



# Spring Events at Washington Center

Washington Center

GREENVILLE COUNTY SCHOOLS

## Washington Center Seagull Express



### Spring is in the Air

Spring's arrival has been welcomed with Special Olympic games at Furman. Students proudly brought home the gold with developmental and skill achievement medals. Our Riverside High School volunteers were on hand to assist in making the event fun, friendly and challenging.

Also, on April 14, students enjoyed a school-wide outing to Wade Hampton High School to see the play "Anansi the Spider", and next week it will be the Greenville Little Theater group who will come to Washington Center to perform the play, "A Duck Called Ugly."

On April 25, we will celebrate our ninth annual PTA sponsored Walk & Roll beginning at 9:00 am at Brookwood Church, and the event will again be kicked off by news anchor, Carol Goldsmith. Enthusiastic participants from our community will join students, families and staff to celebrate and support Washington Center. Our PTA organizes this annual event for funding,

entertainment and exercise, so check out page 3 for updates about the Walk and Roll from Washington Center's PTA president.

Our annual Craft Day will be on May 8; Community Day on May 22; and, Graduation/ Awards Day on June 3. Those events will soon round out another sensational year at Washington Center.

### Dates to Remember

- April 22 Greenville Little Theater play
- April 25 Walk & Roll
- May 4 Interim Progress Reports
- May 4-8 Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 8 Craft Day
- May 22 Community Day
- May 25 Memorial Day Holiday
- May 29 Water Day—WC @ Hollis
- June 3 Graduation/Awards Day
- June 3-5 Half-Days for Students
- June 4 Awards Day—WC @ Hollis
- June 5 Last Day of School



### In this issue:

School News	1
From the Principal's Desk	2
From our PTA Presidents	3
Photo Fun	4

## From the Principal's Desk



Dr. Penny Rogers,  
Principal

Wow! It's spring already, and here at school we are wondering where the year has gone. With Special Olympics, followed by the annual Walk and Roll and then Craft Day, Community Day, and Graduation, the school year will be finished in a flash. Of course there will also be numerous field trips and special classroom activities, and we are excited about having again been selected to receive a grant for movement equipment from the Columbus Hope

Foundation. Also, the SC Chapter of the National School Public Relations Association is recognizing us with a Golden Achievement Award for the PTA Family Night we had in November, and we are very pleased that one of our teachers, Sharon Russo, has been selected to be featured on WYFF as a Golden Apple Award winner. We are also very proud that this spring, Di-quaris Johnson, was chosen by Upstate Parents Magazine as one of the up-

state's outstanding fifth graders. Stay tuned as we have more to come.

I personally continue to be grateful for the opportunity I have to work with this amazing staff and with the students and families who make Washington Center the special place it is. Thank you to each of you for your support and enthusiasm. You are impressive folks.

**Points from purchases through registered cards accumulate to provide free equipment and supplies for the school.**

## BI-LO

Families are urged to register for the BI-LO Hometown Educational Rewards program to support Washington Center. Points accumulated on registered cards



provide free equipment and supplies for the school. Please visit the link below for infor-

mation using the Washington Center school number 54477 <https://www.bi-lo.com/community/hometownrewards/default.aspx>



Students prepare for the annual greenhouse plant sale

## How Does your Garden Grow?

Don't miss our annual Spring Plant Sale that is already in progress during school hours.

Cathy Bush,  
Adaptive Environ-

mental Science Teacher, includes our students in all aspects of plant propagation and care.

The public is invited to purchase from a wide variety of

flowers and vegetables in support of the program.

Please call the school, 355-0250, for more information.

## From Our PTA President

Spring is upon us and with the warmer temperatures reminds us that school will be ending soon, but until then the PTA has been hard at work preparing for our 9th ANNUAL WALK & ROLL on APRIL 25 at 9am on the campus of Brookwood Church in Simpsonville. Make plans now to attend and bring your family, friends, and neighbors. You can register on Eventbrite or send in a registration form with your child. The registration fee is \$15 per entry. Please try to attend the walk even if you do not register.

May 4-8th is Teacher Appreciation Week. We

have some special events planned for that week to show our appreciation to ALL the staff and administration. Thursday, May 7th will be DESERT DAY and we are asking parents to send in your favorite dessert to share with the staff. Craft Day is Friday, May 8th, please come out and support the classrooms by shopping from their craft selections. More information on this week's activities will be sent home with your child soon. Our Administration and Staff work so hard each and every day to ensure that our children have a loving environment in which they can reach their maximum capabilities;

so, take a moment and say Thank You or do something extra special for your child's classroom and teacher this week!

The PTA has a new project - a Therapeutic Nature Trail is being developed in the wooded area behind our school. We are very thankful to have several community members express an interest in helping with this project.

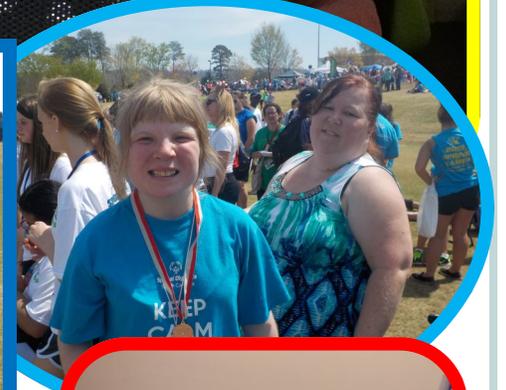
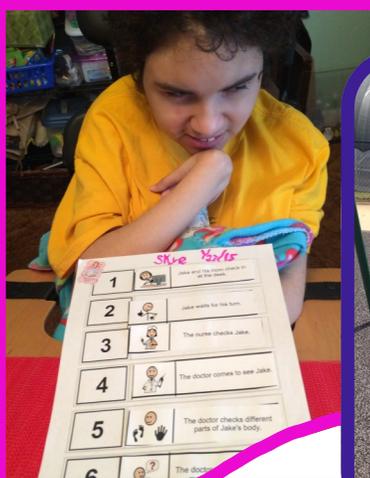
In closing, Washington Center PTA wishes you all a safe and happy summer, and we'll see you at the Walk and Roll on Saturday April 25 at 9:00 am.

**"May 4-8th is Teacher Appreciation Week. We have some special events planned that week to show our appreciation to ALL the staff and administration."**

## Future Site of Therapeutic Nature Trail



Washington Center students have been busy bees as they participate many different activities this Spring!



THOSE YOU THINK CANNOT.... CAN!