# Community Conversation September 11, 2024



Together we are strong. Together, we unite. Together we soar.

We are Westlawn.

"Individually unique...Together extraordinary"

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### 3-HOUR EARLY RELEASE: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16!



Students get out at 12:30 PM on Monday, September 16! We need to know where each one will go that day. Please make sure you fill out your form so we have a record!

#### LOCKDOWN DRILL

× 2 drills/year

PreK and K do not participate in Drill #1

Families receive notice at least 24 hours in advance

X Tips for families

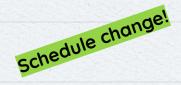


# DATES AND EVENTS



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#### 24-25 WESTLAWN DATES

September 14: Free Dental Clinic Registration (9:00 AM - 11:00 AM)

September 16: Students Release Three Hours Early (12:30 PM)

September 16: First Meeting of The Bandage Project

September 17: First Night of the Family Literacy Program

Contact Mrs. Reyes to enroll: email | 703-241-5125

September 18: Color Day: Wear Yellow!

September 18: Restaurant Night @ Westlawn (4:00 PM)

September 19: Back to School Night (4:30 PM - 6:00 PM)

September 24: <u>AAP Overview Information Session</u> (5:00 PM - 6:00 PM, Westlawn Library)

October 2: First Day of HIPPY (10:00 AM - 1:30 PM)

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#### FREE DENTAL CLINIC!

- Must preregister on 9/14 from 9:00-11:00 AM
- X St. Patrick's Episcopal Church
- Limited to 150 patients
- Fliers in English and Vietnamese





#### iClínica Dental Gratuita!

Cortesía de



#### Hope For Tomorrow



Limitado a 150 pacientas

Nosotros proporcionamos:

Limpieza, Extracción, Rellenos y mucho más!

#### ¿Cuando?

Es importante realizar la preinscripción el dia 14 de Septiembre a las 9:00 a -11:00 am. No permitirá pacientes sin cita previa.

¿Dónde?

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church 3241 Brush Drive Falls Church, VA 22042

Las citas son para el 28 de Septiembre de 2024 de 7:30 am a 2:30 pm







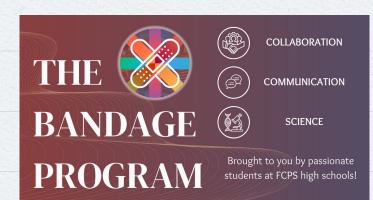






## THE BANDAGE PROGRAM

#### Sign up here!



#### WHAT DO WE DO?



Hold educational virtual meetings on the most current topics in medicine and science!

Host in-person science fairs with surgical simulations, nature observations, and night sky watches!

\*Stay tuned for our event at Fairfax County's

VolunteerFest!



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#### **FALL SESSION**

September 16th - December 20th, 2024

Grades K-4: 1-hr/wk

Grades 5-8: 90-min/wk





#### COLOR DAYS TO SUPPORT KINDERGARTEN



All Westlawn community members are invited to wear the color of the day on Wednesdays to help kindergarten students learn colors! Color days will be listed on the website calendar and reminders will be shared via social media.

Wednesday, September 18: Wear Yellow!

#### RESTAURANT NIGHT @ WESTLAWN

- Featuring Lebanese Taverna
- X Order by 5:00 PM on September 17
- Pickup at Westlawn on September 18,4:00 PM, near kiss and ride (Door 10)
- X Reheat at home
- X Take photos of your family enjoying the meal and share with Ms. Dushok!







## BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

4:30-5:00

Visit Classrooms

5:00-5:30 & 5:30-6:00

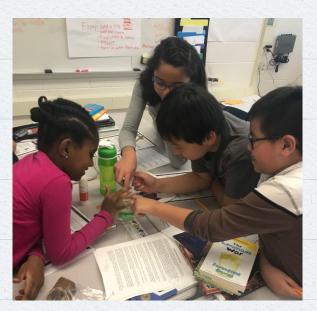
Academic Sessions

Translation Available



#### AAP OVERVIEW INFORMATION MEETING

- Learn about the <u>Advanced</u>
  <u>Academics Program</u> at
  Westlawn and in FCPS!
  - x Tuesday, September 24
  - x 5:00-6:00 PM
  - X Westlawn Library





# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



OPORTUNIDADES PARA VOLUNTARIOS



#### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: PAINT SHIRT REFRESHER

- Art teachers want help to wash the paint shirts on the weekend
- Pick up a basket of shirts Friday afternoon, wash over the weekend, and return Monday morning
- Contact Ms. Terrell if you are interested



Photo by Julian Vera Film

#### SUBMIT AN FCPS CARES

Know a teacher or Westlawn staff member who has gone above and beyond since school began? Please submit them for an FCPS CARES award!





#### BE A BLUE STAR FEATURED FAMILY

We want to celebrate our **military families** during **Blue Star Welcome Week** by sharing their stories on social media. Is your family a military family and would like to be featured? Or do you know a military family who might be interested? Please reach out to <u>Ms. Dushok</u>.





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# REMINDERS



# RECORDATORIOS





#### ATTENDANCE MATTERS

- Students who miss 10% of the school year (18 days, about 2 per month) are considered chronically absent.
- The Westlawn Attendance Team is here to help!





#### WESTLAWN ATTENDANCE TEAM

Members:	Process:
Silvia Caballero	X At 5 absences families will receive a
Marcela Escalante	direct message on TalkingPoints to alert
Sarah Jacoby	them that 5 days have been missed.
<u>Marisa Johnson</u>	* Additional action will be taken at various intervals to combat chronic absenteeism
<u>Hilda Reyes</u>	and support families in getting children
	to school regularly.



## ABSENCE, EARLY DISMISSAL, LATE ARRIVAL PROCEDURES

- x Send an email: <u>WestlawnElem.Attendance@fcps.edu</u>
- <u>Use ParentVUE</u>
- x Call us at 703-241-5151

Please *do not* use TalkingPoints for absences, early dismissals, and late arrivals because it is not monitored 24/7!



## CELEBRATIONS



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## THANK YOU, SCOUTS!





#### SOCIAL MEDIA AT WESTLAWN



Follow us on social media for timely updates and TONS of photos!

¡Síguenos en social media para actualizaciones oportunas y TONELADAS de fotos!



#### **Ways to Connect and Communicate**

Formas de conectar y comunicar

Weekly Family Message (Newsletter)



Photos, Celebrations, & Announcements



Upcoming Events, Students' Online Classrooms





Chat with Staff via Text Messages



Information Hub





www.fcps.edu



