



WINTHROP SCHOOL

FAMILY UPDATE #26 2020-2021

SPECIAL FRIDAY UPDATE - APRIL 16TH

HW Library Programs - April Vacation Week!

Wednesday, April 21 3:30-4:30 Mad Science Gross O'Rama program via zoom. Pre-register at [Gross-O'Rama Mad Science](#).

Thursday, April 22 11:00-11:30 Flower Family Yoga outdoors at HW Library. Preregister at [Flower Family Yoga](#).

Cradles to Crayons Clothing Drive:

HW 8th Grader, Aiden Hollaran is collecting NEW and LIKE-NEW clothing for children up to age 12 for **Cradles to Crayons**. Cradles to Crayons is a nonprofit organization that collects donations to put together backpacks and duffel bags for kids in low income areas/families. There will be a collection box outside of Winthrop M-F, 8am - 4pm, through mid-May for you to drop off clothing. Or you can send donations in with your student.

HW Human Rights Coalition Family Book Club:

Is your family interested in having more conversations about social justice and acceptance? Join the Hamilton-Wenham Human Rights Coalition Family Book Club. The next virtual meeting is Saturday, May 8th 9-10am. Sign up by going to: tinyurl.com/HWHRCBookClub

HW Girls Basketball Team Electronics & Appliance Recycling

Fundraiser Saturday, May 8 - 9:00am - 1:00pm @ Winthrop School For a nominal fee electronics and appliances will be taken for environmentally safe recycling. See [flyer](#) for details.

Winthrop Pool Testing Program:

We encourage you to sign your child up to participate in Pool Testing at Winthrop. It is both easy to sign up and easy for your child to do! Even preschoolers are doing it! Pool Testing will be most effective with **full participation** of our students and staff. The next round of pool testing at Winthrop will be on Tuesday, 4/27. If you have not yet consented for your child to participate in the pool testing program and would like to, please fill out a consent form by 4pm on Thursday for testing the following week. If at any time you wish to withdraw consent, please reach out to Jess Baker j.baker@hwschools.net. Consent forms and information can be found on our [HWRSD COVID-19 Pooled Surveillance Testing Program website](#).

IMPORTANT DATES

Mon. Apr 19 - Fri. Apr 23
Vacation Week

Wednesday, April 21
HW Library Program 3:30-4:30
Mad Science Gross O'Rama

Thursday, April 22
HW Library Program 11:00-11:30
Family Flower Yoga

Monday, April 26-Mid May
Cradles to Crayons Drive

Tuesday, April 27
Winthrop Pool Testing

Saturday, May 8
HW Girls Basketball Team
Electronics & Appliance
Recycling Fundraiser
9:00am - 1:00pm

Saturday, May 8
HW Human Rights Coalition
Family Book Club Virtual Meeting
9-10am

Monday, May 31
No School

Wednesday, June 16th
Last Day of School

Kindergarten Registration
Open
[2021-2022 On-Line Kindergarten Registration information and link.](#)

Important COVID links and travel information:
[UPDATED Massachusetts Travel Advisory](#)

Kindergarten Registration:

If you have an incoming kindergarten student, and haven't already done so, please register them for kindergarten ASAP. Spread the word to your friends and neighbors. This will help with planning for our staffing needs for next year. [2021-2022 On-Line Kindergarten Registration information and link.](#)

Grade 4 and 5 Families

Please check your email for a message from School Counselor, Debi Lanigan regarding Human Growth and Development lessons to be delivered on Thursday, April 29th (Gr 4) and Friday, April 30th (Gr 5). You must sign the consent form for your child to participate.

Bus Transportation:

If you are interested in having your child ride the bus to school, please fill out the [HW Transportation Registration](#) form. Please note that it can take 3-4 days after filling out the form for your child to be confirmed on the bus. Questions about buses should be directed to hwtransport@hwschools.net.

Community House After School Care:

The Community House is now open for after school care, as well as full day care options for your child's at home learning days. See the [Community House](#) website for details.

School Lunch Program:

Reminder that school lunches are free through the end of the school year. Students may order a hot lunch or bagel daily. On Wednesday, early release days, students can order a lunch to bring home with them.

Daily Symptoms Checker:

Reminder to complete the [Daily Symptoms Checker](#) before sending your child to school.

Out of State Travel Advisory:

Gov. Baker has revised the Out of State Travel Orders to a [Travel Advisory](#). If you have any questions about out of state travel with your children, please contact Nurse Jess Baker.

[Link to HW Nurse's Newsletter](#) with details about Pool Testing, Vaccine, Masks, Travel Advisory, and Mental Health

[Stop the Spread Testing Sites](#)

Safe Arrival Line/Dismissal Changes

In person days, please call the safe arrival line 978-468-5344 to report your child absent or tardy. Please call the front office @ 978-468-5340 for dismissal changes.