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NUGGETS OF NEWS:

>> Interested in what our PTA funds for our kids? Come to the PTA Meeting this Thursday at 1:30 p.m. to learn more about technology (babysitting is included). In the meantime, check out http://www.whittierschoolpta.org/index.php?pageID=4439_2 for tidbits on why technology matters. Dr. Marybeth Webeler, Assistant Superintendent, will also be at the meeting to talk about the new report cards. Go to http://www.whittierschoolpta.org/index.php?pageID=4410_2 for the meeting agenda and http://www.dg58.org/pdf_files/rc%20/pta_presentation.pdf for more info about report cards.

>> The Math and Science Committee hosted our WeatherBug Kick-Off last Friday during Kids Council, and reps from our sponsors and the Village of Downers Grove came. Village Councilman Sean Durkin will be presenting the plaque at the Village Council meeting tonight, so watch the broadcast on channel 6 to see Whittier's gift of the WeatherBug to the Village of Downers Grove. Watch soon for an after school activity to explore our WeatherBug!

>> This Friday is International Walk to School day. Brave the elements (if necessary) and lace up your shoes. (NOTE: Every day can be a walk to school day too!)

>> Green Team meets after school this Friday: Grades 4-6 will hike to a nearby watershed as part of the World Water Monitoring Day. As water scientists, students will perform basic field experiments to monitor the health of our water systems. Last year, Whittier students joined over 5,000 others in reporting from around the world. Chaperones are needed. Waiver must be completed; see http://www.whittierschoolpta.org/index.php?pageID=4426_2. Grades K-3 will meet in the gym for spooky Halloween recycling fun. Please bring a paper towel tube and Halloween colored construction paper from home. Questions? Contact Kelly Johnson (bjohnson290@comcast.net) or Cindy Ayers-Cannon (Cindy@MyDupageRealtor.com).

>> Interested in joining the District 58 School Board of Education? The deadline is this Friday, October 9. Go to http://www.whittierschoolpta.org/userFiles/358/school_board_application_info.pdf or contact Pamela Osika, School Board Secretary, at 630.719.5803. NOTE: The Board of Education Meeting next week will meet at Indian Trail School at 7 p.m.

>> Whittier's second grade Girl Scout Brownie Troop 311 has created a beautiful scarecrow which will be on display at the Morton Arboretum through the month of October. Bring your family to the Arboretum to see the beautiful fall colors and to check out the scarecrow display around Meadow

Lake. Visitors can vote for their favorite scarecrow and prizes will be given to the winning troop. Troop 311 appreciates your support!

REMINDERS:

>> Winter Wear AND Halloween Share continues this week. Pick up items on Thursday, October 8 and Friday, October 9 between 8:15-8:45 a.m. and 2:30-3 p.m. Questions? Contact Cindy Tschosik (tschosik94@comcast.net or 630.322.9001). See http://www.whittierschoolpta.org/index.php?pageID=4451_2 for details.

>> Reflections entries are due October 14. Check out www.ptareflections.org for more info. Questions? Contact Mary Sustar (sustar@comcast.net).

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS?

Whittier Weekly is emailed every Tuesday during the school year. Have something to share? Email PTA co-presidents dngiuliano@comcast.net or jillsbrowning@comcast.net by 5 p.m. Mondays.

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