

NEWS IN A FLASH!!



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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"The mission of the White Cloud School community is to provide a quality learning environment promoting continuous improvement and lifelong learning for all."

I do hope everyone's break was a wonderful time with family. We have had a terrific week back! Some students were a little groggy getting back into the week but everyone, including staff, were very happy, excited, and reenergized to jump into the rest of the year. 😊

****We are pausing the popcorn sale as of now since we realized some costs to those who order that we were not told about (shipping, convenience fee for using your card to purchase). We will let you know when further decisions are made.**

****Parents—We have about 81% of our WCEL students enrolled in Final Forms. All students are required to be enrolled in Final Forms—our new online student enrollment/information system---since this is where we pull our updated student information from. Please see directions below for how to do this. All notifications from school are now only being done in Final Forms so please sign up your child very soon so you don't miss out on important information. Thank you!**

*****All students** (even current students) must be signed up/enrolled on Final Forms. **TO SIGN UP ON FINAL FORMS:** Please go to our website www.whitecloud.net and click **ENROLL NOW** in the top right corner Then click the Current Student link. Thank you!!

Thank you to everyone who donated food for our local food pantry, Benny's House! The United Methodist Church, who runs Benny's House, were happily overwhelmed with the generosity of our families! You touched a lot of hearts. Thank you.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Jan 13	Retake Lifetouch Picture Day
Jan 16	No School for Students
Feb 17 & 20	Mid-Winter Break-No School
Feb 27	Half Day for Students
Mar 31-Apr 7	Spring Break
Apr 24	Half Day Students
May 22	Half Day Students
May 29	Memorial Day - No School
June 7	Half Day - Last Day of School

KICKSTART TO CAREER

Do you know a Newaygo County student who has a Kickstart to Career account (Kindergarten-4th graders)? Give them a gift to benefit their future! These funds support career or educational expenses after high school graduation.

For more info, visit kickstarttocareer.org or Facebook (@KickstartNC).

Visit ChoiceOne Bank today to make a deposit as a gift to one of your loved ones!



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This month's focus is Empathy. One way to think about Empathy is "understanding and connecting with other people's feelings." Empathy is a practice that can help us grow strong relationships.

Empathy is 1 of 3 traits we will focus on throughout the year that helps students **Be Kind**. Throughout the school, students will be developing skills like perspective-taking, conflict resolution, and leadership.

RESETS:

- **Count to 10**
- **Exercise**
- **Draw or color**
- **Go to a quiet place**
- **Think happy thoughts**
- **Squeeze a stress ball**
- **Ask for help**
- **Deep Breaths- finger, box, rainbow, bumblebee**

<https://www.healthline.com/health/mind-body/mindfulness-activities>

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