

If transportation changes are needed, please contact the main office by 1:30pm. We communicate dismissal needs to our staff at 1:30pm. Changes made after 1:30 are hard to communicate. We appreciate your support.

Winter parties are scheduled for Tuesday, December 19th. If you are choosing to join us for the winter parties, we ask that you not bring additional children. We do understand this may create a hardship for you however, our room parents plan crafts, games, food and treats for the number of students in the class. Your help is greatly appreciated. Per policy, please only send in store bought items that are sealed and have ingredients listed. Visitors will be required to sign in at the main office on party days. Signing in does take a few minutes please plan ahead. In addition, head/assistant room parents may arrive 15 minutes before the party to set up. Times are listed below.

Kindergarten	1:00-2:00	(room parents may arrive 12:45)
First grade	11:50-12:50	(room parents may arrive 11:35)
Second grade	12:15-1:15	(room parents may arrive 12:00)
Third Grade	10:15-11:15	(room parents may arrive 10:00)
Fourth Grade	8:15-9:15	(room parents may arrive 8:00)
Fifth Grade	9:30-10:30	(room parents may arrive 9:15)

Lunch account balances can be paid via your parent portal through Infinite Campus or by cash/check sent to school. Please make checks payable to Warren County R-III.

## WRE calendar of events

DECEMBER '23						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

5 K-1 Progress reports home

4-8 Santa Shop (see flyer)

8 Cookies with Santa 5-7

12 3<sup>rd</sup> grade concert

14 2<sup>nd</sup> grade concert

14 Papa Joh's Pizza Night

19 Winter Parties

20 Dismissal 12:41

21-Jan. 3 Winter Break





# The Fine Arts Update



Counselor, Library, Art, Music & PE  
December 2023

## Counselor Corner with Ms. Schnelting

WOW, it is already December! I hope your child is enjoying the school year.

In counselor class, students learned what a veteran is and what they have done for our country. We discussed gratitude, giving and compassion for the month of November. We were excited to be able to hold our Veterans Day breakfast and assembly this year!!

December's lesson focus is on bullying. Students will learn how to be a good friend and to treat others with respect. Students will learn what bullying is and how it is different from everyday conflict and disagreements.

Happy Holidays!

Ms. Schnelting

[schneltinger@warrencor3.k12.mo.us](mailto:schneltinger@warrencor3.k12.mo.us)

Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible

## Learning at the Library with Ms. Weber

It's the perfect time of the year to snuggle up with a good book! Hopefully, you were able to refresh and recharge over Thanksgiving week.

December we will be working on some STEM activities connected with some cute holiday books. They will be using the design process to complete the task. We (4th & 5th grades) will also be finishing up our first looks at each of the Mark Twain nominated books.

Please remember to read over the winter break. Try to read at least 20 minutes each day! This will help you become a GREAT reader!

I hope you and your family have a relaxing and peaceful break! See you all in the new year!

Ms. Weber

[weberk@warrencor3.k12.mo.us](mailto:weberk@warrencor3.k12.mo.us)

## Amazing Art with Mrs. Allen

Thank you for your support with the Square 1 Art Fundraiser!

*Creativity is a valuable trait to continue practicing throughout your young artist's life. It is what makes us human. Art is how we express our feelings, emotions, beliefs, and interests. Art builds on other subjects like science, language arts, world cultures, and math. Art helps heal the soul and destress in times of turmoil or trauma. Whether your artists likes to paint, draw, or build, let them. Let them make art! And don't stop! Encourage what they create, whether it is a simple pencil drawing or an elaborate lego structure. Build their confidence to create more.*

**2nd and 4th:** We are exploring paint!

**3rd and 5th:** We are in the process of making original ideas out of clay.

**Kindergarten and 1st:** We exploring the element of art **FORM** by creating puppets and using modeling medium.

Thank you for the donations! Keep them coming, we love them in the art room!

**Mrs. Allen:** [allenle@warrencor3.k12.mo.us](mailto:allenle@warrencor3.k12.mo.us)





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## Positively Awesome PE By Coach Westphal

### New Info!

The Read, Right, Run Club is coming back!

The **GO! St. Louis Read, Right & Run Marathon®** is a fully integrated marathon program for children in grades K-8 that focuses on literacy, fitness, and character development. Students are challenged to **READ** 26 books, **RIGHT** the community with 26 good deeds and learn to set goals to **RUN** the necessary miles in preparation for their final race. After weeks of hard work, the program culminates each year when the students complete their race day goals of a 1.2 mile race or a 5K race on April 6, 2024.

The RRR club is run by Coach Westphal. The club will meet weekly on Thursdays after school starting February 1 in the WRE Gym. 3:30-4:30

#### Club Meeting dates:

February 1-8-15-22-29

March 7-14-21

April 4

Race Day - Saturday April 6.

Info letter & sign up online is below!



[Parent Letter/Online Registration/Paper form](#)

WRE Deadline to Register is **JANUARY 12, 2024**

Happy Thanksgiving!

*Coach Westphal*



## Noteworthy News By Mrs. Gadberry



### **Performance Dates:**

Every year students have a performance. Each performance is held in the WRE Gym at 6:00pm. Mark your calendars for the following dates:

5th Gd - Nov. 14th

4th Gd - Nov. 16th

3rd Gd - Dec 12th

2nd Gd - Dec 14th

1st Gd - March 21st

Kindergarten May 23rd



Musically Yours,  
Mrs. Ashley Gadberry  
WRE Music Teacher



# READING CORNER

Warrior Ridge Elementary

## TIPS TO SUPPORT YOUR READER

As your child reads Fiction texts, ask:

- Who are the main characters?
- How have the characters changed during the book?
- What questions do you have as you are reading?
- Is the story written in first or third person point of view?
- What is the author's purpose? Persuade, Inform, Entertain?
- What do you predict will happen next?
- What lesson did the characters learn?
- What was your favorite part and why?
- Did you like the ending? If not, how would you change it?

## WRE READING INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT TEACHERS

Jennifer Hanify (K-1):  
hanifyj@warrencor3.k12.mo.us

Renee Struttmann (2-3):  
struttmannr@warrencor3.k12.mo.us

Hope Borgstede (2-3):  
borgstedeh@warrencor3.k12.mo.us

Jennifer Dyer (4-5):  
dyerj@warrencor3.k12.mo.us

## WONDERFUL WEBSITE

<https://pbskids.org/games/reading>

This site has several games of varying ability. Students can listen to stories, match letters, practice rhyming, and more!

## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Mrs. Dyer's fifth grade students are using "witchy fingers" to practice pointing to the words as they are reading!





# The Santa Shop

Warrior Ridge Students will have the opportunity to purchase gifts for family members at our school Santa Shop.

Students will shop independently during their library time the week of  
**December 5th- December 8th, 2023**

The Santa Shop will also be opened on Friday, December 8th at Cookies with Santa from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

All items are \$1.00 and there is no tax.

Cash or check made payable WRE PTO

(A student who buys 5 gifts will only need \$5.00)

Please look below for your child's assigned shopping day.

Tuesday December 5, 2023	Wednesday December 6, 2023	Thursday December 7, 2023	Friday December 8, 2023
Mrs. Flake/Mrs. Gagliano Mrs. Logan Mrs. Hughes Ms. Jasper Mrs. Thornton Mrs. Glover	Ms. Pennington/Mrs. Gagliano Mrs. Reihms Ms. Fahland Mrs. Hugo Ms. Bader	Mrs. Casey/Mrs. Gagliano Mrs. Esteves Mrs. Curless/Mrs. Miller Ms. Pogue Mrs. Busateri Ms. Moore	Ms. Hambach/Mrs. Gagliano Ms. Knickmeyer Mrs. Douglas Mrs. Juergensmeyer Ms. Friedrichsmeyer Mrs. Pedigo

To make it easier for your shopper, you may complete the "nice" list below.

Please have \_\_\_\_\_ shop for:

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
6.	7	8.	9.	10.



# *Cookies with Santa*

**When: Friday, December 8th, 2023**

**Time: 5:00-7:00 p.m.**

**Where: Warrior Ridge Elementary**



**Admission is \$ 3.00 per child**  
(Adults and kids 2 and under are free)

**Admission includes:**

Visit with Santa and the Grinch  
Create a Christmas Craft  
Enjoy some Cookies and Milk

**Shop at our school Santa Shop**  
While supplies last  
(Everything is \$1.00)



**Please return payment along with your reservation  
by Wednesday, December 6, 2023  
Please make checks payable to WRE PTO**

**Name of Student:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of children:** \_\_\_\_\_ **@ \$3.00 each =** \_\_\_\_\_



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
				<b>1</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chicken Rice Soup</li> <li>• GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH</li> <li>• CHEF SALAD</li> <li>• GLAZED CARROTS</li> <li>• FRUIT</li> <li>• Oatmeal Cookies</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> </ul>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CHICKEN PATTY ON BUN</li> <li>• HAM AND CHEESE MELT</li> <li>• CHEF SALAD</li> <li>• BROCCOLI</li> <li>• FRESH FRUIT</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> </ul>	<b>6</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Quesadilla Cheese</li> <li>• HAMBURGER</li> <li>• CHEF SALAD</li> <li>• REFRIED BEANS</li> <li>• MIXED FRUIT</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> </ul>	<b>7</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PIZZA - CHEESE</li> <li>• CORN DOG</li> <li>• CHEF SALAD</li> <li>• GREEN BEANS</li> <li>• FRENCH FRIES</li> <li>• FRESH FRUIT</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> </ul>	<b>8</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CHILI</li> <li>• HOT DOG</li> <li>• CHEF SALAD</li> <li>• CRACKERS</li> <li>• CARROTS</li> <li>• CHILLED PEARS</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> </ul>
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PIZZA WEDGE PEPPERONI</li> <li>• CHICKEN NUGGETS W/ ROLL</li> <li>• CHEF SALAD</li> <li>• SPINACH SALAD</li> <li>• APPLE SAUCE</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> </ul>	<b>13</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CHICKEN PATTY ON BUN</li> <li>• STEAK BURGER WITH CHEESE</li> <li>• CHEF SALAD</li> <li>• REFRIED BEANS</li> <li>• FRESH FRUIT</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> </ul>	<b>14</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TURKEY WITH GRAVY</li> <li>• CHICKEN STRIPS</li> <li>• CHEF SALAD</li> <li>• MASHED POTATOES W/GRAVY</li> <li>• GLAZED CARROTS</li> <li>• MIXED FRUIT</li> <li>• WHOLE WHEAT ROLL</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> </ul>	<b>15</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CHICKEN ALFREDO</li> <li>• GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH</li> <li>• CHEF SALAD</li> <li>• SEASONED GREEN BEANS</li> <li>• FRUIT</li> <li>• COOKIE-</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> </ul>
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CHICKEN QUESADILLA</li> <li>• STEAK BURGER WITH CHEESE</li> <li>• CHEF SALAD</li> <li>• REFRIED BEANS</li> <li>• BABY CARROTS</li> <li>• FRESH FRUIT</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> </ul>	<b>20</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MACHO NACHOS</li> <li>• CORN DOG</li> <li>• CHEF SALAD</li> <li>• REFRIED BEANS</li> <li>• FRESH FRUIT</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> </ul>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>