



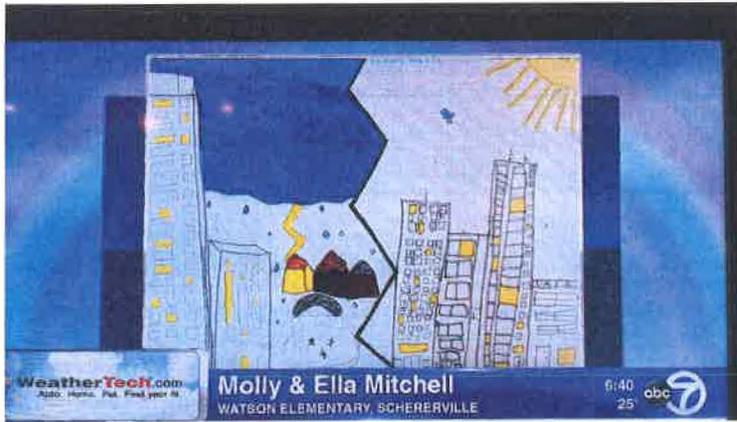
Watson Elementary Newsletter

March 2021



Thank you to our School Board President for capturing this special picture!

Tracy Butler, Channel 7 weather person, showcases students drawings from around the viewing area



Office News

Our Watson students go outside for recess as often as possible. Please make sure your child is dressed for the weather. We go outside daily if the temperature is 20 degrees or above and the conditions are dry.

Please make sure that your phone, address, and email information is updated in SKYWARD. It is important that this is updated. It will keep you informed when important messages and emails are sent out to our families.

Important Parking Lot Information

The handicapped spots are reserved for those with a handicapped plate/placard. Please do not park in handicap parking without the appropriate plate/placard.

Please do not drive in the bus from 7:30-4:30 daily.

Please do not park in the reserved spots.

All early childhood families must park in a parking spot and walk to Door BB to drop off and pick up your child.

Please drive with care and keep everyone safe!!

A few of Ms. Yelich's 101 Dalmatians celebrate our 101st day of school!



Mrs. Witchy visits our Kindergarten classrooms on Valentine's Day to complete a Kindness craft!



Our Watson Staff drumming to the beat of "I Feel Good". Thank you for the fun and exercise, Coach K!



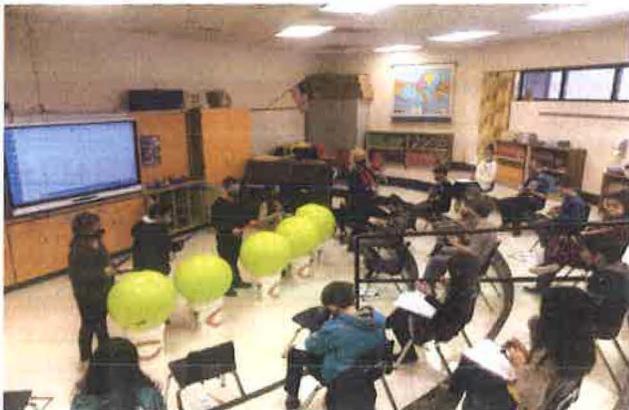
Thank you, Coach K!



Mrs. Puzey's class using their musical talent!



Students learn about drumming in both gym and music class!



Staff in the Spotlight!



Our eLearning Kindergarten teacher returns to in-person instruction, and our Wildcat family could not be happier!!

My name is Amanda Murzyn and I have the best job in the world, teaching Kindergarten here at Watson! Although I have been teaching elementary students for 8 years, this is my first year at Watson Elementary School. I graduated with my BA of Science from Purdue University, and then pursued my teaching degree specializing in Early Childhood and Elementary Education from Calumet College of St. Joseph. I love teaching Kindergarten and having the opportunity to see my students grow. I have an amazing family that include my husband Brian, and 2 children, Benjamin & Addison. We love going to different sporting events, traveling, swimming, and spending time with our family.

Mrs. Dexter joins our incredible Early Childhood team at Watson this school year!



My name is Becky Dexter, and this is my first year teaching at Watson. I am currently an early childhood teacher. Before I came to Watson, I taught 5th grade at Grimmer for 2 years. I graduated from Purdue University with a degree in elementary education (K-6), special education (P-12), and middle school English (5-9). I live in Crown Point with my husband and lots of fur babies! We have two dogs, two cats, and a betta fish -- not to mention my hermit crab here at school (our class pet). Needless to say, I love animals! I also love singing and baking in my spare time. I really enjoy coaching cheerleading, but I am taking a break from that this year. Some of my favorite things include sushi, lemon shake-ups, fall weather, music, and spending time with my friends and family. I am loving Watson, my students, and my coworkers; I am so happy to be here!!

Our kindergarten students during their special Valentine's Day!



Preschool Readiness Skills in Early Childhood at Watson



Submitted by Janice Meyer, teacher

Students in Miss. Janice's classroom participates in preschool readiness skills throughout the year. Preschool readiness activities incorporated in the classroom allow students to independently explore and solve problems with hands-on activities. In this activity, the students were learning the letter S and learning words that began with the little S. In this photo they explored a slinky!!!

IREAD ASSESSMENT is quickly approaching for our 3rd graders! IREAD will begin on March 9! Please make sure your child eats a good breakfast and remind them to just do their best

Kindergarten Registration is March 15-19!
Please see attached flier for more information

Help us keep our Wildcats healthy!!

Please make sure your child is wearing a mask every morning when leaving for school. It would be helpful to keep an extra in your child's backpack! Masks **MUST** be worn over the nose while on the bus and in the school building!



March

Week of March 9-IREAD testing for 3rd graders at Watson (more information will be sent home soon)

March 15-19-Kindergarten Enrollment (on-line/no in-person enrollment this year)

March 22-26-No school spring break



April

2 Easter Break



May

27 Last Student Day

June

1 Report cards available in skyward

Lake Central School Corporation
2021-2022



KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT



Monday, March 15—Friday, March 19, 2021

Kindergarten enrollment for the **2021-2022** school year will be available on-line beginning Monday, March 15, 2021. **There will be no in-person enrollment this year.**



To be eligible for Kindergarten, a child **must be 5 years old on or before August 1, 2021** and legally reside within the Lake Central School Corporation boundaries. Parents of children who will be 5 years old after August 1, 2021 but before October 1, 2021 may appeal for early entrance to Kindergarten by contacting the principal of the school their child would attend.



The following documents will be required:

Child's legal (**not hospital**) birth certificate, parents valid Indiana Driver's License or State ID with current address, two proofs of residency (i.e., home ownership papers or rental agreement and one current utility bill verifying address), and in the case of a divorce or separation, a copy of the custody papers. **Documentation must be submitted before enrollment is complete.**



Prior to the first day of Kindergarten, parents must provide the Lake Central School Corporation with written proof that their child has been immunized. Indiana Law (Code 20-8.1, 1-7-9.5) requires the doses: 5 doses of DTaP, 4-polio, 2-MMR, 3-Hep B, 2-Varicella/Chicken Pox (or physician documentation of chicken pox disease history will be accepted as proof of immunity) and 2-Hep A. The Lake County Health Department offers immunizations. However, they do not take all insurance companies. Please call the clinic at **(219) 755-3658** to verify insurance eligibility.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT AND INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE FOR EACH OF OUR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

Bibich Elementary School

14600 W. 81st, Dyer, IN 46311
(219) 322-1185
bibich.lcsc.us

Peifer Elementary School

1824 Cline Ave, Schererville, IN 46375
(219) 322-5335
peifer.lcsc.us

Homan Elementary School

210 E. Joliet, Schererville, IN 46375
(219) 322-4451
homan.lcsc.us

Protsman Elementary School

1121 Harrison Ave, Dyer, IN 46311
(219) 322-2040
protsman.lcsc.us

Kolling Elementary School

8801 Wicker Ave, St. John, IN 46373
(219) 365-8577
kolling.lcsc.us

Watson Elementary School

333 W. 77th Ave, Schererville, IN
(219) 322-1365
watson.lcsc.us

DISTRICT KINDERGARTEN INFORMATIONAL MEETING FOR PARENTS OF INCOMING KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS
Wednesday, February 17 at 6:00pm (student last names A-L)
Thursday, February 18 at 6:00pm (student last names M-Z)

Parents of incoming Kindergarten students are invited to attend a pre-enrollment informational meeting on Wednesday, February 17, (last names A-L) and Thursday, February 18, (last names M-Z) at the Lake Central High School Auditorium at 6:00pm. Please enter at Door A or B. The purpose of this meeting is to highlight various aspects of the upcoming enrollment process and Kindergarten Program. We will provide seating that allows for safe social distancing. **Masks are required. Parents only please.** This meeting will also be live streamed for those who prefer not to attend in person. The link will be posted on the main Lake Central website www.lcsc.us If you have any questions about this meeting, please contact the office of the school where your child will attend.



****PLEASE COMPLETE ENROLLMENT BY FRIDAY, MARCH 19, 2021****