“Commitment: It's not about the competition; The goal is to exceed my own expectations.”
For the 2013-2014 school year, commitment is our motto. Our staff and students are committed to setting and exceeding challenging goals.

Monday, May 26
Memorial Day – No School
Whittier Elementary would like to thank all of the brave men and women who have served our country to keep all of us safe and free. We appreciate all of your sacrifices.

Great News! Attendance Summary!

May 12-May 16
Kindergarten – 97.04%
First Grade – 98.31%
Second Grade – 98.62%
Third Grade – 97.53%
Fourth Grade – 95.91%
Fifth Grade – 96.72%
Overall Average: 97.01%
YIPEE! We made our goal of 97%!

May 19-May 23
Kindergarten – 94.88%
First Grade – 98.31%
Second Grade – 98.21%
Third Grade – 98.27%
Fourth Grade – 98.23%
Fifth Grade – 96.02%
Overall Average: 96.69%...so very close!

Yearbooks Have Arrived!
Yearbooks will be distributed on June 4th. If you did not purchase a yearbook, your child may purchase one on June 4th for $11.00.

PTA Sponsored “Second Annual Summer Camp Out”
August 16 and 17, 2014
At Whittier Elementary!!!
This is going to be the BEST event of the summer!!! Bring your tent or camper and sleep under the stars at our FAVORITE elementary school, Whittier. Join other families
as we play games, make new friends, laugh, eat, and just have a great time! Even if you don’t consider yourself a camper this one night event will be AMAZINGLY FUN!!! Mark your calendars now! (See the attached flyer.)

Summer Art Show

Congratulations to the following students. Their outstanding artwork will be displayed in the Summer Art Show! We are very proud of: Ethan Nohl, Owen Bringsosen, Alex Dickman, Kallista Street, Natalie Gilligan, Briana Mahmudi, Atticus Coen, Ali Shea, Mi’Kyra Jones, Thania Celis, Vincent Bennialge, and Kaitlin Poyer.

ATTENTION ALL WHITTIER VOLUNTEERS

The Whittier Staff would like to invite all members of the Whittier Community to a Volunteer Luncheon on June 9th. A flyer will be going home in this week’s Thursday Folder. We hope you will be able to join us. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO!

FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY!

We have attached a flyer for a FREE science camp for students going into Grades 4-6. The science camp will be held at Lance Middle School, July 7th – 11th, from 9:00 A.M to noon. Lance will accept the first 40 students who return the application form. They have two teachers teaching the science camp, Mr. Walton and Mrs. Flox. Lance will notify the parents by June 20th if their child was accepted (based on the 40 seat capacity), or earlier if possible. This sounds like a great opportunity for our students!

BOX TOPS SPRING COLLECTION CONTEST!

Last one of the school year!
DUE Tuesday, MAY 27, 2014!

It's time for our Spring Box Tops Contest! It is time to send in all those box tops that you have been saving. The classroom that collects the most box tops by the deadline of Tuesday, May 27, 2014, will win a reward party of their choice (rootbeer floats or cookie decorating) so be sure to include your child’s teacher’s name with the box tops you turn in.

PTA is, also, collecting Labels for Education - so send them, too!

4K and Kindergarten Registration

We are accepting 4K and Kindergarten registrations. Please visit our office for all of the details!

Thank you and Congratulations!

- Thank you to Heidi Dryer and Vera Hamilton for your leadership with our new club this year, “Bully Busters”. We would like to tip our hat to the following students: Tristen Krueser, Andon Stein, Wyatt Modory, Katie Watring, Roshell Walker, Deundra Nichols, Nathan Boots, Valerie Bruce, and Rachel Gibbs.
• Thank you to all of the Whittier Volunteers who helped with the Scholastic Book Fair! We appreciate your time and efforts to provide our students with such a wonderful opportunity. A special thank you to Shawna Couch for all you do!
• Thank you to everyone who participated in Market Day this year. Your participation greatly helps Whittier.
• Thank you, Patricia Ngoma and Nidia Silva, for the wonderful ELL Gathering last Friday.
• Thank you to Mr. Hamilton, Mrs. Stollenwerk, Ms. Nosek, and Mrs. McKay, for all of your work on the Talent Show Try-outs. A special Shout-Out to all of the students who participated in the try-outs. We are proud of all of you!

THIS WEEK: May 26-30

Monday, May 26  
Memorial Day – No School

Tuesday, May 27  
BOX TOPS ARE DUE!
• 1:30 A.M. – Bully Busters will meet with District Personnel to share ideas regarding anti-bullying.
• 2:30 P.M.-3:30 P.M. – Chess Club

Wednesday, May 28  
170th Day of School
Market Day Pick-Up 4:30 P.M.-5:30 P.M.
• 2:30 P.M.-3:30 P.M.- Choir Practice – Dress Rehearsal
• 2:30 P.M.-3:30 P.M. – 5th Grade Girls Golf Clinic
• 6:00 P.M. – Whittier Concert with our Orchestra, Band, and Choir

Thursday, May 29  
First Grade Field Trip to the Racine Zoo from 8:30 A.M.-2:00 P.M.
Third Grade Field Trip to Kemper Center/History Center from 8:45 A.M.-2:00 P.M.
Kindergarten Field Trip to Milwaukee Zoo – all day
Mentor Picnic with Mrs. Dryer
• 2:30 P.M. – 4th Grade Intramurals

Friday, May 30  
K-5 Student dismissal is at 12:30 P.M.
Early Education Afternoon Session – 9:18 A.M.-12:30 P.M.
• 12:30 P.M. – 5th Grade Intramurals

Sunday, June 1 – ACTION TERRITORY

Upcoming Events:
• June 2 – Safety Patrol Bowling Field Trip
• June 3 – Last Chess Club Meeting
• June 4 – Second Grade Field Trip – all day
• June 4 – Distribute yearbooks
• June 5 – 5th Grade Banquet
• June 6 - K-5 Student dismissal is at 12:30 P.M.
• June 9 – Kingfish Baseball Night
• June 9 – Volunteer Luncheon - More information will be sent home soon.
• June 10 – Track and Field Day (K-2 will be in the A.M., and 3-5 will be in the P.M.)
• June 11 – Fourth Quarter Ends
• June 11 – Early Education Morning Session – 7:25 A.M.-10:32 A.M.
• June 11 – Early Education Afternoon Session – 11:13 A.M. – 2:25 P.M.
• June 11 – 1:00 P.M. – Talent Show
• June 11 – K-5 Student dismissal at 2:25 P.M.
• June 12 – Our hot lunch program will be available to students.
• June 12 - Early Education Morning Session – 7:25 A.M.-10:32 A.M.
• June 12 - K-5 Student dismissal is at 12:30 P.M. – Last Day for Students

Have an honorable week! Jo