



Parent News from Armstrong Elementary

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Website: aes.sowashco.org

School hours: 8:40 a.m. - 3:10 p.m.

October 29, 2020

Virtual Book Fair

It's Book Fair time!!

You're invited to shop our Scholastic Book Fair online from **October 28-November 10**. All purchases benefit our school and connect kids with new books, favorite characters, complete series, and more! You'll love the NEW option to shop for **Book Fair exclusives** directly from the interactive booklist and enjoy these special online shopping features:

- Over 6,000 items, including new releases, best sellers, and value packs
- All orders ship **direct to home**
- **FREE shipping** on book-only orders over \$25*
- All purchases **support our school** and earn 25% in rewards

Visit our Book Fair Homepage and click "**Shop the Store**" or "**Shop the Virtual Fair**" to get started:

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/armstrongrockets>

Happy reading,
Mrs. Sorenson, Armstrong Media Specialist

Hybrid Learning Reminders

In the hybrid learning scenario, students will learn through a combination of distance learning at home and in-person learning at school. Hybrid learning does not allow for students to voluntarily choose to miss their in-person school days and substitute that day for a distance learning day. When students miss an in-person day, they will make up their missed instruction when they return to school.

Virtual Learner Families: Library Book Checkout

Virtual Learner Academy (VLA) Families:

We are excited to offer Curbside Book Checkout for our Armstrong VLA students! If you would like to check out books from our Armstrong Library, visit our website for directions and a tutorial video:

[VLA Book Checkout for Armstrong Elementary](#)

If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Sorenson at asorenso1@sowashco.org. Happy Reading!

Fall Picture Ordering

Student pictures went well! Thank you to the VLA parents & students for your patience with our first try at afternoon/evening photos. The Josten's photographers said you should be able to see the photos online within a couple days of them being taken. Here is the link and the Armstrong event code. Please call Anne in the office at 651-425-4101 if you have any questions.

<https://shop.jostenspix.com/login>

Armstrong Event Code: FE70920

If you want to do re-takes OR you missed the picture days, please let your child's teacher know that they need their picture taken on the appropriate date below.

Re-Take Dates:

- Wednesday, November 11 – Group A students – during school day
- Thursday, November 12 – Group B students – during school day
- Thursday, November 12 – VLA students – 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm

More info can be found on the Armstrong website at [Fall School Pictures at Armstrong Elementary](#)

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Fall Parent/Teacher conferences will be held virtually in November. Teachers will be sending out more information with specific dates and times.

Armstrong Masked Singer

Have you been keeping up with the Masked Singer—Armstrong Edition? Each week, a staff member sings behind a mask and you get a week to guess who it is. The link to the video is posted on Seesaw every Friday. Your child can find it in their "Activities" tab in Music class. Click the link, watch the video, and post your guess...it's so much fun! Here is the link to last week's Masked Singer. Look for the answer and for a new link on Seesaw tomorrow morning. <https://padlet.com/mallorymartin15/masksinger6>

Winter Clothing Assistance

SoWashCo CARES is working again this year to provide families with winter gear (coats, mittens, boots, etc). If your family is in need, please complete the form at this link on our Armstrong website. Please return the completed form to the office at Armstrong by Friday, October 23rd.

[Winter Clothing Help Opt In](#)

Shout Outs

Armstrong students are focusing on “**OPTIMISM**” in the month of October. “**COMPASSION**” is the rocket trait for November.

Once again we are using Shout Outs to show off our students using good Rocket Traits! Below are the students that received Shout Outs in the past couple weeks for their awesome work. The students receiving shout outs will be bringing home a little certificate to show off to family! Virtual learners, we will get your certificate sent to you.

- **Bentley L.** – Knd/Mr. McGuire/A (from Mrs. Meek): “Having a “yes” reply about being a good listener”
- **Camden S.** – Gr 1/Mrs. Haley/A: “Working hard and being kind to others”
- **Preston K.** – Gr 1/Mrs. Haley/B: “Always working hard”
- **Alena Y.** – Gr 1/Mrs. Festvog/A: “Having a great attitude about school”
- **Addi T.** – Gr 1/Mrs. Festvog/B: “Working hard and staying positive”
- **Lena S.** – Gr 2/Mrs. Fuller/B (from Ms. Patty): “Being kind and respectful”
- **Hailey S.** – Gr 2/Mrs. Strander/B: “Being responsible completing work in class & online”
- **Jocelynn C.** – Gr 2/Mrs. Strander/A: “Being optimistic every day and sharing your smile”
- **Christian M.H.** – Gr 3/Ms. Ike/VLA: “Being active & willing to challenge yourself in live lessons”
- **Katie H.** – Gr 3/Ms. Ike/VLA: “Using what we learned in live lessons during independent activities”
- **Ayla P.** – Gr 3/Ms. Ike/VLA: “Always participating in live meetings & having a positive attitude”
- **Carter H.** – Gr 3/Ms. Ike/VLA: “Putting his best effort in all his activities online & during live lessons”
- **Alanah P.** – Gr 3/Mrs. Berling/A: “All your hard work getting your assignments done”
- **Abby T.** – Gr 3/Mrs. Berling/A: “All your hard work getting your assignments done”
- **Annabelle P.** – Gr 3/Mrs. Berling/A (from Mrs. Theis): “Having a positive attitude & working very hard”
- **Shirley F.** – Gr 3/Mrs. Fuglestad/B: “Working hard & having such a positive attitude every day”
- **Soliyana Z.** – Gr 3/Mrs. Fuglestad/A: “Always participating in class discussions & asking great questions”
- **Alayna S.** – Gr 4/Mrs. Marek/A: “Being positive in different situations”
- **Maddie B.** – Gr 4/Mrs. Marek/B: “Having a positive outlook and personality”
- **Brody J.** – Gr 4/Mrs. Davis/A: “Always having a positive attitude”
- **Gavin S.** – Gr 4/Mrs. Davis/B: “Having a good attitude & good participation”

Upcoming Events

- **October 28 through November 10, 2020** – VIRTUAL Fall Scholastic Book Fair
- **Tuesday, November 3, 2020** – **NO SCHOOL, Election Day/Teacher Workshop Day**
- **Tuesday, November 10, 2020** – PTO Meeting, 6:30 pm – VIRTUAL
- **Wednesday, November 11, 2020** – Wendy’s Night, 5:00-7:00 pm
- **Wednesday, November 11, 2020** – Picture Re-Take Day, Group A students
- **Thursday, November 12, 2020** – Picture Re-Take Day, Group B students
- **Thursday, November 12, 2020** – Picture Re-Takes, VLA students, 3:30—6:30 pm
- **Wednesday, November 25, 2020** – **NO SCHOOL, Teacher Work Day**
- **November 26 & 27, 2020** – **NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving**
- **Tuesday, December 8, 2020** – PTO Meeting, 6:30 pm – VIRTUAL
- **Wednesday, December 9** – Wendy’s Night, 5:00-7:00 pm