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<u>April 6th</u> Spirit Day-Country and Western Day

<u>April 7th 6pm-8pm</u> Grades 1-5 dance for WPS students

April 13th

Author visit for Gr 7-8 students: Deborah Ellis This event is made possible through a Canada150 grant to the Norfolk Public Libraries

<u>April 14th-17th</u> Easter Weekend

April 18th

Jump Rope for Heart Kick off Assembly 11:15am Grade 7-8s to WDHS Signin' in the Rain

April 20th WPS Talent Show

<u>April 21st</u> Spirit Day- Blue and Green for Earth Day

<u>April 26th</u> Spirit Day- Dress as a Parent/Guardian Day

<u>April 28th</u> PD Day SAVE THE DATE: MAY 4th 6pm-7:30pm EDUCATION WEEK OPEN HOUSE

Want to know more of what is happening?

Visit our school website at www.granderie.ca/schools/waterford

Follow us on twitter @mich05gedsb

Do you have any spare time to help out with the **Nutrition Program in the mornings?**

Email Sherry Graham at skowtaluk@yahoo.ca

Continuing the move to School Cash online...

Our secretary has been off due to illness, so we are not able to offer online orders for May. We will only be using paper orders. June's orders will be available on school cash online. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Almost half of our families have now signed up for School Cash Online, a fee payment system that allows parents to use online banking for student hot lunches, drinks, class trips etc.

Please enroll by registering online at: https://granderie.schoolcashonline.com/

Registered parents will receive notification when trips, hot lunches etc. become available for you to order and pay.

Speech Competition

On Saturday, March 25th Grace Giles and Dobby Jonathan competed in the second round of the Legion's speech contest held in Simcoe.

Grace Giles placed 3rd

Dobby Jonathan placed 1st and moved on to the next round (District) held on April1st. He won 1st place at District too, so he is now on the road again, this time to Tecumseh, Ontario! Congratulations, Dobby!





Math Moments

What can I do to support my child's math learning?

Be positive about math!

Avoid saying "I was never good at math" or "I never liked math." Show that you think math is important and interesting. Use numbers when you discuss daily activities, sports, and so on. Look for opportunities for math to be a natural part of your conversations.

Support for Problem Solving

If your child is struggling with a problem, remind your child that problem solving takes time. It also takes perseverance.

Use question prompts to help your child discover a solution. For example:

- What information are you given? What are you asked to find?
- What is happening in the problem? Can you draw a picture of the situation to help you solve it? What other ways could you represent the problem? (e.g. make a model, act it out, write a number sentence or equation, organize the data in a table, etc.)
- What do you know by looking at the diagram?
- What strategies have you used before that you might try here?
- Is there another way you might have solved this problem?

Encourage your child to use problem-solving strategies he/she is learning in school. For example:

- consider starting with the simplest part of the problem
- make a model or draw a diagram
- make a table, chart or list
- guess, check, and revise
- look for a pattern
- use a formula
- work backward

Encourage your child to always check for accuracy of his/her work

By checking, your child will practice skills, build understanding, and become more self- reliant. Ask your child to explain why the solution is correct or incorrect

Talk aloud as you solve everyday problems of all kinds

Discuss alternate approaches and solutions with your child. Modelling how to solve a problem with your child will give your child more ideas and strategies.

