

# WARREN ELEMENTARY NEWS

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## January 2024

DATE	EVENT	TIME
01/02/2024	School Re-opens	
01/09/2024	PTO Meeting	6:30pm
01/09/2024	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra and Band Winter Concert	7:00pm
01/15/2024	<b>Schools Closed</b> – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	All day
01/19/2024	Second Marking Period Ends- <b>School closes 3 hours early</b>	<b>School closes at 12:30pm</b>
01/23/2024	Math Night – Food Lion	6:00pm-7:30pm

### *Principal's Message, Tricia Angelini*

Happy New Year! As we ring in the new year, it is an exciting time to reflect on all that we have accomplished so far this school year. We are also looking ahead to maintain our focus on rigorous instruction for all students and maintaining outstanding attendance. As the second marking period comes to an end, please be sure to review your child's progress and reach out to the teacher with any questions or concerns you may have.

### *Literacy Committee*

The Literacy Committee sponsored a winter break reading challenge. Students read over winter break and filled their pizza with toppings. All students who returned their pizza sheet received a kids meal coupon from Texas Roadhouse. Thank you to all that participated in the winter 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. It is not too late to join the challenge and win tickets to a Towson University Men or Women's basketball game. The challenge runs Friday, December 1st through Saturday, January 13th. Click [HERE](#) for more information about the challenge and how to sign up.

<https://www.bcpl.info/blog/2023/winter-reading-challenge-for-elementary-aged-kids>

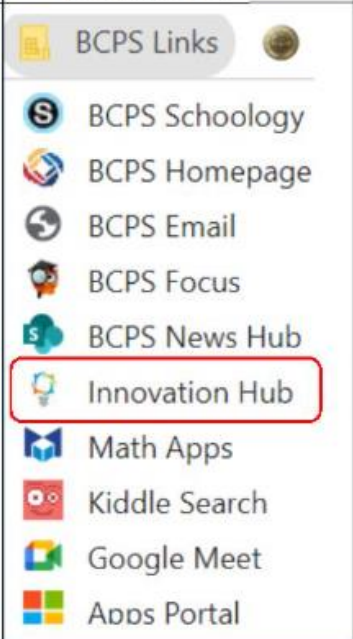



The NEA Read Across America elementary book of the month for December is “When Rubin Plays” by Gracey Zhang. Find out more here!

<https://www.nea.org/professional-excellence/student-engagement/read-across-america/2023-2024-calendar/january-2024>

January 15th is Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day. There are many books celebrating Dr. King. Why not read Let the Children March by Monica Clark-Robinson or Martin Rising, A Requiem of a King by Andrea Davis-Pinkey.

### **Mathematics Committee**

Happy New Year! This month’s math committee’s focus is on the Bridges in Mathematics math apps. To access this application, students must be logged into their BCPS accounts on their devices. Once opening the browser, students can click “BCPS Links” on the top left of their screen, then select the Math Apps icon. Students can also enter the website, <https://www.mathlearningcenter.org/apps>, to access the same apps. These free apps are based on visual models featured in your student’s Bridges in Mathematics math curriculum. There are a variety of digital applications for your child to use to access visual models at home, such as fraction bars, a clock, math vocabulary cards, a number line, and more! To open the app on your computer, please click the “open with web app” link below the resource.

<b>To Access:</b>	<b>Example from Site:</b>		
 <p>BCPS Links</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>BCPS Schoology</li><li>BCPS Homepage</li><li>BCPS Email</li><li>BCPS Focus</li><li>BCPS News Hub</li><li><b>Innovation Hub</b></li><li>Math Apps</li><li>Kiddle Search</li><li>Google Meet</li><li>Apps Portal</li></ul>	 <p><b>Fractions</b></p> <p>Represent fractions with denominators from 1 to 100 with circle and bar models.</p> <p><a href="#">Learn more</a></p> <p><a href="#">Open web app</a> <small>.IOS</small> <a href="#">Chrome</a></p>	 <p><b>Geoboard</b></p> <p>Stretch virtual bands around pegs to form line segments and polygons.</p> <p><a href="#">Learn more</a></p> <p><a href="#">Open web app</a> <small>.IOS</small> <a href="#">Chrome</a></p>	 <p><b>Math Clock</b></p> <p>Explore time, fractions, and more on virtual clocks with geared or free-moving hands.</p> <p><a href="#">Learn more</a></p> <p><a href="#">Open web app</a> <small>.IOS</small> <a href="#">Chrome</a></p>

## **Counselor's Corner:**

### Warren Elementary's Virtue of the Month Program- Compassion

During the month of January, students will be learning what compassion means and discussing how they can show compassion to their peers.

The virtue of compassion means we become mindful of others around us and treat them with kindness and respect. Compassion helps us show empathy towards others and helps us understand them.

Students will be introduced to the virtue of compassion during their morning meetings. While being introduced to this virtue, students will start discussing its definition and thinking of ways to show compassion to the school community. Students can also discuss how they can show compassion for themselves.

Students can show compassion by demonstrating kindness to their friends, sharing a crayon or a pencil when a classmate needs one. Students can show compassion by actively listening and being forgiving when someone has wronged them. One act of compassion can go along and transform society to be a positive uplifting space.

## **School Nurse, Kate Melito**

HEARING & VISION SCREENING FOLLOW-UP: Notices were sent out for any student that 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 a number of 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.

INCOMPLETE PAPERWORK: Over the next several weeks I will be reviewing charts and sending reminders for students that are missing physical, dental, and/or lead forms. Please have this medical paperwork completed at your earliest convenience and return it to Warren ES, Attention: School Nurse. 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.

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.

CONTACT INFO FOR THE HEALTH SUITE:

Health Suite Phone: (443) 809-7377

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

### **Warren PTO**

**January PTO meeting:** Join us on Tuesday, January 9 at 6:30 p.m. for the monthly PTO meeting. The meeting will take place before the band concert that evening. We'll have lots to discuss including: Pizza BINGO, Spring Fest, new board members and more!

**NEW Yogi-Ninja club** is starting on January 5. Ninja Action is a martial arts-based fitness class that focuses on body mindfulness, kindness, compassion, spatial distancing, self-advocacy, self-esteem, and leadership skills. It's led by Shari Malowitz, who is a Tae Kwon Do Black Belt, National Gold Medalist and a certified Yoga & Fitness Instructor. Questions?

Email: [NinjaActionTraining@gmail.com](mailto:NinjaActionTraining@gmail.com)

Cost: \$120 for 10 Classes. Register here: <https://ninjaactiontraining.com/>.

*Question: My child wants to participate, but I cannot afford it. What can I do? Ninja action offers scholarships specifically for this. If you have this situation, please reach out directly, [NinjaActionTraining@gmail.com](mailto:NinjaActionTraining@gmail.com), and we can get your child enrolled. No one should ever feel that way.*

**NEW Theater program:** Imagination 101 is bringing a new after-school arts program for Warren students in grades 1 - 5! Students put on a production of The Little Mermaid Jr! Students will participate in 14 weekly classes every Thursday, after school from 3:45 - 4:45 p.m. beginning 2/27 thru 6/4. Final performance will be on Saturday, 6/8 at 7:30 p.m. Register online [here: tinyurl.com/WarrenMermaid](https://tinyurl.com/WarrenMermaid). Cost: \$250 per child. A flyer will be sent home with more details. *A limited amount of financial scholarships are available to help with the cost of this program. Please email [warrencubspto@gmail.com](mailto:warrencubspto@gmail.com) to find out more.*

**Tutti Frutti Fundraiser:** On January 5, stop by Tutti Frutti from 4 PM - 10 PM and put your printed receipt in the jar at the register and Warren PTO gets 25% donated back!

**New Spirit Wear:** [Shop our online store](#) year-round! We have NEW cozy sweatpants, comfy sweatshirts and more to keep your whole family warm and stylish this winter!

**Used Spirit Wear:** Do you have old Warren spirit wear that your kids don't fit into anymore? Or maybe your kids have moved on to middle school and don't need it anymore? There is a bin in the school lobby where kids can bring gently used Warren Spirit Wear. The PTO will repurpose! Thank you!

**Pizza BINGO:** Save the date for Pizza BINGO. This year it's taking place on Thursday, February 8. More details coming soon.

**Spring Fest:** It's never too early to start thinking about Spring! Save the date for this year's Spring Fest, which is taking place on Saturday, April 27. If you're interested in helping, we need volunteers to start helping with the silent auction. Email [warrencubspto@gmail.com](mailto:warrencubspto@gmail.com) if you're interested.

**New PTO Board members:** If you're interested in joining the PTO Executive Board, please let us know! Next school year we will need a new president, vice presidents and treasurer. The PTO is a great way to be involved at Warren Elementary and make an impact. Talk to us more about it and see what's possible! Email [warrencubspto@gmail.com](mailto:warrencubspto@gmail.com) or reach out to any of the current members.