From the Superintendent’s Desk
Shauna Bilyeu, Superintendent

Terrier students and families,

June is here! It is a fun and exciting time of year! At the time of this writing, we have three and a half weeks left of school! Please be on the look-out for emails, backpack mail and other communications from the school about all of the activities that will be happening through the end of the school year. The end of the school year is always bittersweet because while it is a super fun time with all of the celebrations, it also means the end of another school year, and our seniors will be leaving us. We will miss the seniors and wish them all the best as they fly off to find their bright futures! WSD graduation ceremony is June 13th at 6:30 pm in Hunter Gym.

My special note to students that will return in August: Summer is a time to have fun, relax and stay active! Play outside and read, read, read (or read outside)! WSD is hosting a summer sports camp this year. It is the week of July 15th. Please see details in this newsletter. You can also contact our department secretaries, David Martin and Mariel Schemp for more information.

The 2018-2019 school year calendar is finalized: the first day of school is August 27th, with cottage registration on Sunday, August 26th. We will have our traditional barbecue and school kickoff family meeting, so make sure you put it on your calendar now! The barbecue and kickoff meeting is open to all families (local and residential students). The barbecue will start at noon, the kickoff at 1:00 pm and then cottage registration from 2-4 pm. I hope to see you there! We will send out reminders as the time gets closer.

2018-2019 promises to be exciting! As you will read in the below articles, both elementary and secondary will roll out new class groupings (for elementary) and new bell schedules. Be on the lookout for more information. As always, feel free to email me with questions or concerns. Have a WONDERFUL summer!

**ILS BBQ & 4th Annual Cookie Contest 2018**

- **1st Place** - Watson East Cottage: Grasshopper Cookie!
- **2nd Place** - Mac East Cottage: Macaron with Cream Frosting!
- **3rd Place** - Deer West Cottage: Twix Cookie!

**Calendar**
- June 1: Special Olympics Soccer (Tacoma)
- June 6: ILS End of Year Party
- June 7: “Giving Back” Community Service Day
- June 7: Superintendent’s Dinner for Seniors
- June 7: Senior Tease
- June 8: WSDAA - Tea Party
- June 12: Senior Trip
- June 13: Graduation
- June 19: End of the year BBQ
- June 20: 8th Grade Celebration
- Last DAY of School!
Elementary Principal
April McArthur, Elementary Principal

The countdown towards the end of the school year has begun. Please continue to encourage and support your child to give their full effort and focus in school. Even though it may seem we are busy with many end-of-year events, we believe that every day counts.

Don’t forget that our website (www.wsd.wa.gov) has a wonderful interactive calendar where you can check out upcoming events. We also have posted the new school calendar for next year. We have begun planning the classes for the 2018-2019 year. At the elementary level, it is important to us that we meet each child’s needs. When considering placement, we take into account each child’s language, cognitive, social and emotional skills and how we can best serve the student. Next year, we will have:

• PreK with Pamela Whitney
• K-2nd with Raye Schafer
• 2nd-4th with Steph Alves DeLima and Taylor Seidel
• 4th-6th with Alfred Malone and Jenn Christianson

We will have our registration day on August 26th, the day before school starts. Please come join us and meet other families! If you know of any family that has a deaf child and may be interested in WSD, please have them contact Mariel Schemp at mariel.schemp@cdhl.wa.gov or 360-418-0414 - VP 360-334-5449. We do give tours during the summer and we love to have families visit our campus to get to know us. I hope you and your family have a wonderful summer. As always, please feel free to contact me anytime.

Secondary Principal
Jason Cox, Secondary Principal

Hello parents,

Wow! It is hard to believe that June is here! Students have been successful and blossomed throughout the 2017-2018 school year. It’s been amazing to watch students grow and become good leaders by participating in Jr. NAD, Deaf Academic Bowl, Math Contest and many other events.

With only a few weeks left of school, we will be having senior graduation and other activities for students who received good grades and were good role models for Washington School for the Deaf. Every student here at WSD deserves a big award for all the hard work they have done during the 2017-2018 school year.

I want to personally thank every parent for allowing your child to attend WSD. You made a big difference in their lives by raising them well and allowing them to come to WSD to become great and successful students!

Keep an eye out for a letter from me with some changes for the 2018-19 academic year. Instead of our current 6-period model, we will begin our 8-period alternating block model. This means students will have four 85-minute classes a day. This model will reduce transition time for students and allow for more elective classes. We are looking forward to this positive change. More details to come soon. If you have any questions regarding school, I will be working at WSD most of the summer. Thank you and have a great summer!
Sports!
Ron Spratlen, Athletic Director

Track season has come to an end and both the high school and middle school teams had great seasons! The middle school team had 7 athletes qualify and attend the All Star Meet.

8th Grade:
- 400 Relay Team: LeAnna Clearbrook, Saray Fortunato, Alondra Lopez-Alcaraz & Juliana Sanchez
- Hurdles: LeAnna Clearbrook
- 1600 and 800: Alondra Lopez-Alcaraz

7th Grade:
- Raymond Singkeo qualified in the 100, 200 and Long Jump

6th Grade:
- Aree Blackmer in the 100 and 200
- Tye Gonzalez-Woodbury 400

High School 1B State Championships at Eastern Washington University in Cheney, WA.
- Sophomore Emma McKinney & junior Ashantay Truong placed 16th and 17th respectively in the 100m dash and Ashantay placed 14th in the 200m dash. Let me remind you: this is out of the ENTIRE STATE of Washington!
- Emma & Ashantay contributed to the girls 4x100m relay team along with senior Annie Kvamme and sophomore Jennifer Tudor with a massive season best time, placing 12th!
- Speaking of 12th place, both boys 4x100m and 4x400m relay teams (juniors Cristian Martinez-White & Osvaldo Cruz and sophomores Juan Ramirez & Ramon Varaja) placed at that ranking as well, breaking their 4x400 season best time by almost 10 seconds!
- Ramon qualified individually for the 200m dash, placing 17th, and Jose qualified for the triple jump, placing 15th. Can’t wait to see what is in the future for them!
- Cristian made history for this current era of track and field at WSD, being the FIRST ever athlete to qualify for finals in not one, but TWO events: the 200m and 400m dashes. He ran personal bests for both prelim races and placed 8th in both events!

Library News!
Ginger Speranza, Librarian

The Elementary students enjoyed a very successful 500 book celebration this year. All the students read 6 books and were able to attend our reward field trip to the zoo. A special shout out to staff for supporting students with this big project and to Chelsey Donahue for organizing it. A good time was had by all!

Library last day
All books need to be returned to the library by June 8th so we can begin inventory. iPads will remain in classrooms and not taken home after this point as well. Please make sure that all books iPads and chargers are returned and all fines paid so we can start next year with a clean slate.

Summer reading
Barnes and Noble is offering a summer reading program for students grades 1-6. Read 8 books and get one free. Your students’ teacher will be sending home a form so keep an eye out for it in backpacks in the next few weeks.

If you are a current volunteer and would like to help out with library cleaning and scanning in books please contact Ginger she can always use the help this time of year.
Summer Sports Camp
July 15-July 21!
Washington School for the Deaf (Stay in the cottages!)
A week-long summer camp for deaf & hard of hearing students in grades 4th-12th from all over Washington State.
• Team Building
• Leadership Skills
• Sports Skills
• Language Development

Grades:
• 4th/5th: general Sports Activities and knowledge
• 6th/7th: learn how to play on teams, get the competitive edge
• 8th-12th: specialized skill sets for football, volleyball, basketball & track!

Cost: Pay by June 25 - $300. Pay after June 25 - $400
Registrations will NOT be accepted after July 2

Contact Mariel Schemp for more information or Registration Packet at 360-418-0414 or mariel.schemp@cdhl.wa.gov

Seniors: Monique Gabriella Cerna, Tess Maclean Griffin
Shania Belgel Jones, Annie Laurie Kramme
Ja' Bil Athan Miller, Taylor James Payne
John Abraham Smart, Danixa Tania Velasco-Ortiz

“Sports Camp” Register Early!

Student of the MONTH!
April 2018
3 R Superstar
Christo Castro
Kevin Diaz
Shania Jones

Momentous Motivation
Jayson Cabanizas
Kyler Eagan
Ethan Jacobs
Cristian Martinez-White
Taylor Payne
Ramon Vajaras

Inspiring Improvement
Kyler Eagan
Tess Griffin
Ramon Vajaras
Super Supportive
Christo Castro
Stupendous Spirit
Monique Cerna
Enrique Jose’
Roxy LaMarche
Tessa Williams

Positively Prepared
Ashantay Truong

Special Category
“Terrier Pride”
Jayson Cabanizas
Abraham Castro
Monique Cerna
Kevin Diaz,
Tess Griffin
Shania Jones
Stanity Jorju
Annie Kramme
Rozanne Lamarche
Cristian Martinez-White
Emma McKinney
Taylor Payne
Caleb Plock
Jessane Rogers
Iran Sanchez Villanueva
Etasha Stone
Kaja Stone
Ashantay Truong
Janet Tuz-Manrique
Danixa Velasco Ortiz
Chyann Wisdom