>.

Save the Date...St. Andrew Summer Camp!

Summer camp at St. Andrew will look a little different this year. Instead of conducting science experiments and kicking soccer balls, kids will have an opportunity to grow in music, art, cooking, and more. What won't be different is that Jesus will be in the middle of everything. The dates are July 8 – 11. Registration will begin after Easter.

Summer speech and reading programs through Launch

Specializing in speech, language, and literacy, Launch Speech and Reading offers assessments and interventions designed to support children of all ages and abilities. With a team of dedicated professionals including Speech Therapists, Reading Specialists, and Educators, the clinic aims to foster a supportive and enriching learning environment. Emphasizing collaboration between families, educators, and therapists, Launch Speech and Reading is committed to empowering each child to reach their full potential. Discover the difference personalized care can make at Launch Speech and Reading. See the attached flyer for more information.

LAUNCH_flyer.pdf

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Camp Phillip overnight summer camps

If you are looking for a Christian overnight summer camp, consider Camp Phillip in Wautoma. They have been hosting summer camps for over fifty years. Go [here](#) to see what is available in 2024. There are cards with more information in the atrium.

{CALENDAR} OF EVENTS}

This Week

Thursday: Early release at 1 PM; 3rd grade "Lemonade War" sale

Friday: End of Q3

February Lunch Menu.pdf

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March Lunch Menu.pdf

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You might want to get these dates on your calendar NOW!

- 3/18-3-22: **NO SCHOOL** (Spring Break)
- 3/25: Plant Sale begins
- 3/29: **NO SCHOOL** (Good Friday)
- 4/1: **NO SCHOOL** (Easter Monday)
- 4/4: 5th & 6th grade field trip; 7th & 8th grade field trip
- 4/5: Casual Day | PowerHour | Plant Sale ends
- 4/6: Mother Son Event (watch for info to come)

- 4/6 - 4/7: LLHS Fine Arts Fair (EMP students only)
- 4/8: FOW meeting (virtual)
- 4/8 - 4/19: Forward Testing (see article above)
- 4/12: Strings & Guitar Concert @ 4:00; Band & Voice Concert @ 6:15
- 4/13: Piano Recitals (Lund @ 9:30, Hunter @ 10:45, Fritz @ 12:45, Dyer @ 2:00)
- 4/14: Grades 3 & 4 sing at St. Andrew
- 4/17: Middle school field trip
- 4/18: Choice Program enrollment period ends
- 4/19: Preschool field trip | PowerHour
- 4/22: NO SCHOOL (Professional Development Day)
- 4/26: 5th and 6th grade field trip
- 4/28: Grades 1 & 2 sing at St. Andrew

Key Dates Calendar, 2023 - 2024 School Year

Please note that the calendar was revised this summer.

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Tentative 2024 - 2025 Key Dates Calendar

Click [HERE](#) for the calendar.

Singing Schedule, 2023 - 2024 School Year.pdf

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Family Handbook (2023-2024 School Year)

TADS (Enrollment and Billing Information)

Educate (Parent Portal)

Announcements (Lunch Menus, Key Dates and School Calendar, etc.) | Course Documents | Events (general and grade-specific) | Student-Specific Information (Assignments and Grades, Attendance Record, Demographics)

CONTACT US

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Friends of Westside (private Facebook group): #FOWMiddleton



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