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READING TIME

Have you ever tried to read a book while watching television and listening to your children talk? This is what our 1st to 3rd grade oral reading classes would be like without the help of Mrs. Lisa Odasz and Mrs. Sue Jenks. These ladies take the time to come to school especially to listen to children read. Our class also enjoys the moms, dads, and grandparents who come every Wednesday afternoon to read us exciting books for our "library" time. Guessing who the "reader" will be is always fun for the class. A love of reading opens many doors of learning and adventure. A special thanks to all those who have a part in encouraging that love!



Please contact Mrs. Petrie with any questions.

- Mrs. Petrie



Announcements

Have you checked out the new website?

www.wiltonbaptistchurch.com

There is a brand new section dedicated to the Academy.

Did you lose your school calendar and need to know the dates the students have no school or an activity?

No problem! There are two options. There is a calendar tab which includes school functions or, in the forms and documents tab, there is an option for you to print yourself a new paper calendar.

THE WARRIOR UPDATE

Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God. - 1 Corinthians 10:31

FROM WILTON BAPTIST ACADEMY

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UPCOMING EVENTS

February

- 3rd - No School (Grades: K4 - 3rd)
- 3rd - Student Service Day (Grades: 4th - 12th Wesley)
- 10th - School Spirit Day (Superhero)
- 13th - 17th Special Chapel Week (A Special Speaker Everyday)
- 14th - Report Cards
- 20th - 24th Winter Recess

Return to School on February 27th

March

- 9th - NYACS - HS Field Trip
- 9th - 1st - 6th Field Trip (Auntie Anne's in Queensbury)
- 21st- 23rd - No Kindergarten
- 21st- 23rd - SAT's

HOT LUNCHES

Once a week a hot lunch is provided for our students and faculty. Please support our school by signing up to provide a meal.

The portion size should be large enough to feed 25 people and include a serving of fruits or vegetables. Please sign up on the bulletin board outside the kitchen.

February

- 10th - English Muffin Pizza, Mozzarella Sticks, Salad and Dessert
- 16th - Hot Dogs, French Fries, Chocolate Milk, and Cupcakes
- 27th - Mac & Cheese, Chicken Nuggets, Carrots with ranch available and Cupcakes



Student Service Day - February 3rd

February 3rd grades 4th - 12th will be going to Wesley Nursing Home. Please make sure to wear a clean uniform. A Pancake lunch will be served. Please see enclosed letter for more information.



Practical Ways To Help Your Students Study

Why is it that students dislike tests and quizzes so much? Why aren't our students eager to try their knowledge of the subjects that they daily study? There have been many philosophies generated and answers given in response to this question, but most educators agree that one of the reasons is that some students don't know how to study. I have comprised a list of tips that if consistently practiced, will revolutionize your student's confidence in test-taking.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

5th - Pastor Harness

7th - Mrs. Bushway

27th - Joey D.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
AND MAY GOD
BLESS YOU ON
YOUR SPECIAL
DAY!!**

1. Paying attention in class.

This sounds so elementary but is so true. A student who chooses to focus on the material being presented, to take notes on things he will need to review, and to think about what is being taught will reduce the length of needed study time exponentially.

2. Reviewing Daily.

A student who chooses to briefly review the information from each class, every day, will reinforce the information that will make or break tests.

3. Using proper homework techniques.

- a. Complete homework fully and thoroughly, not just trying to get by. Again, by doing this you are thinking through the things you will need to know.
- b. READ! When you are required to read pages in your text books read with comprehension. This means that you understand the information you are looking at. Many students will only skim the pages, and by doing so they are doing disservice to themselves.

4. Using correct study methods to review before tests.

- Study darkened words, and any chapter or sectional reviews.
- Make sure you know important information that is set off by key words and phrases like: most, never, father of.., always, largest, etc...
- Be aware that dates and places are important also.
- Use acronyms, songs, and comparisons to assist you in remembering information.

February Anniversaries

14th - Mr. and Mrs. McGuire



Practical Ways To Help Your Students Study Continued...

- Teach the information to someone else. This will require you to think through the material.
- Use flash cards. These are great tools that will help you develop quick ways to review material over and over. 3x5 cards are very affordable and accessible.
- Play games with your flash cards. Make studying fun. Be creative in how you study.
- Most people can learn to pick out test questions as they study, if they pay attention during tests.

5. Taking tests correctly.

- Always answer questions you KNOW first and come back to the others later.
- Look for answers in other places on your test. Many times an answer is given in a list or in a multiple choice question.
- Never leave a fill in or essay answer blank. Many teachers will give partial points for partially correct answers.
- Use logic and process of elimination. These two tools can be superheroes and have saved me many times.
- Don't be afraid of essay questions. Write the best answer you can **in sentence format**. These questions can be very intimidating, but they are no harder than any other.
- You may be able to tell if the answer begins with a vowel or a consonant depending on whether they begin your answer with "a" or "an". Many times a test will contain both, so this won't help, but some places it is still helpful.
- Take your time. Don't rush through, but think through.
- Write neatly.
- Do your best.

Any student who desires to do well, and seeks to do his best will find that they can go a long way down the path of success. Let's help our students prepare to succeed by looking tests in the eye and not backing down.

– Pastor Ellis