

October 1, 2022

Dear Wareham Middle School Families,

All students received their progress reports yesterday in homeroom. Please make sure to look at these reports and discuss them with your child. Progress reports must be signed and returned to homeroom teachers. We are halfway through term 1!

Your child also received their NWEA scores from this school year. Students at WMS participate in NWEA Map Growth. "MAP Growth is a computer adaptive test created by NWEA that children at WMS take two to three times per school year. The results provide teachers with information to help them deliver appropriate content for each student and determine each student's academic growth over time. MAP Growth measures what students know, regardless of their grade level. It also measures growth over time, allowing you to track your child's progress throughout the school year and across multiple years." For more information on NWEA Map Growth please go to this website <https://www.nwea.org/parent-toolkit/>.

Your child's family report with NWEA MAP Growth for Reading and Math is on the back of this letter. Please keep in mind that this was the first time grade 5 participated in NWEA. NWEA will be given again in January and June. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's academic teacher.

In many communities across the country, ALICE is being implemented. ALICE stands for Alert-Lockdown-Inform-Counter-Evacuate. Following ALICE will help our students and staff feel more confident and better equipped in the event of a real threat at school. Grade 5 students and any new students to WMS will have an assembly about ALICE and lock down procedures this coming week.. They will watch an ALICE video. Administration and Officer Baptiste will answer any questions students have.

**WMS will hold a lock down practice drill sometime in October.**

Picture Day is Wednesday, October 5, 2022 for grades 5-7. Envelopes will be sent home with students. Pictures can be paid for online at [mylifetouch.com](http://mylifetouch.com). Please use the ID: EVTZGJSWN

[PTA sponsored Halloween Dance](#) grades 5 and 6. Please click on the link to view information. If you would like to volunteer to chaperone for the Halloween dance or

donate a baked good or snack, please email me at [tcote@wareham.k12.ma.us](mailto:tcote@wareham.k12.ma.us). You MUST have an active CORI to volunteer at the dance.

WMS will be starting after school clubs on October 4th. Some clubs meet weekly and some meet every other week. All after school activities will be on **Tuesdays** or **Thursdays**. No transportation will be provided. There will be **no staff available** to watch students after 3:00 P.M. so your child will have to be picked up **promptly at 3:00 P.M. at Door #9 in the back of the building. Important: Please refer to the club brochure to determine what date clubs will begin and what days they will meet.** Students were given a club brochure and permission slip at school today to sign up for a club. This permission slip must be signed and returned before any students can attend an after school club. I attached the club brochure to this email for your convenience.

WMS website: [www.warehamps.org](http://www.warehamps.org)  
Facebook: Wareham Middle

PTA Email: [WarehamPTA@gmail.com](mailto:WarehamPTA@gmail.com)  
Facebook: Wareham PTA

#### Up-Coming Events:

10/5/22	Picture Day Grades 5-7
10/7/22	No School Staff Inservice Day
10/10/22	No School Columbus Day
10/11/22	PTA Meeting at WES 6:30
10/28/22	Halloween Dance for grades 5 and 6 6-8 PM

Sincerely,  
Tracie A. Cote  
Principal