

WARREN ELEMENTARY NEWS

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December 2023

DATE	EVENT	TIME
12/5/2023	Vocal Music Concert	6:30pm-8:00pm
12/6/2023	Picture retakes	9:00am-2:20pm
12/8/2023	Second Grade Field Trip	
12/12/2023	PTO Meeting	7:00pm
12/22/2023	Winter Break Begins	
01/02/2024	School Re-opens	

Principal's Message, Tricia Angelini

The hustle and bustle of the holiday season is upon us! As we begin to gear up for the holidays, we continue to be busy with teaching and learning at Warren. Take the time to sit with your child and ask about their day, read together with them, or just spend quality time together. During winter break, remember to have your child read for 20 minutes or more each day. **Reading is a powerful tool** for building your child's mind. We wish you and your families a happy holiday and a Happy New Year!

Literacy Committee

The Literacy Committee will be sponsoring a winter break reading challenge this year. Students who read over winter break and fill out a reading log will receive rewards! Stay tuned for more information about the Warren Elementary Winter Break Reading Challenge.

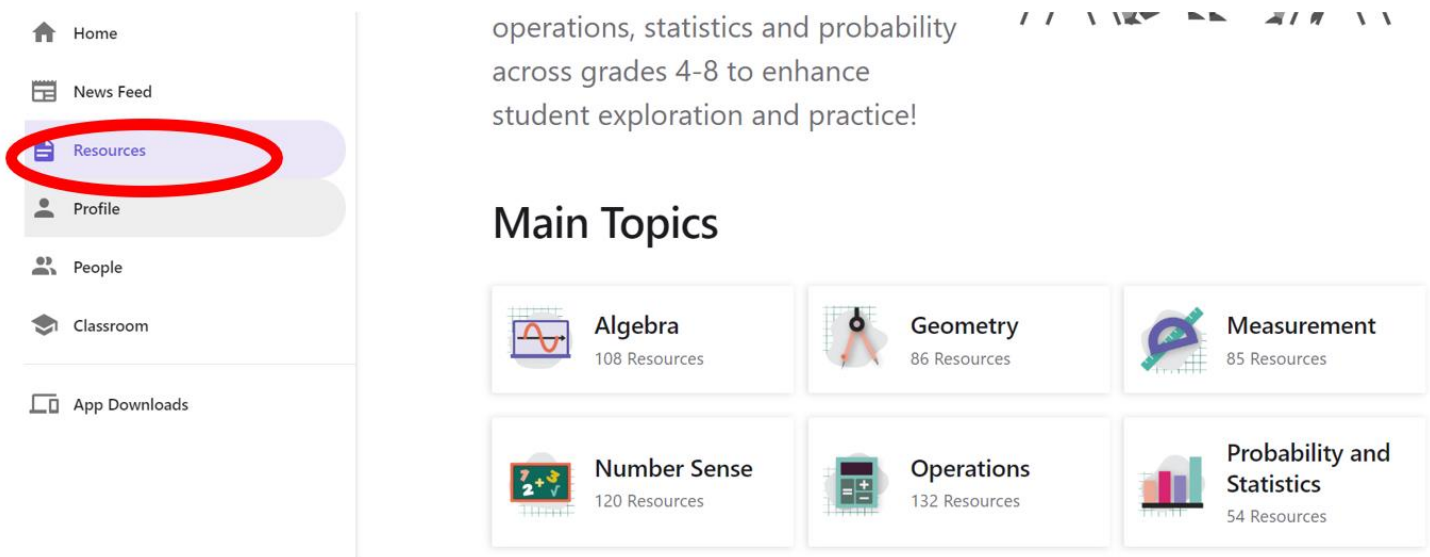
The Baltimore County Public Library is also hosting a Winter Reading Challenge again this year in conjunction with Towson University which is open to all students in grades kindergarten through fifth grade. The challenge runs Friday, December 1st through Saturday, January 13th. Click [HERE](#) for more information about the challenge and how to sign up.

The NEA Read Across America elementary book of the month for December is “Remember” by Joy Harjo in recognition of our connectedness to each other in our relationships, our past, and our present. [Find out more here!](#)

Mathematics Committee

Happy December families! Warren Elementary’s Math Committee’s resource for this month is GeoGebra. This is a website that is free to use and does not require students to login or sign up. This can be accessed via <https://www.geogebra.org/math>. GeoGebra is designed to assist students in Grades 3-5 across a wide range of Math topics.

Within the Math Resource section of the website students can choose from a variety of Math topics that can be used at home to help strengthen your student’s math skills. Topics include Operations, Number Sense, Geometry, and Measurement. Please see the below that highlights the Resources section with the Math Topics listed.



The screenshot shows the GeoGebra website interface. On the left is a navigation sidebar with the following items: Home, News Feed, Resources (highlighted with a red circle), Profile, People, Classroom, and App Downloads. The main content area features a header with the text: "operations, statistics and probability across grades 4-8 to enhance student exploration and practice!". Below this is a section titled "Main Topics" with six topic cards:

Topic	Number of Resources
Algebra	108 Resources
Geometry	86 Resources
Measurement	85 Resources
Number Sense	120 Resources
Operations	132 Resources
Probability and Statistics	54 Resources

Once students click on a Math Topic, they choose from a variety of sub-topics which takes them to several interactive tools in addition to questions below the tool linked to the activity the student is performing. Please see the below sub-topics within the Operations section.

+ Addition

.00 Decimal Numbers

÷ Division

5x-3 Mathematical Expressions

1½ Mixed Numbers

× Multiplication

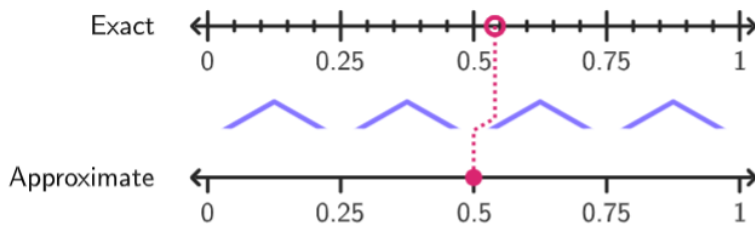
½ Operations with Fractions

Order of Operations

- Subtraction

The example below has students choose a number within a number line. The tool then provides a visual representation of how to properly approximate the number chosen. Please see below for an example of this tool.

Approximate the sum of two numbers.



Exact:



Approximate:



Counselor's Corner:

Warren Elementary's Virtue of the Month Program- December: The Gift of Character

As part of Warren Elementary's Virtue of the Month program, the teachers, and staff at our school emphasize a virtue every month, infuse it into our language, and teach the students to understand its value. The overarching virtue for December is Compassion. Compassion is understanding and caring when someone is hurt or troubled. In encouraging this value and guiding students to exemplify the behavior we would like to see, we may make a statement like, "Let's show Compassion and help the younger students if they are upset or if they drop something. Let's show them how to get along with others by not arguing" We would appreciate your kindness in supporting us.

When we feel the virtue of Compassion, we want to help even if all we can do is listen and say Kind words. We are Forgiving, another virtue, and we are there when someone needs a friend. Some virtues that go along nicely with Compassion that some grade levels may be emphasizing are Service, Trust, Generosity, Peacefulness, and Understanding.

As the school counselor at Warren, I deeply appreciate your Service, Understanding, and Support with all of our projects to help others, and I wish you all peace and joy this holiday season. (source- Virtues Project International, www.virtuesproject.com)

Laura Sherline, School Counselor

School Nurse, Kate Melito

Hearing and Vision Screening Follow-up: Notices were sent out for any student who did not pass the Hearing and Vision Screening in September. If your child did not pass the hearing or the vision screening, please:

- 1) Follow up with your pediatrician or hearing/vision specialist,
- 2) Have your provider complete the required paperwork included with your notification, and
- 3) Return paperwork to Warren ES, Attention: School Nurse, as soon as possible.

I have several gift certificates for FREE eye exams and glasses, if needed if your family income qualifies. Please contact me as soon as possible if you would like me to send a gift certificate home for your child's use. Also please reach out if you need an additional copy of the screening report for your provider.

A REMINDER FOR OUR STUDENTS, PER BCPS POLICY:

Students may not return to school after running a fever greater than 100.0 F until they are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications.

Please continue to send in your children's updated immunizations, physicals, dental, and lead forms! If you need help with obtaining general medical care for your child, please reach out to me so that I can connect you to the Baltimore County Health Department for assistance.

CONTACT INFO FOR THE HEALTH SUITE:

Health Suite Phone: (443) 809-7377

Health Suite Fax: (443) 809-7344 School Nurse Email: kmelito@bcps.org

Thank you!

Kate Melito, School Nurse

Warren PTO

THANK YOU to everyone who donated to this year's Read-a-thon! We exceeded our \$12,000 goal to reach over \$20,000 in donations! We are speechless. This is our biggest fundraiser to date and we'll be able to provide so many more additional resources to Warren now. This community is amazing, thank you again!

Tutti Frutti fundraiser: Time to treat yourself after a long week! Stop by Tutti Frutti (10128 York Rd) on Friday, December 1 from 4 PM - 10 PM, and put your printed receipt in the jar at the register and Warren PTO gets 25% donated back!

Taharka Brothers Ice Cream fundraiser: 🍦 It's time to order Taharka Brothers ice cream while raising money for Warren Elementary at the same time! 🍦 Ordering opens Friday, December 1 and goes through Wednesday, December 6 with a delivery date of Friday, December 8. For every case you order, \$10 goes back to the PTO! If you think a case of ice cream is too much, we can convince you otherwise OR just split it with a friend, neighbor or family member. Go here to order and make sure to enter the code WARRENCUBS at checkout: <https://deliver.taharkabrothers.com/fundraiser/progress/warrencubs>

Yoga Night/PTO Meeting on Tuesday, Dec 12: On Tuesday, Dec. 12 bring the whole family for yoga night at Warren Elementary at 6:15 p.m. It will be led by the amazing Shari Malowitz. Then stay for the monthly PTO meeting at 7 p.m.— Pizza AND babysitters are provided.

Texas Roadhouse fundraiser on Tuesday, Dec. 19: Dine in or take out from Texas Roadhouse and they will donate a portion of sales back to the PTO. Look for more details about this fundraiser closer to the date.

Please stay connected to events and activities sponsored by the PTO through their website.

<https://warrenes.bcps.org/pto>

