“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.

LAST NEWSLETTER OF THE SCHOOL YEAR!
HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Whittier families and staff for a wonderful school year! Your child’s education and safety are our top priorities, and I am grateful every day to be able to work with all of you! Thank you for all you do to support our Whittier Community! Happy Father’s Day!

Mrs. Schneider

Summer Reading Challenge

Information was sent home in the report card envelopes regarding the 3rd Annual Summer Whittier Reading Challenge. This summer, our goal is 200 students participate in our reading challenge. Also attached to the Challenge was information about myOn and the Barnes and Noble Contests. We have attached the letter to this newsletter, just in case you missed it. Students should return their Reading Challenge Form on the first day of school. GOOD LUCK TO ALL OF OUR WHITTIER STUDENTS!

Whittier’s Learning Commons Open This Summer!

Consider checking out books at the Whittier Learning Commons this summer. Our Learning Commons will be open on Friday, June 27; Thursday, July 10; and Friday July 18, from 8:00 A.M.-Noon. All books are due on Friday, July 25th.

FREE MATH SUPPORT THIS SUMMER!

This summer, TenMarks is offering a FREE summer math program for K-12 students. This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to maintain their math skills over the summer. Please consider joining at this site: http://summer.tenmarks.com or https://www.tenmarks.com/consumer/signup

WOW! WHAT A GREAT JOB!

The students were challenged to earn 2,500 Atta-Paws this school year as part of our PBIS Incentive Program. Congratulations to all of the students! They earned 2,842 Atta-Paws this year! KUDOS!

KUSD Summer Student Art Show

The annual Summer Student Art Show will be Sunday, July 20, from 10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. at the Kenosha Public Library. Congratulations to the following students, who will have their artwork on display: Ethan Nohl, Alex Dickman, Natalie Gilligan, Atticus

Camp Invention: Scholarships Available

If you are considering sending your child to Camp Invention, we have scholarships available. Please contact me at jschneid@kusd.edu if you are interested. It is a great experience for our students.

Attendance for the Week of June 2-June 6
- Kindergarten – 97.22%
- First Grade – 94.41%
- Second Grade - 96.00%
- Third Grade – 95.71%
- Fourth Grade – 96.67%
- Fifth Grade- 97.01%
**Overall Total – 96.22%**

Attendance for the Week of June 9-June 12
- Kindergarten – 98.78%
- First Grade – 98.31%
- Second Grade - 97.12%
- Third Grade – 98.38%
- Fourth Grade – 98.67%
- Fifth Grade- 98.69%
**Overall Total – 98.15%**

2013-2014 School-Wide Goal – 97% Attendance

We were so very close this year in reaching our goal. Congratulations to all of our students on an outstanding effort this year!

Attendance for the WHOLE YEAR
- Kindergarten – 95.73%
- First Grade – 96.10%
- Second Grade - 96.57%
- Third Grade – 96.37%
- Fourth Grade – 96.44%
- Fifth Grade- 96.51%
**Overall Total for the School Year – 96.28%**

Nineteen Students Celebrate Perfect Attendance for the Entire School Year!

Congratulations to our nineteen students who had Perfect Attendance for the entire school year. We are very proud of these students. They had no absences, no tardies, and no leaving early every day this year. WOW! What an accomplishment! Last year, we had 13 students with Perfect Attendance. We are very proud to report that we had an
improvement of 32%!

**NEXT YEAR ATTENDANCE GOAL: 97%**

For our next school year, 2014-2015, we will have the same goal of 97% Attendance. We know we can do it! We have attached the 2014-2015 school calendar so you know when school is in session when planning family activities and vacations. Thank you for your support in this area.

**MARKET DAY NEWS**

Thank you very much for supporting our school through Market Day!!! Our last pick up at Whittier for this school year will be Wednesday, June 18. Paper orders are due by the last day of school, and online orders can be placed through Saturday, June 14, 11:00 P.M. NEW THIS SUMMER: You can get Market Day at Tremper HS and tell them you would like the profit to go to Whittier. Those sales are July 17 and August 21. You can place your orders online for those sales. Have a great summer!!

**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 attachment.)

**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 all of the students, staff, and parents that made Track and Field Day so fun! It was great to see all of the different groups working together and having fun outside during their time.
- Thank you to all of the Whittier families who attended the Kingfish Game! It was cold, but it was a lot of fun!
- Thank you, Heidi Schneider and Bryn Hagen, for all of your support and help with our Attendance Goal this year!

Have a safe, fun summer and don’t forget to read!

Jo