

# HALL SCHOOL DIGITAL BACKPACK

February 2, 2024



Monday, February 5	Music Monday, Chamber Singers 2:45-4pm, Jazz Band 4:30 - 6pm
Monday, February 5	Munson's 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Fundraiser Begins
Tuesday, February 6	HMS Boys' Basketball Playoffs, HMS vs. STEM, Home 3:45pm
Wednesday, February 7	Afterschool Clubs (Physical Activity Club Canceled)
Thursday, February 8	WEALTH
Thursday, February 8	Bingo Night, Willington Hill Fire House 7pm
Monday, February 12	Music Monday, Chamber Singers 2:45-4pm, Jazz Band 4:30 - 6pm
Wednesday, February 14	Afterschool Clubs
Thursday, February 15	Early Dismissal
February 16, 19, 20	No School: Staff Development, Presidents' Day, Vacation Day

Hello, Hall Families!

Here are some events and reminders for Hall Memorial School:

## **Washington, DC Trip - Munson's Fundraiser**

We are excited to announce that we will be selling Munson's products to benefit those students who are attending the Washington, DC trip. The fundraiser begins on February 5th, 2024 and ends February 28th, 2024. The link to order the delicious confections is below.

<https://www.munsonschocolates.com/online-fundraising/willington-public-schools-hall-memorial-schoolconnecticut/>.

Orders will arrive in time for the Easter holiday and other spring events! Anyone can order, so please share this link with your friends and family!

## **Washington, DC Payment Reminder:**

The next payment is due for Washington, DC no later than February 15, 2024. The payment amount is \$300. All funds raised through fundraisers will be deducted from the final payment due in April. Please make checks payable to: **HMS SAF**. Cash is also accepted, however, should be brought directly to the office in an envelope labeled with your child's name.

## **Basketball News**

Congratulations to the Boys' Basketball team as they advance to the first game of the playoffs! The game will be held on Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at 3:45 pm against STEM (Charles Barrows STEM Academy). We encourage all of our Falcon fans to come out to cheer on the team, but **please be aware that, due to supervision issues, students MAY NOT stay after school until game time.**

## **COVID Protocols**

We have seen a considerable uptick in our COVID cases district-wide, especially since we returned from the holiday break. Our local health department (Eastern Highlands Health District) also reports a variety of other respiratory viruses circulating in Willington and surrounding communities. Please take precautions to keep our school community healthy. The school nurses have COVID tests for families with students who are symptomatic. You can find our [COVID protocols](#) on our school website. Please keep your child home from school if they are experiencing significant respiratory symptoms. We appreciate your continued support and as always, please feel free to contact the school nurse with questions. There has also been an increase in cases of the flu and RSV. If your child is sick, please do not send them to school. Remember that students must be fever-free for 24 hours before returning to school. We appreciate your attention and cooperation in keeping our school community healthy and safe!

**Remind your child that sharing water bottles, eating utensils, and food items is a potential risk for them!**

## **PTA Dates to Remember:**

- **February 8th:** No PTA Meeting! The winter Gala committee will be meeting at 6pm at the Willington Public Library.
- **February 8th:** 8th grade parents will be sponsoring a Bingo night at the Willington Hill Fire Department at 24 Old Farms Road to benefit the 8th grade dance, a parent-planned event. Bingo cards are \$5 per round. There will be 50/50 raffles sold and light refreshments will be served. The event begins at 7:00 pm.
- **February 23rd:** Winter Family Gala - Dress up the family and come on out to HMS for some fun, food, and dancing. The PTA will be sponsoring our second annual Winter Family Gala. \$25 per family. There will be a DJ playing all the good stuff and Photographer getting some fun candid! The PTA will have a concession stand offering hot dogs, chips, and drinks. Cash and Card are both accepted. Doors open at 5:45 pm!
- **March 2nd-6th:** Read Across America Week! The PTA will be sponsoring a Read-A-Thon to get our students reading. More info to come!
- **March 14th: 6pm.** PTA Meeting in the Hall School Library

## **Spiritwear:**

We are excited to announce that the PTA will be running a Spiritwear store for all of the Willington Public Schools and EO Smith merchandise. The links for purchasing can be found on the flyers in this DB. Scan the QR code for access to the website!

HMS link:

[https://1stplacespiritwear.com/schools/CT/Willington/Hall+Memorial+Middle+School?utm\\_source=18442&utm\\_medium=affiliate&utm\\_campaign=school-direct](https://1stplacespiritwear.com/schools/CT/Willington/Hall+Memorial+Middle+School?utm_source=18442&utm_medium=affiliate&utm_campaign=school-direct)

## **Calendar:**

We will have an early release day on Thursday, February 15th for staff development. February 16th is not a school day for students, however, staff has professional development. We will return to school on February 21st after the President's Day holiday break.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

*Mary Kay Tshonas, Principal*

## **Flyers:**

WPS February Menu

WPS Help Wanted

CES Baby Photos  
PTA CES Valentine's Day Photos  
PTA Spirit Wear  
PTA Winter Gala  
WPL Kids Dance and Movie Night  
WPL Adult Book Club  
WPL Take Your Child to the Library Day  
WPL Reading with Sophie  
WPRD March Boston Trip  
WPL Book Talk  
WPRD Spring Camp  
Stafford Little League  
WAM Spring Registration  
4-H Summer Camp