

# Messages from Mittineague



## News from Rooms 1 and 4:

The last day of school... the closing of one door and the opening of another. We want to thank each child for all the warmth, the memories, and the learning that we have shared this school year. To our students, We say THANK YOU! For when We teach, We also learn. This past year we have grown together. A little bit of each of you will always be with us. Always strive to be the BEST that you can be! You are Readers, Writers and Thinkers! You are our Super Heroes!

Remember that we will always have great interest in your children and their destinies, wherever that they may go, whatever they do and whoever they become they will always have a special place in our hearts.

To the parents, we say THANK YOU for allowing us to be your child's teacher.

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Last Thursday, the WSHS Class of 2019 graduates wore their caps and gowns and walked through the different elementary schools. We were so very lucky to have had several former Mittineague students as well as some Tatham students join us Thursday morning. The current Mittineague students lined the sidewalk, the PTO purchase some balloons, there were signs and cheers and chants as the students walked through. They came into the building and walked into the gym and up onto the stage where they introduced themselves and told us of their future plans. It was a meaningful and memorable event! We hope to do this every year!!

Congratulations to the WSHS Class of 2019!

## News from our Nurse:

**Footwear Safety:** With the warmer weather here... just a reminder that sandals and flip flops can be an unsafe choice for footwear at school. Please encourage your child to wear sneakers or shoes to help reduce the chance of injury.

**Medication Reminder to Parents/Guardians:** If your child has medication at school, please note that all medications must be picked up by **11am on June 17th**. Medications are not able to be stored over the summer and any medications that have not been picked up will be discarded. New medication orders and parental permission are required for every new school year. Forms needed for next school year will be distributed at medication pick up and are also available on the district website at [wsps.org](http://wsps.org).

Enjoy these last few days of school! I wish all of you a happy and safe summer!

## Art News;

Mittineague artists have worked hard all school year to make progress in art! If you didn't get a chance to see their show in the art room yet, please come on Friday June 14th to see their work.

I, (Mrs. Largey) am retiring from teaching this year, and though I'll miss the students and staff at Mittineague terribly, I know that they will be in good hands with their new art teacher, Mrs. Ward. She is a very kind teacher who will do a wonderful job with our students! She made a big splash this Tuesday coming in and talking with our artists in art class! I hope that everyone has a great summer and an inspiring new school year!

### For your Calendar

June 10 Grade 5 vollevball game	June 11 7:30 AM Band Practice	June 11 Banking/Chorus	June 12 Fifth Grade Breakfast	June 13 Starfires Baseball game	June 14 Spring Concert
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### News from Room 6:

We made it! June is here and summer is upon us. This is always a bitter sweet time of year...the excitement of summer and the sadness of leaving one grade to enter another. Nevertheless, our accomplishments need to be acknowledged.

During the past few weeks, we have researched and created a persuasive brochure luring visitors to West Springfield. Most of the students created a Google slide so have them pull it up on a home computer!

We have also participated in an independent study on the American Revolution. Working with a buddy, the students are reading the *Magic Tree House Nonfiction Companion Guide: American Revolution*. This book series is great because the author, Mary Pope Osbourne, takes a large topic, such as the Revolution, and she puts it into terms that third grade students can interpret and understand. We are also learning from the PBS TV series call *Liberty's Kids*. This is another great resource that portrays multiple perspectives during the time of the Revolution. For example, the main character, James, demonstrates Patriotic views, while another character, Sarah shows the side of a Loyalist. During their reading and watching, they are also creating another Google Slide of their learning.

We are also in the final portion of our last class read aloud, *Shiloh*. This story will pull at your heart strings. We've shared many discussions about what's right and wrong with the main character's actions. Although we've had some different opinions, one thing is for sure, we've found a place in our heart for Shiloh. Ask your child to tell you about the story.

It truly has been a great year and I wish all the students a wonderful summer and the best of luck in fourth grade. Thanks for sharing your child with me!,

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Many, many thanks to all of our wonderful volunteers!  
Field Day was awesome! You rock!!



A huge **thank you** to all of you and our wonderfully thoughtful PTO for all the support and “extras” that have been provided for us this year! Field, trips, pizza parties, box top incentives, school store, dances, fifth grade yearbooks and gifts, Teacher Appreciation luncheon, Scholastic magazine subscriptions and, oh, so much more than we can ever mention. Thank you, thank you, thank you!!

## Happy Spring!!



**Word of the Week**  
**integrity**

Understanding and sharing others  
Doing the right thing when no one  
is watching.

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK:**

**“The true sign of intelligence is not  
knowledge, but imagination!”**

**Albert Einstein**



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