



GREETINGS TO ALL OUR WA HE LUT STUDENTS AND FAMILIES,

THE NEW YEAR IS UPON US, IT'S 2021 AND I AM SO HOPEFUL THAT THIS YEAR WILL BRING JOY AND NORMALCY TO ALL OUR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS OF WA HE LUT INDIAN SCHOOL. I RAISE MY HANDS UP TO YOU IN HONOR OF YOUR STRENGTH, BRAVERY AND NATIVE POWER ALL THROUGH THIS PANDEMIC.

IT IS IN MY HEART TO HOPE THAT ALL OF YOU AND YOUR FAMILY HAS HAD A RESTFUL, SAFE AND WONDEFUL CHRISTMAS / HOLIDAY BREAK. MOST CERTAINLY, IT WAS VERY DIFFERENT AND MORE STRESSFUL THAN THE HOLIDAY SEASON WE ARE ALL ACCUSTOMED TO. YOUR POWER AND ENDURANCE REASURES ME THAT WE CAN ALL OVERCOME THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC STRONGER, MORE KNOWLEDGEABLE AND UNITED THAN BEFORE THE PANDEMIC.

IT IS MY THOUGHT THAT THE PANDEMIC ERA WILL SOON BE COMING TO A CLOSE WITH THE ARRIVAL OF THE COVID-19 VACCINES. I ENCOURAGE ALL OF YOU TO CHOOSE WHAT IS BEST FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY IN REGARDS TO THE COVID-19 VACCINES.

WE ARE ANTICIPATING THAT WE MAY SOON BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO BEGIN IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR YOUR CHILDREN WITH NEW GUIDANCE THAT WAS RECEIVED IN DECEMBER. HOWEVER, OUR OPENING TO IN-PERSON LEARNING MUST BE GRADUAL, SAFE, AND ON AN ALTERNATE SCHEDULE BEGINNING WITH THE LOWEST GRADES FIRST. ADDITIONALLY, ANY MOVE TOWARDS IN-PERSON LEARNING AT SCHOOL MAY BE PLACED ON A HOLD, PAUSE, OR STOP BASED UPON UPDATED INFECTION RATE DATA, GUIDANCE FROM L&I, DOH, OSPI OR THE GOVENORS OFFICE. PLEASE LOOK OUT FOR TEXT MESSAGES, HARD COPY BULLETINS, EMAILS OR PHONE CALLS FOR MORE INFORMATION AND SCHEDULING FOR HYBRD / ALTERNATE IN-PERSON LEARNING. WE MISS ALL OF YOU AND THE CHILDREN VERY MUCH AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO SERVING YOU WITH IN-PERSON LEARNING SOON.

I AGAIN SEND YOU MY HEARTFELT THANKFULNESS AND MY SINCERE DESIRE TO BE YOUR ADVOCATE FOR YOUR CHILDREN AS YOU MEET THE CHALLENGES OF THE PANDEMIC.

AS A FINAL NOTE, PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD ATTENDS SCHOOL DAILY BY LOGGING IN ON THEIR CHROMEBOOKS, COMPLETING THEIR ASSIGNMENTS AND PARTICIPATING IN THEIR LIVE CLASSROOM SESSIONS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND SUPPORT,

HARVEY WHITFORD, PRINCIPAL/SUPERINTENDENT

PBIS Value of the Month- PRIDE

Congratulations to the following students chosen by their teachers as Students of the month for December! Way to show Pride in online learning!

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| K- Zola Youckton | 3rd- Honesty Wolfe | 6th- Jared Whitford-Galler |
| 1st- Lionel Swift | 4th- Angel Kalama | 7th- Amelia Whitford |
| 2nd- Demetrius Yazzie | 5th- Calvin Rodiger | 8th- Jaidan Dillon-Lamere |
| P.E.- Malachai White Mountain | | |

Upcoming Events

January 6, 13, 27

Virtual Circle, 8:30-9:15 AM (Zoom)

January 12

School Community Q & A Sessions with Principal Whitford (Zoom)
9 AM and 6 PM

January 18

No School- Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Specialist Corner

A note from the Counselor, Mrs. Nelko-

Doing online school, missing family and friends, and having to spend more time inside are just some of the things that can make us feel more worried or stressed this year. Here are...

10 Things to Try When you are feeling Overwhelmed:

1. Spend time outside (safely)
2. Squeeze a pillow
3. Take a bath or shower
4. Drum, dance, bounce a ball, or do another exercise you enjoy
5. Draw or color
6. Cuddle your pet or stuffed animal
7. Talk to a trusted adult or friend
8. Drink water
9. Go to bed early
10. Take 5 Deep Belly Breaths

Native Language Update

Supply kits are being sent home this month containing a drawing pad and erasable colored pencils. Please keep your supply set in a safe place to be used for Native Language & Culture Class.

LEVEL UP WA HE LUT

Introducing Level UP! Starting Monday, January 11th, Wa He Lut is beginning a new program to reward students for their efforts in school. Students will earn points each day for coming to live class zooms (and circle/assemblies), doing Google Classroom work, and spending time in i-Ready. Teachers will keep track of each student's point total and we will send home badges and prizes as they move up the levels. How many badges can you earn??



Winter Word Search

D	E	K	M	K	A	A	J	Y	R	A	G
S	N	E	T	T	I	M	S	E	R	I	R
X	G	L	O	V	E	S	I	O	E	Z	O
T	P	Y	O	N	K	O	D	W	T	D	Y
K	H	T	T	W	S	N	H	S	N	L	R
D	D	S	A	Q	Z	P	O	T	I	O	V
D	D	O	O	T	G	E	T	A	W	C	Y
N	M	R	C	L	F	L	C	H	S	Q	S
O	E	F	A	G	H	C	H	O	N	B	N
S	G	Z	H	Z	H	I	O	P	D	J	O
N	L	T	O	S	Z	C	C	P	O	A	W
R	G	E	C	R	N	I	O	O	P	N	L
W	C	J	D	J	F	E	L	L	C	U	I
Z	N	X	Y	C	U	H	A	B	H	A	H
H	I	B	E	R	N	A	T	E	Y	R	P
F	K	B	O	X	I	C	E	G	U	Y	W

WINTER
SNOW
SLED
ICICLE
BLIZZARD
HOT CHOCOLATE

COLD
FROSTY
FROZEN
SLED
JANUARY

ICE
HIBERNATE
COAT
HAT
GLOVES



Wash your Hands Playlist

You may have heard that singing "Happy Birthday" twice while you wash your hands is one way to make sure you wash long enough to get all the germs down the drain (about 20 seconds). Here are some more songs that also have a 20-second chorus! So sing away and you are good to go!

1. Love On Top

Beyonce

2. Born This Way

Lady Gaga

3. So fresh, So Clean

Outkast

4. Happy- From "Despicable Me 2"

Pharrell Williams

5. Thriller

Michael Jackson

6. Shake it Off

Taylor Swift

7. Let it Go (From Frozen)

Idina Menzel

8. Truth Hurts

Lizzo

Joke of the month: How can you scare a snowman?



Answer: Point a Hair Dryer at him