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\*\*\*\*\* THIS EMAIL IS FROM YOUR WHITTIER SCHOOL PTA \*\*\*\*\*

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NUGGETS OF NEWS:

>> Please join us tonight at 7 p.m. for the PTA Meeting; the spotlight will be on our Math and Science Committee. Weather permitting, afterward we will gather at Emmett's for some holiday cheer! For more info, go to [http://www.whittierschoolpta.org/index.php?pageID=4410\\_2](http://www.whittierschoolpta.org/index.php?pageID=4410_2). We need to vote on the motion on the floor and need 15 people—so please come! Babysitting is available!

>> Great news: Our Principal Linda Welch asked the District 58 Education Foundation to fund \$3,500 for WeatherBug teacher training—and it has been granted! Learn more about the grant at tonight's PTA meeting.

>> The Whittier PTA is leading the community by organizing a candlelight demonstration before the next District 58 Board of Education Meeting next Monday, December 14. The Board of Education has failed once again to secure funding for important safety projects in our district. If you care about the safety of our kids in school, and also want board members to focus on educational issues, **please come to Indian Trail School at 6235 Stonewall and show your support.** We will pass out candles at 6 p.m. for the 6:30 p.m. demonstration. Questions? Contact Jill Browning ([jillsbrowning@comcast.net](mailto:jillsbrowning@comcast.net)) or Donna Giuliano ([dngiuliano@comcast.net](mailto:dngiuliano@comcast.net)).

>> What's up in the LRC?

- Radishes have sprouted in our greenhouse.
- Our Thanksgiving reading turkey was covered in colorful feathers - the feathers added up to over 13,000 minutes of reading!
- Several classes explored [www.worldbookonline.com](http://www.worldbookonline.com) this week in the lab. This online encyclopedia has accurate, grade-appropriate information including videos and sound. It's a great resource for global studies and other at home projects. This resource is available to all District 58 students at home by using the Login: wbook58 and the password: student.

Questions? Contact Mary Sustar ([sustar@comcast.net](mailto:sustar@comcast.net)).

>> The Holiday Hop will be after school next Tuesday, December 15 until 3:30 p.m. Watch for more info in your child's folder.

>> Flyer Friday is moving to Wednesday! Effective next Wednesday December 16, flyer folders will come home on Wednesdays instead of Fridays. Flyers from committee chairs should be copied and in the office by end of day Tuesdays (no need to group by class size). Want to help stuff the Wednesday folders? Contact Donna Giuliano ([dngiuliano@comcast.net](mailto:dngiuliano@comcast.net)). Your help is appreciated.

>> Get your gear on. A reminder that kids need to be wearing BOTH snow pants and boots to play in the snow during recess. Otherwise, kids must stay on the blacktop only.

## REMINDERS:

>> Mittens and More! Would you like to help some of our Whittier families this holiday season? Simply locate the decorated mittens on the window by the school office for gift ideas (lift mittens to view ideas written on the backsides). Select a mitten. Make the purchase and attach a gift receipt when possible. Return the item to the school office by Wednesday, December 16, along with the decorated mitten. Collected items will be delivered by Whittier Elves on December 17 and 18. Thank you! Questions? Contact Cheryl Prescott [cpres@comcast.net](mailto:cpres@comcast.net) or Cindy Tschosik [Tschosik94@comcast.net](mailto:Tschosik94@comcast.net).

>> Ho ho ho—mark your calendar for the month:

- Friday, December 11 – Green Team for grades K through 4 after school until 3:30 p.m. Parent helpers are needed and most welcome!
- Friday, December 11 from 2:40 to 3:45 p.m. - WRECK for grades 5 and 6
- Tuesday, December 15 from 2:40 to 3:30 p.m. – Holiday Hop for all grades
- December 17 at 10:30 a.m. – The Whittier Holiday Sing – All are welcome!

>> Do you ever use wrapping paper, toilet paper or paper towels? If so, you've got empty tubes! The Math & Science Committee needs hundreds of them for the Olympics event coming in February. Please send them to school on Fridays!

## QUESTIONS, COMMENTS?

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

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