

# HOOKER HAPPENINGS

**MARCH 20 – 24, 2017**

## IMPORTANT DATES



Thursday, March 23<sup>RD</sup> 6 – 7:30 PM

Hootenanny Whitney Ave

Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> 12:50 PM

Early Dismissal (No afterschool)

Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>

No School (Good Friday)

Mon-Fri April 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>

Spring Vacation

## ALL SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPALS

Greetings Parents,

It is **extremely important** that drop off and pick up times are observed. Please have your child to school on time. All students must be **picked up promptly at 2:50 PM everyday** unless they are attending after school programs. For early dismissal all students must be picked up promptly at 12:50 PM.

**CONGRATULATIONS** – Congratulations to 8th grade students, Gabriele Festa and Alexandra (Sasha) Northrup on receiving an award from the South Central Area Superintendent's Association (SCASA) this past Friday at a luncheon held in their honor for academic excellence and community service as well as school involvement.

### CMEA Southern Regional Music Festival

12 student musicians represented Worthington Hooker at the annual CMEA Southern Regional Music Festival in Higganum, CT. They auditioned for this festival in December, and have been preparing their music the last few months. In just two days, they worked with their ensembles/conductors to produce a superb, high quality concert. Those musicians are Annabelle Boyd, Pablo Giannotti-Garlinghouse, Catalina Homann, Julian Kidd, J.J Kim, Young In Kim, Emily Lathers, Sasha Northrup, Margo Pedersen, David Rodriguez, Julia Rosado, and Steven Zhang. Congratulations on all your hard work and an excellent performance!

## CONGRATULATIONS TO REGIONAL HISTORY DAY CONTEST AT SCSU PARTICIPANTS

Join me in congratulating the following students who placed in the top three in their respective categories at the Regional History Day contest at SCSU on March 4<sup>th</sup>. They now move on to the state contest on April 29<sup>th</sup>.

### RESEARCH PAPERS:

Mateo Balbarin, 2nd place  
Taivan Jargalan, 3rd place



### INDIVIDUAL EXHIBIT:

Andrei Alexandrov, 2nd place

### INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE:

Millie Carlson, 1st place

### GROUP PERFORMANCE:

Lila Kleppner & Georgiana Clark, 1st place  
Beatrix Coleman & Athena Brown, 3rd place

### GROUP DOCUMENTARY:

Amelia Cox & Alena Gutierrez, 1st place  
Sophia Kang & KeQing Tan, 2nd place

### INDIVIDUAL WEBSITE:

Gabriel Festa, 2nd place  
Yash Thakur, 3rd place

More of our students will participate in a regional contest in Hartford on March 25th. They were attending the Southern Regional Music Festival, and could not attend the New Haven contest.

## NOTE FROM THE NURSE

Dear Parents,

There have been several viruses going around school, so I feel now would be a good time to remind everyone when to keep your child home from school. If you are unsure of what to do, keep your child home until they feel better. When they are "compromised" from fighting an illness it just makes them more vulnerable to contract other illnesses. Keep your child home for the following:

**Fever**

**Vomiting or Diarrhea**

**Persistent Cough**

**Cold or illness**

**Rash or Skin Irritation**

**Pain or headache**

Medications for your child to be taken in school must be accompanied with a legible Healthcare providers consent form to accompany said medication for the nurse. Call me with any health related questions or concerns.

Thanks, Nurse Janice Gemmell

## UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS

Dear Worthington Hooker Parents,

**Saint Jude's Math-a-thon (3/27/17 – 4/28/17)** – Annual fundraiser to raise funds for research to benefit the children of St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Please understand that these fundraisers are OPTIONAL and that we appreciate your support. Thank you.

## WORTHINGTON HOOKER BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION (WHBA)

On March 9 vs. Edgewood, the WHBA squad stayed close early on, as Lucio Kombo hit timely baskets. While Edgewood pulled away for a 29-17 victory, the Celtics saw contributions from all ten players (including Isaac Kleppner, who though unable to play due to a finger injury, cheered on his teammates). Lucio led the way with 8 points, John Carlos Musser scored 4, Elijah Brown 3 (on a 3-pointer with a hand in his face), and Isaac Brown 2. Sam Belcastro, Ignacio Granda, Haoyu Hu, Malachi Sims, and Molly Weinberg all participated enthusiastically, with Ignacio's effort on defense and rebounding especially noteworthy.

## K-2 ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MORNING DROP OFF

Be aware that you must drop your child off at the **SIDE DOOR** in the mornings. Foot traffic in the front door has been over whelming. Please be on time and have your child to school no later than **8:35 AM**.

### AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

**Spring Session** - Applications are available for the Spring Session after school program runs from March 27th – June 20th.

**Mini-Summer Camp** - Applications for Mini-Summer Camp are available in the office or see Mrs. DiPietro. Mini Summer Camp is starts on June 21st and ends on July 1st hours from 8:30 AM – 4PM.

## 3-8 ANNOUNCEMENTS



### 8TH GRADE PROJECT PRIDE TRIP DATES

Overnight Camping at Cedar Crest

Thursday, April 27th – Fri., April 28th

### BE SAFE... UPDATE

The NHPS need your help. In order to keep our students safe, we must have up to date parent or guardian telephone numbers and addresses. In addition, we need emergency contact names and numbers. We are asking all parents to verify that their child's school has information\* that is accurate and complete. When changes occur be sure schools are notified immediately.

\*All student information is confidential and protected by a Federal Law: Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

### CMT SCIENCE TESTING

CMT Science Testing will take place the week of March 27th for the following grades only.

**Grade 5** - Tuesday, March 28, 2017 - 8:50-9:55 (65 minutes)

**Grade 8** - Wednesday, March 29, 2017 - Periods 1 & 2 (70minutes)

# PTA ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ORIGINAL WORKS

The PTA is pleased to sponsor Original Works again this year! Original Works is a wonderful fundraising program that benefits the arts programs at our school. Original Works gives you the opportunity to have your child's artwork reproduced onto a variety of high quality products, including mugs, magnets, t-shirts, note cards, jewelry pendants, tote bags, and more. Individual order packets with your child's artwork have been sent home. Orders are due on Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please contact Gillian Eversman at [gillianeversman@gmail.com](mailto:gillianeversman@gmail.com) with any questions. Thank you for supporting the arts at Worthington Hooker School!

