May 1, 2014

Dear Parents,

Greetings! I have a few things to share with you.

* Ms. Drake and I will be involved in numerous off site workshops and testing related to the new AIG Plan, SSA, EOGs, etc. Therefore, students can expect AIG classes to be less regular, especially as we get into EOG testing. In case of a need for scheduling changes, students should be prepared for AIG on their regularly scheduled day, and leave their AIG folder at school, so it will be available when I am able to reschedule.
* Students will continue to analyze short stories- “Fairy Tales”- and complete what is called a focused compare and contrast chart which requires higher level thinking through detailed interpretation.
* The students are enthused by the Check Book simulation and we will carry on with renting an apartment, buying a second hand car, figuring out payments and interest, grocery shopping etc.
* There will be a “Show and Tell” event so the fourth grade AIG students can show all of the projects they’ve completed this year. It will be in the cafeteria, towards the end of the day, after the EOGs are complete. I will send out a Sign-Up Genius for snacks once Ms. Leach OKs a date. Your children have a great deal of hard work to be proud of!
* **Ms. Drake has posted all of the information related to Single Subject Acceleration (SSA) on the Green Hope Elementary website at <http://greenhopeaig.weebly.com>.** If you are interested, the information can be found directly at <http://wakeacceleration.weebly.com>. There is a parent informational meeting regarding SSA for our region on May 5th, at 5:30, at Davis Drive ES. You are welcome to attend any other regional meeting if you prefer. Nominations close May 14th at 3:45.
* Your child’s Differentiated Education Plan (DEP) will go home with the end of year report cards. The grades reflect a snap shot of the entire second semester.
* The third quarter AG Resource report cards will be sent home in the small manila envelopes. Please keep the papers and return the signed envelop.
* Thank you to those parents who were able to come in for the Authors’ Tea. The stories are fantastic. The books are on display in the main hall. The teachers say they will allow the students to share their stories with their classes in June. Thank you for the refreshments.
* Students who participate in Chess Club, the last meeting date will be May 14.

As always, thank you for your support. I look forward to seeing you between now and the end of the year. Feel free to call or email me at any time. Lde-alberdi@wcpss.net .