



◇ Safety

◇ Responsibility

◇ Respect

◇ Teamwork

November 2015

# WHITMORE-BOLLES

**“Children need to be taught how to think, not what to think”**

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## Important Dates...

Nov. 6	1/2 day students—end of marking period
Nov. 9	PTA Meeting 6:30 pm—cafeteria
Nov. 12, 18, 19	Parent Teacher Conferences
Nov. 18	Late Start—school begins at 9:35 am
Nov. 24	Picture Retake Day
Nov. 25-27	No School—Thanksgiving Recess

## Important Info...

All of our students have completed the on-line NWEA MAP assessment. We give this assessment in Reading & Math (all grades), Science and Language (grades 3-5) to determine your child’s instructional level and to measure academic growth during the school year. The assessment adapts to the appropriate level for your child’s ability. As a result, each child has the same opportunity to succeed and maintain a positive attitude toward the test. Teachers are able to then use the results to accurately individualize instruction for your child. Teachers will be sharing your child’s results at the up-coming parent/teacher conference. Please contact the office if you have further questions. Our end goal is always growth in student achievement!

## Please Remember...

- The cold and flu season has arrived. Hand washing is the best defense in preventing the spread of the flu. If your children are sick, keep them at home until they are fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medicine.
- Now that winter is approaching students and parents are reminded that boots, winter jackets/snow pants, mitts/gloves and hats will ensure that students can enjoy the outdoor recess breaks each day. Please label all items of students’ clothing with their name. Especially for younger students, an extra pair of mitts/gloves and socks tucked into their backpack will keep students comfortable and reduce the need for phone calls to parents during the school day for dry clothes.
- In the spirit of Thanksgiving...I am grateful for you! I am thankful to work in a school where our partnership & commitment to education for your child is so great! Happy November!

## Leader in Me...



Habit of the Month: Habit #7

*Sharpen the Saw*

A message from Kid President

[What Kids Really Want from a Vacation](#)

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