

## Awesome Lives Here

January 2021

## Justify & Tell Why

#### **Principal's Corner**



Happy New Year Eagles! I hope you had a very safe and happy winter break. I also hope that 2021 is a great year for all of us. January is usually a month where goals are set for the new year. I hope you take the time to set goals for your education and I also wish the best for you and your families. In our first week back from break, we had our Spelling Bee. Congratulations to Felix and Omar! I know you will represent us well at the District Spelling Bee. We also had our Eagle of the Month ceremony. It is always great to celebrate our student's success and it is a great way to start off the month.

Not only is January the beginning of a new year but it is also the beginning of a new quarter and new semester. Everyone starts off with no missing work. Let's have a great semester and finish out our year on a positive note. Some of you had great grades and I am very proud of you. Some others need this new start and hopefully will get on the right path to success. This week, we will send out videos to our parents on how to look at grades. If you need anything, please contact us. Not only are the teachers here for you but also our counselors and administration. Please take advantage of tutoring if you need it. Tutoring starts this week. Have a great January! Go Eagles!

Frank Gilvin WCMS Principal



### 2020-2021 Spelling Bee Winners By Melissa Bracamonte

The Spelling Bee was performed on a different platform this year. We used the Scripps Online Testing platform. Twenty-two students participated and tested from their home on January 6,

Felix Ibarra



2021. The test consisted of 25 spelling words

**Omar Navarro** 

and 25 vocabulary words. This timed test was followed by students reciting the Integrity Pledge. Felix Ibarra and Omar Navarro will now participate in the District Spelling Bee on Wednesday, January 20, 2021.

# Christmas Greetings from Wade Carpenter Middle School!

Check out our Christmas Video at https:// wcms.nusd.k12.az.us/what s new/ feliz navidad w c m s 2020 Courtesy of Ms. Hanna Milner our WCMS Music teacher.



On December 12th, 2021 our Principal Frank

Birthday News

Gilvin celebrated a birthdav!

Happy Birthday Mr. Gilvin from all of us at Wade Carpenter Middle School!

#### **Get To Meet Your WCMS Teacher**



Hello, my name is Shine Raj and I am from Kerala, a small state on the southwest coast of India. Currently, I live in Nogales with mv wife and son. After completing high school, I graduated from

Scott Christian College with Math, Physics and Chemistry as the main subjects. I did my master's in Physics from Bharathidasan University. I started working as a teacher in 2008. I like to travel and explore new places. Therefore, when I got an opportunity to work in Maldives, I grabbed it with both hands. Maldives is a chain of islands formed of corals and I lived on a small island of only 1.5 square miles. This allowed me to learn and experience a different culture and a different school system. After working for two years in the Maldives, I came back to India to complete my bachelor's degree in Education from the University of Kerala.

I have ten years of teaching experience, which includes teaching High School Students for around six years. I have been working at Wade Carpenter Middle School as an Eighth grade Math teacher since 2016. Initially, it was a challenge to adjust to an entirely new school system and it would have been difficult for me to even complete my first year at WCMS without the help and support of my colleagues and school administration. With every passing year I feel that I am getting better and gaining in confidence and now I really enjoy working here at WCMS.

This pandemic poses challenges but I hope that the vaccine will help us to return to normalcy soon and I am looking forward to seeing my students in class for in person learning.

## January 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Happy New Year	2
3	4 First Day Back from Winter Break	5	6	7	8 Eagles Of The Month	9
10	11 Governing Board at the District 4:00 pm—5:30 pm	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 No School Ob- servance of Martin Luther King	19 100th Day	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30/31

#### A note from Mrs. Sílva





# January 2021 Eagles Of The Month









**Top Row:** America Cortez, Mitzia Gastelum, Nicke Kuraica, **Middle Row:** Diego Picos, Alissa Reyes, Karla Saavedra, Danahy Sanchez, Arnold Vallejo **Not Shown:** Milla Nunez



Christmas Card Greetings to All

Wishing you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year! From: Wade Carpenter

waae Carpenter Middle School Office Staff Character Counts By Lisa Putnam & Alba Irastorza

Treating others with fairness and dignity is the "rain" that helps them to grow and be fruitful.

The fifth of the *Six Pillars of Character* is Fairness. Here are some ways each of us WCMS Eagles can show fairness in our everyday lives:

• Play by the rules. • Take turns and share. • Be open -minded; listen to others. • Don't take advantage of others. • Don't blame others carelessly. • Treat all people fairly.

Although you might not have as many opportunities to show fairness while we're not physically on campus or in the classroom, you can still work on being fair with your family and friends. Can you think of a time when someone was not fair with you? How did it make you feel? How can you make sure others don't feel that way because of something you say or do?

"Live so that when others think of fairness, empathy, and integrity they think of you." – Oleg Vishnepolsky