Dear Stony Brook Families,

It is hard to believe that it is almost Memorial Day!

All of our 8th graders have enjoyed some fun this week and the change of pace was appreciated by all. The field trips in Massachusetts and Washington DC were all very successful and we hope everyone enjoyed the time away from the ordinary school day.

We have a collection of items for the homeless that is being organized by one of our 7th graders-please see below for details and we hope you will consider contributing to help those in need.

There is information about bus registration below—if your child will be riding the bus next year, please be sure to register them for the bus so that Dee Bus can establish their routes.

Have a wonderful long weekend!

Allison and Rick

### Here is some important information for families:

### Collection for the Homeless Through Friday, June 2

One of our 7th graders, Declan R. is spearheading a collection for the homeless. Please click <u>HERE</u> for the flyer he created to publicize his collection. He is collecting items to help those in need, including: floss, thermometers, wet wipes, tissues, masks, toothbrushes, toothpaste, band aids, and hand sanitizer. He has a box in the main lobby. We hope you will help him in this endeavor to help those who are less fortunate.

#### **Bus Registration**

If you would like to register your child for the bus for the 2023-2024 school year, please click <u>HERE</u> for more information. You can register by clicking on this link: <u>23-24 School Bus Registration</u>.

#### **Grade 8 End of Year Plans**

Our 8th grade end of year celebrations will include the following:

Friday, June 16 - Grade 8 Dance - 7-9 pm at Roudenbush

\*\*This is a combined event with Blanchard 8th graders.

\*\*Click <u>HERE</u> for more information and click <u>HERE to buy tickets</u> (\$10 each).

Tuesday, June 20 - Whole School Rally and Grade 8 Awards Assembly

\*\*We will have WCAT here to record the assembly and will share the link with all families.

\*\*This will be a *student only* event.

Wednesday, June 21 - Grade 8 Field Day

### A Note From the Nurse's Office for Families of Current 6th Graders

Please continue to send in your child's physical and immunization records. We require up to date physicals and immunization records **PRIOR** to 7th grade, not during 7th grade. A physical dated September 1, 2022 or after is what I'm looking for. I will be sending letters out within the month letting you know if your child is missing immunizations or an updated physical. You can take a picture of the physical/immunizations and email it to me at <u>sodonnell@westfordk12.us</u> or send a paper copy in with your child.

# Updates from the PTO

# Grade 8 Celebration Event - !! PURCHASE TICKETS HERE !!

The Roudenbush Community Centre in partnership with the Stony Brook and Blanchard School PTOs is planning a fun-filled evening celebration/dance for all Grade 8 students in Westford on **FRIDAY**, **JUNE 16** at 65 Main St, Westford. **Volunteers needed!! SIGN-UP HERE**. This event is possible ONLY if we have enough volunteers so please consider signing up.

# SBSPTO Elections are June 13: SUBMIT NOMINATIONS HERE

The PTO is currently accepting nominations for the 2023-24 PTO Board. You may nominate yourself or another parent (with their permission). **The election will be held on Tue, Jun 13 at 2:30 pm** during the last PTO Meeting of the school year.

Step-by-step guidance will be provided for all positions & current PTO members will assist new members during the transition period. Please do not hesitate to sign-up even if you are unfamiliar with the workings of the PTO or do not have previous PTO experience.

As per the PTO bylaws, the nominating committee comprising current PTO Board members will select a candidate for each office and present the slate at the meeting. Nominations may also be made from the floor at the meeting. Voting shall be by voice vote if a slate is presented. If more than one person is running for any office, a ballot vote will be taken prior to the meeting.

## WA Athletic Boosters Fundraiser-Dinner Delivery from WECO 6/4-6/30

As we get to the final stretch of the school year, take one thing off your to-do list...dinner! WECO has it covered! The Westford Academy Athletic Boosters Club is partnering with WECO Hospitality. WECO is a better way to dine at home, with chef-crafted meals delivered daily to your door.

From June 4th to June 30th, each WECO dinner you enjoy will raise funds to support athletes and athletic programs at WA. WECO will donate 10% of your dinner bill to the Boosters. Click on the link below to learn more. Please click <u>HERE</u> for more information. Whether you are a new or returning WECO customer, it is important that you access the menu via our personal landing page at <u>bit.ly/westford-athletic-boosters</u> to ensure that Boosters gets the 10% donation credit!

The Westford Academy Athletic Boosters Club is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose mission is to raise money supporting all athletic programs at WA. In addition to providing trophies, banners, varsity letters and awards, as well as much-needed team equipment, each year we award scholarships to deserving senior athletes. For the Class of 2023, 42 athletes will each receive a scholarship in the amount of \$400. To learn more about the Boosters and our other fundraising/volunteer opportunities, please email us at waboosters@yahoo.com.

## **Robotics Summer Camp**

Westford Academy Ghost Robotics is excited to be hosting an Electronics Camp this summer! Run and taught by students from Westford Academy's award-winning robotics team, girls and boys from ages 10 to 14 aspiring

to become engineers, interested in robotics, or just looking for something exciting to do over the summer will have the opportunity to dive deep into the world of electronics. Using microcontrollers called Arduinos, campers will be able to further their programming skills and learn how to integrate coding into the physical world by experimenting with wires, resistors, motors, sensors, and a wide variety of other circuitry. For those more interested in the mechanical side of engineering, campers will be able to design components of their projects in 3D computer-aided design softwares, which will be brought to life using the 3D printers at WA. If you're interested in signing up, please click <u>HERE</u> and scan the QR code on the flyer and fill out the google form. We hope to see your child at camp this summer for a fun, electrifying, and informative week of robotics!