



# The Eagle

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## Safety First at AG!!!

Greetings parents and guardians. During the month of May we have held several safety assemblies for our students as we head toward the summer months.

As part of our ongoing positive partnerships with the Westfield Police and Fire Departments, we have been collaborating to bring safety to the forefront.

On May 2, two Westfield Community Police Officers met with

each of our classes grades K-5 focusing



on bicycle safety, pedestrian safety, emergencies, strangers, seatbelts and some

other basic safety tips.

On May 6 two Westfield Firefighters met with each class grades K-5 regarding fire safety including smoke detectors, what to do in case of a fire and general safety tips to prevent fires in and outside of your home.

We have also run several safety drills this month as we continue to have a focus on safety and a positive school climate here at AG!!!

### Special points of interest:

- ✓ Our school day for students begins promptly at 9:00 AM and dismissal is at 3:00 PM.
- ✓ If your child is to be dismissed from school, please send in a note in the morning.
- ✓ Anybody coming to school during the day must have a picture I.D.
- ✓ If your child is absent from school please call the main office in the morning. If we do not receive a call a member of our staff will be contacting you by phone regarding the absence.
- ✓ Thank You for all your support of our school!!!!

## Spotlight on Fifth Grade

Students in Mrs. Schott's class are working on a math project that allows them to demonstrate their mastery of fractions, mixed numbers, and decimals. They are enjoying working with recipes to use what they've learned this year to solve real world problems. This project is helping them answer the age old math question, "When am I ever going to use this?" In Mr. Blessis' class in math, we will be introducing concepts including data landmarks such as mean, median and mode and also deepening student knowledge of algebraic expressions. Additionally, students will have the opportunity to use Project Based Learning to deepen their understanding of previously taught math concepts. The project possibilities include; owning / managing a baseball team, creating a game show, and creating a recipe book. Both fifth grade classes are heading to the Boston Museum of Science on June 1. On June 2, they will travel to South Middle School for an orientation to help them prepare for next year. Preparations are also underway for Step Up Night, which will be held on June 18.

## PBIS PROJECTS!!!

The PBIS Team has been hard at work supporting our school-wide PBIS projects and community service endeavors. During the month of March our whole school strived to “Be A Change Hero” to help support Baystate Children’s Hospital.

In the month of April, the PBIS team debuted the PBIS video highlighting SOAR behavior at our

school. The video was well-received by students and staff and helped some put a visual to what SOAR behavior looks like on a day to day basis.

The PBIS Junior Ambassadors sponsored the Red Sox Opening Day-wear your team gear to school in support of the Jimmy Fund. During the month of May we will be having a PBIS Picnic Lunch on May

27th and we will be re-searching famous people from history that have demonstrated qualities and positive actions that inspire us to do our best, persevere, and treat others with kindness, dignity, and respect. Thanks to our PBIS Team, staff, and students for all of their hard work and for helping others in our community!!!

## Nurse’s Corner

Spring is here and so are seasonal allergies. As trees start to bloom and pollen becomes airborne, allergy sufferers begin with sniffing and sneezing. The most common triggers are: trees, grass & pollen. Here are a couple of tips to help with pollen:

- Between 5:00 and 10:00 in the morning, stay indoors.

Save outside activities for late afternoon or after a heavy rain, when pollen levels are lower.

- Keep windows in your home and car closed to lower exposure to pollen.

If you have questions please contact Mrs. Poremba at 572-6418.



## Dates/Events to Remember

**5/25 - Memorial Day - No school**

**5/26 - MCAS Makeups**

**5/27– PBIS Picnic Lunch**

**6/1 - 5th Grade Trip to Boston Science Museum**

**6/3 - Field Day**

**6/9 - Family Literacy Night - 6:30 PM**

**6/12 - Talent Show - 9:30 AM**

**6/15 - School Improvement Council Meeting - 3:15 PM**

**Looking for more information?**

**Check out our website:**

<http://westfieldag.sharpschool.net/>

**Please join our parent/guardian email-notification system by contacting Mrs. Matysek at 572-6418.**