



The Welby Way

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## Mission and Vision

A Message from Principal, Jennifer Yoo

We have just completed our third week of school, and we are in full swing at Welby Way, thanks to your assistance. Thank you to each one of you for making our opening so smooth. You have contributed to a great start to the new school year by promptly sending back the many forms we have asked you to fill out, assisting daily by following the traffic rules, volunteering at school or at home, participating in all of POWW, Inc.'s efforts to supplement our programs, and supporting your child by modeling for them, reading with them, and talking with them. We sincerely thank you for your partnership.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your teacher or any of us in the office. We are here to work with you. Our mission and vision are clear. Our goal is the same as yours - to provide the best elementary experience for our children.

### Mission Statement:

At Welby Way students are passionate about learning. We strive to inspire students to seek deep, meaningful understanding; to develop strong academic skills adaptable to the needs of the 21st century; become creative, critical, and independent thinkers; cultivate perseverance, initiative, responsibility, and respect; and establish a growth mindset, habits of mind, and scholarly behavior.

### Vision Statement:

At Welby Way, we align pedagogy, curriculum and the learning environment in order to reach a child's full potential. Our goal is to provide differentiated instruction, research-based instructional strategies, enrichment programs, and interventions that address the social, emotional, and academic needs of the whole child. Most importantly, Welby Way expects and encourages students to take responsibility and accountability as active participants in their own learning and in doing so recognize their role in their world. Our highest

### Important Dates!

- Thurs. 9/8:** Curbside Recycling continues from 7:45 a.m. - 8:10 a.m.
  - Fri. 9/9:** Assembly for Patriot Day 8:15
  - Tues. 9/13:** Room Parent Meeting in auditorium @ 8:00am
  - Thurs. 9/20:** POWW Meeting @ 8:00 a.m. in Room 37
  - Thurs. 9/20** Site Council 7pm Library
  - Fri. 9/23** Orchestra Enrichment Classes Begin
  - Wed. 9/23:** Spaghetti/Bingo Night 6pm
  - Tues. 9/27** Honors Award Assembly Grades 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>; 8:10 a.m.  
Kinder - 3rd: 9:10 a.m.  
SPIRIT STORE OPEN DURING ASSEMBLY
  - Tues. 9/27 - Wed. 9/28:** CPK Restaurant Night from 10:30 a.m. -9:30p.m.
  - Thurs. 9/28 - 9/30:** Student Picture Day (Lifetouch)
  - Fri. 9/30:** Mid Term Progress Reports Sent Home
  - Wed. 10/12:** School Closed
  - Tues. 10/18:** POWW Meeting @ 8:00 a.m. in Room 37
  - Tues. 10/18:** Site Council Meeting 7pm Library
  - Thurs. 10/20:** McTeacher Night from 4:30-7:30 p.m. at Platt McDonalds
  - Fri. 10/28** TRUNK OR TREAT
  - Fri. 10/31:** Halloween Parade in the morning.
- 2016/2017 Minimum Days - 12:30**  
**Dismissal:** Nov. 7; Nov. 9; Nov. 10; Feb. 27; March 1; March 2; April 6; June 8, June 9

**WEAR RED/WHITE AND BLUE FOR PATRIOT DAY 9-9-16**

priorities revolve around the central belief that each student is fully capable of becoming a productive and influential member of society.

**Welby Way will continue to provide an exemplary education through a learning program that:**

- Emphasizes multidisciplinary, project-based learning that enables students to make real-life connections, ask essential questions, and think conceptually.
- Utilizes hands-on, investigative learning that assists students to problem solve, think critically, and make meaning of the world around.
- Incorporates the arts throughout the curriculum and studies its importance throughout history and its role establishing a culture.
- Provides authentic opportunities for students to effectively utilize all forms of communication.
- Uses technology to apply knowledge and create original work as a means of personal and group expression.
- Emphasizes a growth mindset, habits of mind, and scholarly behaviors for all.
- Collaborates with all stakeholders and problem solves with shared decision making.
- Provides opportunities for all stakeholders to model continuous learning and intellectual growth.
- Expects integrity, teamwork, cooperation, positive relationships, and a genuine home-school connection.
- Develops community partnerships to connect students to the real world.

Our instructional program at Welby Way will prepare a new generation of luminaries who thrive in learning communities that extend far beyond geopolitical borders. Students will understand that education is an investment in their own identity, know how to apply learned skills, take pride in their academic and career accomplishments, display cultural awareness, and strive to empower others to do to the same.

We encourage you to make the most of your years with us at Welby Way by getting involved, participating, and sharing your time, talents, passion, and heart with us. It is all about the kids, each and every precious child. We are a team at Welby Way, and by supporting each other, we build a loving, nurturing, enriching environment for all of us to grow - children and adults alike. Together, we will make this the best year ever.



## A Message from POWW:



Welcome All New and Returning Families!

We are super excited for another fantastic year here at Welby Way. It has been so great to see all of our returning families and to meet the new families. We have yet another great year filled with so many of our traditional, as well as new, events that keep our community so connected and raise all the important funds to help us with all of our amazing programs. We thank all of the teachers for the Back To School night that is always full of information. Our first family event, Spaghetti Bingo, is just a couple weeks away on September 23 and is always a favorite. And, we are not even a month into school yet.

Our AGC campaign which supports so much of what we have to offer at Welby Way is well underway. Thank you to those who have already donated. We have until September 12 for classes to get 100% participation and get free homework passes and double recess for the children. Any amount counts toward 100% participation. More

### **POWW'S Annual Giving Campaign: We Need YOU!**

When you make your contribution early, it means we can return our best attention to the kids: their academics, enrichment and FUN! The Annual Giving Campaign is POWW's largest fundraiser – allowing us the budget to fund many of Welby Way's essential programs and staff. **Please consider a donation of \$295 per student or the most generous gift your budget can accommodate.** We are relying on you. For more information about our Annual Giving Campaign, please visit : [www.parentsofwelbyway.com/agg](http://www.parentsofwelbyway.com/agg).

information can be found on our website listed below or you can send an email to [agc@parentsofwelbyway.com](mailto:agc@parentsofwelbyway.com)

We encourage you to check out and continue to be involved in all that Parents of Welby Way (POWW), Welby's parent organization has to offer our community. POWW is successful because of you! We have monthly meetings open to all, and a website, <http://www.parentsofwelbyway.com/> and Facebook page that are also great sources of information. You will see that our calendar is full and encourage you to take advantage of all that POWW has to offer to our families.

We are always available to answer questions. Below are our emails, please feel free to contact us at anytime.

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We look forward to working as partners together this year to support our wonderful children.

Sincerely,

Stacey Weiss  
President, POWW Inc.  
Welby Way Elementary School

Summer Middleton  
VP, POWW Inc.  
Welby Way Elementary School



## Additional Information:



**Join the POWW Facebook Page!** One way to keep up to date with things that are happening and to get questions answered is to join the Parents of Welby Way Facebook Group. To do this, search for "POWW" from within Facebook. Select it, and then click on the "Join" button. A moderator will add you and then you'll be able to post to the group. No photos of children please.

**Upcoming Restaurant Nights:** Mark your calendars and join us for the following Welby Way restaurant nights. A portion of your check will be donated to Welby Way. These are fun evenings that get you out of doing dishes while supporting a great cause. Every penny counts. Thank you for supporting our fundraisers!

**September 27 – September 28:** CPK 10:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.

**October 20:** McTeacher Night from 4:30-7:30

**November 16 – 17:** Pizza Rev 11 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.

**December 14:** Tikka Grill from 11 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.

**February 2:** Jersey Mikes 10am-9pm

**March 15-16:** Pizza Cookery from 11 a.m. – 9 p.m.

**April 14:** Baskin Robbins

**May 3-4:** West Hills Pizza

**Ralphs Club Card = FREE Money for Welby.** Attention Ralph shoppers! Register your Ralphs Club Card and Welby Way will get free money! You MUST re-register every September. (They won't roll over your registration from year to year.) Tell your friends, family, neighbors and babysitters. There is no cost to register and Welby gets a percentage of what you buy. Register or reregister for the new term at [www.ralphs.com](http://www.ralphs.com) or use the scanbar letter at the registers in the stores.

**Curbside Recycling:** Bring your recyclables every Thursday morning from 7:45 a.m. – 8:10 a.m. in front of the teacher parking lot on Welby Way. We take aluminum cans, any type of glass and plastic bottles, and anything plastic with the triangle logo. We take Lays Brand (only) potato chips bags. Please no tin cans, cardboard milk or juice containers, paper or cardboard.