



A Message to Our Communities

We started the new year with continued hope and creative approaches to foster our students' learning and growth. This newsletter features a look back at notable events over the fall and winter, including, most recently, an inspiring, student-led celebration of the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

On a practical note, with the winter season now in full force, you can access the latest school weather updates through <u>WFSB.com</u>, and you can sign up for WFSB weather text alerts <u>here</u>.

Thank you for all you do to support our work and the students we serve. As always, our safety plans are posted to our website at <u>WheelerHealth.org/NVS</u>.

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Of Dreams & Change

Students celebrated the life and contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with original artwork and research, culminating in a January 14 presentation to the Northwest Village School community and senior leaders from within Wheeler. For more uplifting stories from our classrooms, click <u>here</u>.



An Adorable Canine Calls



On December 23, students enjoyed a delightful visit from 5-year-old "Tenley," a Cavalier King Charles Spaniel, and her loving owner, Karen. Tenley actively worked before and throughout the pandemic, providing joyful respite opportunities for individuals and families in schools, hospitals, and other community settings.

Celebrating Unity

This past fall, students celebrated both Unity Day and Spirit Day with positive messages and dialog about the value of kindness and bullying prevention. They also wore clothing colors in support of the LGBTQIA+ youth community. Unity Day is the signature event of National Bullying Prevention Month, which engages individuals, schools, communities, and businesses in wearing or sharing orange to unite for kindness, acceptance, and inclusion.



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