

# Wallace Warrior Tuesday Letter

Wallace Grade School  
District 195

January 12, 2016

Congratulation Wallace families! With your support, Wallace Grade School was the top scoring school in LaSalle County on the 2015 PARCC test. We are very proud of the work of our staff, students, and families. Thank you for your continued support!

*"The Wallace school family learns and grows together!"*

### **Congratulations to the Lego-Robotics Teams ! <http://www.ilfirst.org/FLL>**

On Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, the Lego/Robotics Team competed in Oswego.

The 8th grade team won first place on their recycling project and the 7th grade team finished with an overall score in all 4 competitions that placed them in the top 4 of 16 teams and qualified for the STATE competition in Champaign on Saturday, January 16.

7th grade team members: Emma Pillion, Caden Ericzon, Lily Miller, Zach Vogel, Asher Bhurgri, Krish Patel

8th grade team members: Keegan Nagle, John Vandervort, TJ McDonnell, Leah Klatt, Alicia Graham

**Good Luck at State!**

### **MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE:**



We are in the middle of "Flu" season (stomach & respiratory) so we need to be aware that we are taking the right precautions. Here are a few ways to prevent you or family members from getting sick:

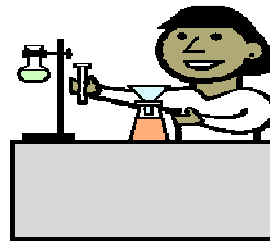
**Handwashing** is the single most important way to prevent the spread of infection.

Hands should be washed before you eat, after you go to the restroom, after you cough or sneeze, and it is also a good idea to wash your hands when you come home from work or school.

**Stay home from work or school** if you have a fever over 100.5 (without the use of a fever reducer), if you have a contagious disease such as strep throat, vomiting, or diarrhea, or if you are feeling not well overall.

### **We will be holding our annual Science Fair on Thursday, February 25th. Students should be working on science fair projects. All 8th grade students will be participating. Science Boards are \$2. Science Fair Tips:**

Don't do the research for your child. Let your child find the project that he/she wants to complete. Do make certain that your child allows enough time from start to finish. Some projects take much longer. Do make sure that your child follows the 'scientific method'. This will include such topics as research, problem, hypothesis, experiment, and conclusion.



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **Tuesday, January 12**

Report Cards Issued  
PARCC Scores go home  
P/T conference forms go home

#### **Wednesday, January 13**

Parents' Club Meeting 6:00

#### **Friday, January 15**

P/T conf. forms due back  
Spelling Bee—9am  
11:30 Dismissal

#### **Monday, January 18**

No School

#### **Wednesday, January 20**

WAC meeting 5:30

#### **Friday, January 22**

VB, Student Council, 8th grade class, Band/Chorus, Academic Team, Lego Robotics team pictures.

#### **Wednesday, January 27**

Board Meeting 7:00

#### **Thursday, January 28**

11:30 Dismissal  
P/T conferences 12:00-3:30

#### **Friday, January 29**

NO SCHOOL  
Teacher's Institute

#### **Friday, February 5**

Geography Bee 2:30

### **2016-2017 Wallace Preschool Registration:**

Registration for current preschool families will begin on Feb. 1st.

On Feb. 16th, registration will be open to all families.

Wallace Preschool Open House for newly registered and prospective students and their families will be Thursday, February 4th from 5:30—7:00 pm.

Please contact the school at 815-433-2986 to register your child.

### **School Cancellations:**

We will also be utilizing our AlertNow phone notification system.

Our service will call phone numbers that we have listed for you. It is important that you contact the office for any changes in phone contacts.

### IMPORTANT JANUARY DATES:

15th 11:30 Dismissal—Teacher’s Institute  
Spelling Bee 9:00  
Parent-Teacher Conference forms DUE

18th No School—Martin Luther King Jr. Day

22nd Pictures for: VB teams, Student Council,  
8th grade class, Band/Chorus, Academic  
Team, Lego-Robotics team

28th 11:30 Dismissal  
Parent-Teacher Conferences 12:00—3:30

29th NO SCHOOL—Teacher’s Institute

Information on the web at  
[www.wallacegs.org](http://www.wallacegs.org)

### PARENT’S CLUB:

Parents club would like to thank everyone who participated in buying and selling raffle tickets for our Christmas cash raffle. We would love to hear any feedback about this. Join us at our next meeting Wednesday, January 13 at 6:00.



Once again Wallace Grade School is participating in Math-a-Thon, a program for students in grades K–8 that benefits St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. This cancer research center treats the world’s sickest children battling cancer and other deadly diseases, regardless of whether their parents are able to pay for their medical care. Most of the daily operating cost of the facility is covered by public contributions.

Math-a-Thon was designed to supplement the math curriculum while teaching our children the importance of helping others. This week students will watch a St. Jude/Math-a-Thon video and bring home Math-a-Thon information. Students who choose to participate should return their permission slips by Friday, January 22. They will then ask family and friends for Math-a-Thon pledges. Participants will receive Funbooks approximately 2 weeks after the permission slips are received. Upon completion of the Funbook activities, students collect donations from their sponsors and return them to school. Donations can also be made online on our “Wallace Community Consolidated” Grade School Math-a-Thon site at [mathathon.org](http://mathathon.org). For more information contact Mrs. Maney or Mrs. Underhill, our Kindergarten teachers.

### Wallace Warrior Extra-Curricular Info:

#### • **BOYS’ BASKETBALL**

##### Upcoming 7th/8th games:

1/12/16—4:30—@Plano (3:30)  
1/14/16—5:00—Flanagan (H)  
1/16/16—tba—Conference Shootout @Marseilles  
1/21/16—5:00—Grand Ridge (H) 8th grade night  
[www.iesa.org](http://www.iesa.org)—lists Regional, Sectional, and State information

#### • **GIRLS’ VOLLEYBALL**

##### Upcoming 5th/6th games:

~~1/12/16—5:00—Marquette Academy (H)~~ cancelled  
1/14/16—4:30—@Peru Parkside (3:30)  
1/20/16—5:00—@Waltham (4:00)  
1/25/16—5:00—@Milton Pope (4:00 drop off only)  
1/26/16—5:00—@Trinity Catholic (4:00)  
1/28/16—5:00—@Marseilles (4:00 drop off only) **[6th/7th/8th]**

##### Upcoming 7th/8th games:

1/19/16—5:00—Milton Pope (H)  
1/25/16—4:30—Peru Parkside (H)  
1/26/16—5:00—Marquette (H)  
1/27/16—5:00—@Tonica (4:00)  
1/28/16—5:00—@Marseilles (4:00 drop off only) **[6th/7th/8th]**

#### • **ACADEMIC TEAM**

1/16/16—9:00 am—Wallace Workshop/Scramble (H)  
1/26/16—4:00—Flanagan (H)  
2/1/16—4:00—@Peru Catholic