

# Whitehouse Primary School Golden Eagle News



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WE ARE THE POWERHOUSE!!

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**WHITEHOUSE PRIMARY MISSION STATEMENT:** The mission of Whitehouse Primary is to provide a safe and positive learning environment with the goal of fostering academic excellence and educating each student to become a responsible, respectful and productive citizen.

## From The Principal's Desk:

Whitehouse Primary Families,

It is hard to believe we have already reached the end of another school year. This edition marks the final Golden Eagle for 2008-2009. We have accomplished a great deal over the course of the last 9 months. We hope each and every Whitehouse student and parent has had a highly successful and rewarding school year.

On behalf of the entire staff of Whitehouse Primary I want to wish you all a safe and happy summer break. Enjoy your ten+ weeks away from school and use the time to rest and recharge. Good luck to all of our fourth grade students as they transition to Fallen Timbers.

I encourage all Whitehouse families to choose something academic to do with our students over the summer. There is information about a number of summer opportunities in the kiosk in the main hallway. We may be made aware of additional opportunities after publication of this newsletter. Please be sure to check the kiosk for new information. Whitehouse Primary is also having its very own summer skills program this summer. Look for details about this program in this final edition.

We look forward to seeing all of our returning students again in August. Please look in your mailboxes the week of August 3 for information about back to school 09-10. Class lists will be posted by the end of the day August 7. The school building will be open beginning August 10. Registration Day is scheduled for August 11, and Open House is scheduled for the evening of August 18. August 20 will be our first day of school.

Sincerely,

Mr. Brad Rhodes  
Principal

## Summer Office Hours:

\*June 4 and 5: Normal Hours 8:00 - 4:00

\*Week of June 8: 8:00 - 5:00

Tuesday through Friday

(OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY, JUNE 8)

\*Week of June 15: 8:00 - 5:00

Monday through Thursday

(OFFICE CLOSED FOR THE SUMMER  
FRIDAY, JUNE 19)

**June Lunch Menu:**

**Monday June 1:**

Turkey Gravy and a Roll  
or  
Peanut Butter and Jelly w/ Cheese  
and Pretzel  
Mashed Potatoes  
Fruit  
Milk

**Tuesday, June 2:**

Assorted Pizzas  
or  
Peanut Butter and Jelly w/ Cheese  
and Pretzel  
Garden Salad  
Fruit  
Milk

**Wednesday, June 3:**

**SACK LUNCH WITH:**  
Peanut Butter and Jelly w/ Cheese  
and Pretzel  
Carrots  
Apples  
Milk

**Parents of 08-09 Kindergarten Students:**

This year several Whitehouse families chose other options for their children for kindergarten. Please keep in mind that if your child attended another school this year for kindergarten and you are planning on returning to Whitehouse Primary for first grade, you must enroll your child. You can do so by calling 877-5377 and scheduling an appointment any time this summer.

**Summer Opportunities:**

Each summer we receive many calls about summer opportunities for students. This summer the

Anthony Wayne School District will not be offering a formal summer school program. An optional intervention program will be available for third grade students who do not reach a proficient level at either attempt on their Third Grade Ohio Achievement Tests. This summer remediation is required by law. Parents whose children qualify for this free program will be notified in the coming weeks.

The final few weeks of school we will make available programs throughout the community by posting them by or in the school kiosk in the main hallway.

Anthony Wayne Schools does not endorse any of these programs.

Each summer the school district also provides a list of individuals who have contacted our Central Administrative Offices and have expressed an interest in providing summer tutoring. **This list is now available in the school kiosk.**

This summer we will also have a summer activity program here at school. This will be an optional program for all students, but those who choose to participate will be eligible for rewards upon their return to school in the fall.

If you have questions about any of these summer opportunities, please feel free to call.

**Talent Show:**

The Annual Whitehouse Primary Talent Show is scheduled for the final day of school on June 3. The show will begin at approximately

9:00 AM. Parents are welcome to join us for this fun end of the year tradition.

**Golden Dustpan Winners:**

Our final week for the Golden Dustpan was this week! Here are our final standings. Our Grand Prize winning classes at each grade level will be recognized on June 1 or June 2 with a special class prize.

**Kindergarten:**

*Mrs. Lyren's Class: 16 Stars*  
**Mrs. Lehman's Class: 19 Stars**  
*Mrs. Thornton's Class: 13 Stars*

**First Grade:**

*Mrs. Donald's Class: 12 Stars*  
**Mrs. Hull's Class: 23 Stars**  
*Mrs. Jones's Class: 12 Stars*  
*Miss Stoller's Class: 20 Stars*  
*Mrs. Tokmak's Class: 12 Stars*

**Second Grade:**

*Mrs. Kalo's Class: 20 Stars*  
*Mrs. Coronado's Class: 14 Stars*  
*Mrs. Dunifon's Class: 26 Stars*  
**Mrs. Muntz's Class: 29 Stars**  
*Mrs. Yawberg's Class: 20 Stars*

**Third Grade:**

*Mrs. Dressel's Class: 18 Stars*  
*Mrs. Hillary's Class: 20 Stars*  
**Miss Pontsler's Class: 25 Stars**  
*Mrs. Snyder's Class: 24 Stars*  
*Mrs. Wisniewski's Class: 23 Stars*

**Fourth Grade:**

*Mrs. Manos's Class: 18 Stars*  
*Mrs. McMurtrie's Class: 20 Stars*  
*Mr. Pransky's Class: 17 Stars*  
**Mrs. Schmidt's Class: 28 Stars**  
*Mrs. Vanderstelt's Class: 10 Stars*

# Whitehouse Primary Powerhouse Summer Skills Program 2009

We want to help our Powerhouse learners keep up on their skills over the summer break. This year we are encouraging all of our students to practice their reading and math skills to be ready to go when school begins on August 20.

This summer we will be offering an **optional** program for all of our students.

**Any child who reaches one of the two goals set for their level will receive a certificate from both Village Pizza and from Handel's Ice Cream. Any child who achieves both goals at their level will receive the certificates from Village Pizza and Handel's, will be eligible for a drawing for free books and will be able to participate in a school-wide reward movie to occur the first few weeks of school.**

TO EARN THESE SPECIAL REWARDS students need to accomplish certain tasks over the summer or show a certain skill level upon their return to school...

## **2009-2010 Kindergarteners should be able to:**

GOAL 1. Key in their lunch numbers independently.  
GOAL 2. Write their entire first name and identify any 10 letters.

## **2009-2010 First Graders should be able to:**

GOAL 1. Count to one hundred (without skipping any numbers)

Recognize all numbers up to 20. (Be able to name them in random order)

GOAL 2. Identify all upper and lower case letters.

Be able to read at least 85% of the sight words from the assigned list.

## **2009-2010 Second Graders should be able to:**

GOAL 1. Complete a 30 fact addition and subtraction timed test with sums to 12 with 93% accuracy in five minutes.

GOAL 2. Earn at least 5 AR points between June 8 and August 21, 2009.

## **2009-2010 Third Graders should be able to:**

GOAL 1. Complete 50 fact addition and subtraction timed test with 92% accuracy in five minutes.

GOAL 2. Earn at least 10 AR points between June 8 and August 21, 2009.

## **2009-2010 Fourth Graders should be able to:**

GOAL 1. Complete 100 fact addition, subtraction, and multiplication timed tests with 95% accuracy in five minutes.

GOAL 2. Earn at least 16 AR points between June 8 and August 21, 2009.

**Parents, if your child can already accomplish these goals, challenge him/her by working toward some of our goals for the next grade level!!**

## **You will be able to earn AR points this summer by doing the following:**

1. Find some good books. (Sorry, the school library will be closed)
2. Get on line at: <https://Hosted174.renlearn.com/103310/HomeConnect/Login.aspx> and see that they are AR books.
3. Read the book.
4. Come to school at any of the times listed below:

From Monday, June 8 to Thursday, August 13

**Monday 7:00 – 8:00 PM  
Wednesday 10:00 – 11:00 AM  
Thursday 7:00 – 8:00 PM**

**There will be signs on the front doors letting you know what doors are open and which computer labs are available due to summer cleaning in the building. PLEASE CHECK THE FRONT DOOR EACH TIME. Entrances to the building that are open will change throughout the summer.**

5. Take and pass your AR quizzes!! Parents must come in with children while they quiz. AR quizzes typically take children only 2-5 minutes per quiz to complete.

6. To save paper and printer ink we will not be printing AR quiz results. To view your child's results you can get online at <https://Hosted174.renlearn.com/103310/HomeConnect/Login.aspx> \*\*\*Parents, at this site you can sign up to receive e-mail notices every time your child takes a quiz. IF YOU HAVE ANY TROUBLE, ask a Whitehouse Staff member during the summer lab hours listed above.

**CAN'T MAKE IT TO THE LAB THIS SUMMER!! THAT IS OK!! KEEP READING!! ALL WHITEHOUSE TEACHERS WILL ALLOW STUDENTS TO TAKE AR TESTS THE FIRST TWO DAYS OF SCHOOL AND COUNT THOSE POINTS FOR THEIR SUMMER TOTALS!! (AR point totals will be collected at the end of the day on August 21.)**

09-10 Kindergarten and First Grade Students: Are you ready to read? Would you like to try AR this summer? Stop in the lab and at one of the scheduled times. Mrs. Johnston will be happy to set you up with an account.

Copies of all forms for this program will be available by going to the Whitehouse Primary web page. They will also be available in the school kiosk the last week of school. You can also

pick up any needed papers by coming to the lab times during assigned hours above.

**Available forms include:**

- This Document
- The First Grade Sight Word List
- Sample Math Fact Tests For Each Grade Level Grades 2-4
- Links to several sites where students can practice math facts

\*\*Children will be assessed on these skills during the first few weeks of school. Rewards will be issued for all students before September 18.

\*\*Consider signing your child up for the Lucas County Library Summer Program, and the Whitehouse Community Library Reading Program as well. You can earn incentives for all programs at the same time.

**Girl Scout Thank You:**

Thank You to Whitehouse's Fourth Grade Girl Scout Troop. They recently spent some time sprucing up the flower bed at the north end of the building. Their hard work is greatly appreciated.

**Want a fun way to work with your child on Spelling?...** Visit

[www.spellingcity.com](http://www.spellingcity.com) for fun ideas that you and your child can enjoy together while improving his/her spelling.

**Lost and Found:**

There are many items that have been lost throughout the year by our students. All of these items will be out in the main hallway on display through the remainder of the year. Please take a moment to stop in if your child has lost something. After June 5 all items not claimed will be donated to a local charity.

**Kiosk in Lobby:**

The following items are currently available in the kiosk located in the main lobby of the school. Feel free to come in to school to pick up information from the kiosk at any time.

- 2008/09 School Calendar
- 2009/10 School Calendar
- School Lunch Menu
- A LA Carte Menu
- Golden Eagle
- Whitehouse Parents Club Info
- K-4 Content Standards
- Cub Scouts
- Daisy Scouts
- Private Tutor List
- GoodSearch.com
- Huntington Learning Center
- Sylvan Learning Center
- AWAKE
- Preschool Info
- Student Parent Handbook
- Kindergarten Registration Info
- Foreign Language Summer Camps
- April/May Power House
- AW Girls Junior Generals Basketball Camp
- Tutor Doctor
- Animal Tails Camp
- Karate Camp
- Summertime Safety
- AW Area Youth Sports
- AW Newsletter
- Sensational Kids/ Daycare and Learning Center
- Challenger Summer Camp
- Creative Skills Camp
- YMCA/JCC Splash
- Waterville Area Vacation Bible Sch.

Any items that you may want to have in the kiosk must be brought to the office for approval and so a tag can be made to identify the item. By bringing an item to the office we are also able to add the item to this list and advertise its arrival in the next edition of the Golden Eagle.

### **Anthony Wayne 09/10 Kindergarten Registration Is Underway!**

**Who is eligible?** Anthony Wayne School District children who will be five years old on or before September 30, 2009.

### **How do I register my child?**

Contact the Anthony Wayne Central Administrative Office at 419-877-5377 between 7:30 am – 4:30 pm weekdays to schedule a Kindergarten Registration Appointment. Kindergarten Registration is by appointment only. Anthony Wayne Schools will not accept faxed registration forms.

**Is there a deadline to register my child?** Students must be registered prior to the start of school. Anthony Wayne Schools asks that Kindergarten students be registered by March 30, 2009 if at all possible.

**Where can I get the registration forms?** Kindergarten Registration packets are available at the Anthony Wayne Central Administrative Office (9565 Bucher Road, Whitehouse), in each primary school office, or online at [www.anthonywayneschools.org](http://www.anthonywayneschools.org).

Click on “Kindergarten Registration” on the website’s main page. Registration packets are not available by mail.

### **When is Kindergarten Screening?**

Kindergarten Screening will take place in the late Spring/early Summer. A Kindergarten Screening packet will be sent to registered Kindergartners after April 30, 2009.

### **What if I have questions?**

Contact the Anthony Wayne Central Administrative Office at 419-877-5377 between 7:30 am – 4:30 pm weekdays with any questions about 2009-2010 Kindergarten Registration.

### **Facilities Use:**

Please keep in mind that permission must be obtained through the school district for use of any school facility. **This includes using the fields behind the school for sport practices after school or on the weekends.**

Forms to use the facilities are available in the office. Building facilities are not open to those groups using the fields in the evening.

### **Grade Cards:**

Each school year teachers rush to complete their grade cards and get them ready to send home with students. For the first time, last year, we mailed final grade cards home. This allowed teachers a bit of additional time at the end of the year to complete their grading and

get all grade card materials organized.

Last year we asked for parents to assist with postage to mail home grade cards. This led to a bit of a complicated process. While we will again mail grade cards home, we will not be asking parents to help with postage. All grade cards will be mailed on Friday, June 5.

### **Coming Events:**

#### **May**

- 29 Kindergarten White Day
- 29 June Golden Eagle Posted
- 29 WK, 1, 2, Field Day

#### **June:**

- 1 Title I Parent Conferences
- 1 WHBC Pizza Party 3:30
- 1 4th Grade Band Meet 3:00 cafeteria
- 2 Officer Phil
- 2 Title I Parent Conferences
- 3 Title I Parent Conferences
- 3 Last Student Day
- 3 Talent Show 9:00 am
- 4 Teacher Work Day
- 5 Final Grade Card Sent Home
- 11 K Screening - Whitehouse
- 12 K Screening - Whitehouse
- 19 School Office Closed
- 30 Board of Education Mtg. @ 1:00 PM

#### **August:**

- 5 Back to School  
Packets Mailed
- 7 Class Lists Posted  
4:00 pm
- 10 School Office Open  
to the Public
- 11 Registration Day
- 18 Open House 5:45 -  
7:15 pm
- 20 First Student Day

**Summer Projects:**

If you are interested in a summer project to assist school please let us know in the office. Beginning June 9 we will be getting geared up for the start of the 09-10 school year. Help at school or projects to take home are both available and appreciated.

**Pets to School:**

With the warmer weather some parents have been bringing their pets to school when they come to pick up children. This practice is strongly discouraged. We do not want any animals to become frightened with the release of 500 students and bite a child. THANK YOU!

**Whitehouse Library Summer Reading Program:**

Dive into a Good Book This Summer!! Registration for the Whitehouse Community Library Summer Reading Program begins May 5, 2009 for all children preschool through 6th grade. Feel free to register any time the Library is open. Library summer hours are:

Tuesdays: 12:00 - 8:00 PM

Thursdays: 12:00 - 8:00 PM  
Saturdays: 12:00 - 2:00 PM

Win Prizes, Do Crafts,  
Make Friends, and Read  
Read Read!!

**Flip Flops:**

Please remember that flip flops are not permitted at school. They are a safety risk for students going up and down the steps on our slick terrazzo floors. They are also unsafe on the playground and during Physical Education Class.

**Art Show Thank You:**

A special thank you to the many people involved with the district art show this year. The art show is a huge undertaking that required the help of many people to bring it all together. Thank you to the many parents and students and staff who helped with preparing artwork to hang at the show, setting up and tearing down the show, and the many other responsibilities that are too numerous to list. Looking forward to another great art show next year!

Ms. Nagy

**THANK YOU!!!!**

The Whitehouse Parents Club Playground Committee would like to thank EVERYONE that helped us get through Phase II of the Playground Installation! We hope you all have a chance to come and see the secondary pieces, installed on May 15. A very special thank you goes to the following

volunteers that helped during the installation: Matt Dick, Dan Holman, Connie Keefer, Tony Keefer, Jill Rupp, Tom Rupp, Chris Schadewald, Jeff Yoder and Lori Yoder.

There will be another installation in August of two see-saws. This installation will complete Phase II. AS ALWAYS, thank you to every student, parent, teacher and community member that helped make Phase II of the playground project a success! We would also like to thank Modern Woodmen for the grant for two shade trees. The trees were planted on Earth Day, one planted by each bench on the playground.

**Appreciation Week Thank You:**

A special Thank You from all of the Whitehouse staff to everyone in the Whitehouse Learning Community who sent in items to thank our staff on Staff Appreciation Week.

**Lost and Found:** Whitehouse parents and students this is your last chance. We have MANY MANY MANY lost items that have accumulated throughout the year. They will be on display in the main hallway the remainder of the year. Please take a look and see if one or more of these items belong to your family. Items not claimed by the end of the day June 5 will be donated to a local charity.

**HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!**