

## DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MARCH 1, 2024

**March is Women's History Month, and we will be recognizing notable women each day.**

### **Simone Biles**

Today we recognize the most [decorated](#) American gymnast Simone Biles. Simone was raised by her grandparents after her mother's struggle with substance abuse, and it was at an early age that she discovered her ability on the gymnastic mats. In 2016 at the Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, Simone won the individual all around, vault, and floor gold medals, in addition to the Team all-around gold. Spend a moment today reflecting on how you can overcome adversities to reach your dreams.

**Remember that Monday is a late start school day for students.**

**It's also March Reading Madness in honor of National Reading Month!** From the time when the building blocks of our character are laid, to adulthood when we seek to escape from the humdrum of daily life in the pages of a book, reading plays an integral role in shaping us into who we are. Today we will celebrate Read Across America Day with guest readers in English classes.

The Book Bracket has also been posted. Individual brackets are available in the library. Fill one out and submit it no later than Monday, March 4. The student with the best bracket will win a prize.

Round one of the book bracket is also open. Be sure to cast your vote.

**For those students who were in Mrs. Calendar's Falcon Time yesterday,** go to the library today for Falcon Time to complete your ACT pre-work. Attendance will be taken there.

**Come out as boys basketball starts their playoff run at 7:00pm tonight right here at home.** Get your tickets for the game at Ticket Spicket [here](#).

**College Visits** - Representatives from universities periodically come to Whitnall. You need to sign up in the Counseling Office by noon the day before the visit if you want to attend.

- MATC, Mondays, 10:00am-12:00pm
- University of Wisconsin-Stout, Thursday, March 7, 3rd hour
- Marquette University, Wednesday, March 13, 3rd hour

### **Clubs/Activities**

Lift Club meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00-4:00pm in the weight room. Everyone is welcome – including staff – and there is a workout plan for beginners and off-season athletes or experienced lifters.

Geology Club will meet on Wednesdays, March 6 and March 20, after school in room 256.

The Way, a Christian club, will meet on Fridays, March 8 and March 22, from 7:00-7:30am in room 110 (the computer lab downstairs).

**Order Your 2023-24 Yearbook** - Order [here](#).

\$80 (Now-April 1, 2024)

The final deadline to place an order online is April 1. There is no guarantee yearbooks will be available if not ordered in advance. There will NOT be any reorders after the final deadline in early 2024.

**Spring Sports Registration** - Students who want to participate in a spring sport need to have a valid sports physical and have registered before the first date of practice or tryouts in order to participate:

- Track & Field (Boys and Girls) - March 4 (Practice starts)
- Softball (Girls) - March 11 (Tryouts)
- Soccer (Girls) - March 18 (Tryouts)
- Baseball (Boys) - March 18 (Tryouts)
- Golf (Co-Ed) - March 25 (Practice starts)
- Tennis (Boys) - March 25 (Practice starts)

**Want a snack in the afternoon? Stop at the Snack Bite table at about 12:30 and after 7th hour and get something for only \$1.00.** The students sell these outside The Cafe on the upper level.

**The Charlie B's** school store is open during all lunch hours. Come grab a snack, drink or some spirit wear! Charlie B's is located behind the cafeteria.

**Military Visits** - Representatives will be in the cafeteria during lunch periodically. Stop by their table to find out more and get your questions answered.

- Air Force - April 24
- Army National Guard - March 5, March 19, April 2, April 16, May 5, May 21, June 4
- Marines - April 9, April 23, May 14, May 28
- Navy - March 4, April 1, May 6, June 3

**Lost and Found** - Check the lost and found table outside the office for things you might be missing.

**Activities Registration Required** - If you are participating in a Whitnall High School activity or club, you need to register in Infinite Campus. Although there might not be a fee associated with a particular activity, all participating students – and parents – need to review and sign the Whitnall code of conduct which is part of the registration process.

**Return Daily Chromebook Loaners** - Students who have borrowed a chromebook from the Help Desk need to return it at the end of the school day. These are daily loaners to be used for one day. Fees will be added in Infinite Campus for those not returned.

**Regarding Falcon Time**, teachers or administration might assign you to a class. If you don't sign up for a Falcon Time, you will be assigned. You may be assigned to a silent study hall or "general study" that is not one of your classroom teachers. You need to go to the Falcon Time on your schedule that day or you will be

marked absent. All same day Falcon Time change requests must go through the teacher. If you signed up for a Falcon Time yourself, you can change that up until the day before.

**Check for Scholarships** - Students, remember to check Xello for a listing of scholarships. New ones are added periodically.

**Health Room Process** - If you are not feeling well, you first need to be excused from class and get a pass from your teacher to go to the Health Room. If that staff member feels you need to go home, your parent/guardian will be contacted. Do not just contact someone to come pick you up. If you are leaving the building, you need to check out at the main office window with Mrs. Beyer.

**Help Desk** - The Help Desk is located on the lower level in room 150. It is open for technology assistance on school days, 7:30am-3:00pm, or fill out a Help Desk ticket [here](#). A hall pass is REQUIRED when visiting during class time.

**No Chromebook chargers loaned out** - Make sure your Chromebook is charged every day. The Whitnall Helpdesk does not loan out chargers of any kind. If you need your laptop charged, bring it to room 150, and they will provide you a fully charged device while your own device charges. The Help Desk will not charge your personal electronics. Charge swaps and daily loaners are limited to three uses per month, repairs notwithstanding.

**All Students** - You need to scan your ID if you are coming in late or leaving early. This includes seniors with open campus so make sure you have your ID ready when you are at the window. If you lost your ID, there is a \$5.00 replacement fee. See Ms. Kolberg in the office if you need an ID.

**Meal Account** - When having breakfast and/or lunch at Whitnall High School, you will need your ID. Families can put money in their meal account through Infinite Campus or put cash or a check, made payable to Whitnall School District, in the lock box in the cafeteria or outside the district office. Make sure you have the student's first and last name and grade included.