



## Naquag Elementary School

*The Wachusett Regional School District*

**Fabulous February Greetings**  
**From: Dixie Herbst, Principal**  
**February 2012**

### **2012 – 2013 Kindergarten Registration Now Open**

Registration information for the Kindergarten class of 2012-2013 is available online on the District's website [www.wrsd.net](http://www.wrsd.net). **All kindergarten registration papers should be brought to Deb Tourtellotte at Naquag's front office. (BOTH FULL DAY AND ½ DAY)** The full day lottery application should be submitted online. March 2<sup>nd</sup> is the deadline for the full day applications; the full day lottery will be held on March 9<sup>th</sup> with the first installment due on March 30<sup>th</sup>. We kindly ask you to pass this information to anyone you may know in our School District with a child who will be 5 years old by August 31, 2012

### **Early Dismissal on February 15<sup>th</sup> - 12:30**

The February early-release day is Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. Early dismissal will be 12:30. All students (including our AM kindergarten students) will be released at 12:30. Lunch will not be served. PM kindergarten will not be in session. **CONTACT YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER IF YOUR DISMISSAL ARRANGEMENTS ON THIS EARLY RELEASE DAY DIFFER FROM YOUR REGULAR DISMISSAL PLAN.**

### **February School Spirit Days**

Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> – The American Heart Association's "Go Red for Women", to raise awareness of heart disease for women. **WEAR RED!**

Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> – Happy Valentine's Day! **WEAR RED!**

Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup> – **SILLY SOCKS or MIXED COLORS SOCK Day!!**

### **Available Website Link to District Budget**

The Wachusett Regional School budget website can now be easily found on the Naquag homepage. The budget website contains information relevant to the District's five towns throughout the budget process. WRSD Budget Website link is at the bottom of the Naquag web page at [www.wrsd.net/naquag](http://www.wrsd.net/naquag). At the bottom of the welcome page you will find the link that reads WRSD Budget Website.

### **Free and Reduced Lunch Applications Available:**

The Wachusett Regional School District cafeteria offers healthy meals every school day. The cost for lunch at District elementary schools is \$2.75. Your child / children may qualify for free or for reduced price meals if your household income is within the Federal Income Guidelines shown on the Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application. You may apply at any time during the school year if your household size goes up, income goes down, or if you start receiving SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program – formerly the Food Stamp Program) or TANF. The application is available in our school office or on the District's website ( [www.wrsd.net](http://www.wrsd.net) - Food Services Information). All information is confidential.

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## **Cafeteria “Nutri-Kids” Computerized Payment System**

Naquag Elementary Cafeteria’s computerized “point of sale” payment system, *Nutri-Kids*, is available for all school meal purchases. *Nutri-Kids* is utilized at Naquag Elementary, Glenwood Elementary and Central Tree Middle School. Every student has a personal lunchroom account based on their student ID number. Parents are able to deposit money into their child’s account, although they may still pay cash.

**Additionally, through the *Nutri-Kids* website, parents may check their cafeteria balance, as well as what their child chose to have for lunch.** Monies paid into a student account can only be used for the purchase of regular lunch, milk and alternative lunch. All snack items must be paid for with cash. The *Nutri-Kids* website is accessible through the WRSD website [www.wrsd.net](http://www.wrsd.net) - Food Services link or [www.mynutrikids.com](http://www.mynutrikids.com)). If you have any questions about this service, please feel free to contact our school office or Nancy Hasselmann, Manager of Food Services WRSD @ 508-829-1670, x278.

## **Naquag Owl “Wiser” - Share a Vacation or Special Outing**

“Wiser”, Naquag’s owl mascot (in stuffed animal form), is available to join your child on vacations or special events! Parents / guardians may “sign out” a Naquag “Wiser” small stuffed animal to accompany your family on these occasions. We welcome pictures of “Wiser” and Naquag students to post on our Naquag bulletin board. Let’s see how many places our Naquag “Wiser” can visit this year.

## **Important February Dates to Remember**

Friday	2/3	NATIONAL WEAR RED DAY (American Heart Association)
Friday	2/10	Report Cards go Home (Rescheduled - was 2/3)
Tuesday	2/14	Valentine’s Day – Wear Red
Wednesday	2/15	Early Release Day @ 12:30 (Professional Development)
Friday	2/17	“Fabulous Friday” Wear Silly Socks (or mixed socks / colors)
February Vacation:		Week of 2/20 - 2/24 (School not in session)
Monday	2/27	FULL Day of School - Welcome Back after February Vacation!
Tuesday	2/28	Principals' Chat @ 10:00 & 6:00
Wednesday	2/29	SIMCO @ 4:00

**NOTICE: Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup> is a District-wide Professional Development Day. School will not be in session**

## **PTO Dates**

Tuesday	2/7	PTO “The Mill 185 Restaurant Night” West Boylston
Wednesday	2/8	PTO Meeting @ 4:30
Thursday	2/9	PTO “Ladd’s Night” (additional information to follow)