

Principally Speaking

We're All in This Together

This month's Principally Speaking comes to us from Warwick's Assistant Principal, Mrs. Costantini. Mrs. C, as she is known, has been a super addition to the Warwick Community, and we are thankful for her words of wisdom written below. Enjoy!

The Years Are Short...

Hi Warwick Community,

Well, somehow it became December yet again. The air has become a little crisper, and the nights have begun to get dark sooner (awful, I know!). The hustle and bustle of the holiday season is upon us as well. Although it is a busy time of year, the slowness of family time is also upon us.



On a personal note, I have two littles at home. My daughter is five years old, and my son is 20 months. I know you all can relate to the craziness of home life. Getting home, somehow getting a healthy dinner cooked and, on the table, talk about the day, share your highs and lows, homework or something accomplished, bath, and suddenly off to bed. The nightly cycle. The countdown to bathtime some nights. Then, that saying that we all know rings in my head, "The days are long but the years are short". Suddenly, I delay bathtime; I delay going to bed; and we all cuddle on the floor of the living room and play with my son's trucks and laugh and giggle. We savor the moment. And in that moment, its where I realize I am in the moment I dreamed of for years. Grateful for what is occurring.

We live in a time where everything is fast paced, and we have so much to accomplish. The list is never ending. The to-do's keep growing. With that, our children keep growing too. Our moments are fleeting. Take that moment. Delay bathtime. Allow the ice cream night. Those are the moments our kids remember. Those are the moments where we feel full, and our kids feel grateful for us. We focus so much on gratitude and the external factor how we want kids to feel grateful for what they

have. What if we turn the thought...that we are grateful for them, and they are grateful for us, and with that we just get to enjoy our small moments together?

My husband reminded me recently that we only get our kids in our home under our roof for such a brief time. He is right. Phone away, list gone, focus on our core. Our home. The place for which we are grateful.

Enjoy each moment.

Sincerely,

Jenn Costantini

Our Tradition of the 12 Days of December begins soon. Check the calendar below.

12 Days of December

1 Thurs. 12/5	Holiday Hat Day Wear your favorite holiday hat or headband!	7 Fri. 12/13	Fancy Friday Sparkle by wearing anything glittery, sparkly, shiny, or BRIGHT!
2 Fri. 12/6	Flannel Friday Wear your favorite flannel or plaid shirt!	8 Mon. 12/16	Grinch Day Wear green BUT act the opposite of the Grinch! No one likes a grump! Be KIND!
3 Mon. 12/9	Jingle Bells Day Wear a bell necklace, bracelet, or other bell accessory as we ring in the holidays!	9 Tues. 12/17	Winter Holiday Spirit Day Wear colors, accessories, or anything that reminds you of a winter holiday you celebrate!
4 Tues. 12/10	Candy Cane Day Dress in stripes or wear red and white!	10 Wed. 12/18	Winter White Wednesday Dress in your favorite white shirt or other white clothing to look as white as a snow day!
5 Wed. 12/11	Holiday Sock or Slippers Day Wear holiday socks or sport your slippers!	11 Thurs. 12/19	Holiday Sweater Day Show your holiday spirit by donning your favorite holiday sweater!
6 Thurs. 12/12	Holiday Vacation Day Get ready for your winter vacation by wearing a hawaiian shirt, hula skirt, sunglasses, etc.!	12 Fri. 12/20	Pajama Day Get ready for a long winter's nap by wearing your coziest (school appropriate) pajamas!



Mr. Finger
Principal

