



Dear Winterberry Families,

Our in-person instruction is continuing to go smoothly into our second week. Teachers and students have established their new rhythm and the smiles and laughter are heartwarming!

Thank you to families who are consistently dropping their students off on time (8-8:15am) as it truly helps keep the main lesson whole and uninterrupted.

Now that you have had a window into Main Lesson through the Google Classroom for most of this year (Parent Education/silver lining), be sure to ask your child about their school day, the stories they are listening to their teacher tell, the Main Lesson book writing and drawings. What was the watercolor painting this week? Are they working on any form drawings? These are the questions that you can now ask as you have had this unique opportunity to peek into the world of a Waldorf classroom.

With the return of the light, many children are staying up later than usual. I encourage you to gift your children with a good night's sleep each night. Ten to eleven hours is optimal for young children and all children benefit from quiet evening rituals of family meals and conversation. Childhood is fleeting yet so formative. We want to support you supporting your students. We have a lot of collective knowledge of child development at Winterberry, please reach out if you need some support! We are grateful for you!

Wishing well,  
Principal Pepe-Phelps



## Introducing: Sophia Nedom

### **Tell me about your 8th grade project.**

For my eighth-grade project, I am building a website to sell my art. Unfortunately, all my work was deleted. So, I had to restart. It is a lot easier this time because I have a sense of what I am doing. I'm catching up on that. I need to get my products done because I don't have very many.

### **What's your favorite medium?**

I like to do marbling with acrylics.

**What's your favorite thing about the project:** I've enjoyed learning how to build the website. I'm not good at computers, so it was a nice experience to figure something out. I hope to make it live and sell my pieces. It's not just an 8th project.

**When did you start dabbling in art?** I've been painting for quite a while. I got my first set of acrylics when I was 9 or 10.

### **What do you like to cook?**

I don't really like to cook; I'm more of a baker. Some of my favorite things to bake are cakes and bread. I like almost any baked good, so I don't really have the problem of not liking what I make. I enjoy making yeast breads (I find working with sourdough starter a little scary).

**What are some of your favorite bakes?** Peanut butter cookies with chocolate chips.

### **What are your hobbies and passions?**

I like downhill skiing and painting. I also have a collection of bottle caps.

**How big is the collection?** I just started collecting them in Mexico. I have about 20-30 in a box.

**What sports do you like?** I like downhill skiing and playing volleyball, and I like to watch soccer.

**If you could live anywhere in the world, where would it be?** Probably Iceland. I went there once when I was 8 or 9. I remember the weather was great and the people were nice too.

**What qualities do you look for in a friend?** Kindness is important to me. It doesn't matter if they are an introvert or extrovert. It matters that they are kind. We live in such a judgmental society; I want to be with people who aren't.

**What three adjectives would you use to describe your best friend?** Caring, kind, friendly, and passionate. **Yourself?** Artistic, loyal, and compassionate.

**If you could have a superpower, what would it be?** If I could have any superpower, I would either want to be a sorcerer, a shapeshifter, or have the power of illusion. I don't know which one I like more. They all seem really cool to me.

**If you were an animal what would you be?**  
Probably a tiger.

**Name a role model and/or public figure who you admire.**  
Ruth Bader Ginsburg because of all she did for women's rights.

**What do you like about our school?** Everybody gets so close over the years. We aren't just a class; we are almost a family. I also like how much artistic freedom there is.

**What about specials?** I like Handwork and Spanish, but mostly it's the classroom experiences I like.

**What's your favorite book?**  
I don't have a favorite book, but I do have a favorite author. My favorite author is Rick Riordan, and my favorite series by him are Percy Jackson, Magnus Chase, and The Kane Chronicles. They are all really good, and I can't pick a favorite. I also like Keeper of the Lost Cities by Shannon Messenger.

**What do you think these times are asking of you?** Just to do my best even if the times are hard. Keep moving.

**Elections for the WPG Executive  
Board are tonight!**

Come meet the nominees! The seat of treasurer is still open and looking for a volunteer.

All are welcome to attend tonight's meeting. We look forward to seeing on zoom.



Bunny Tiger

***Enjoy Today's:  
Tiger Talk  
Or  
Is it Bunny Talk?  
Or  
Tiger Bunny?  
What is Tiger up to?***

## Dates to Remember:

Winterberry Parent Guild  
will meet tonight  
April 1th

**Time: 1st Thursday of the month at 6pm**

Zoom Link to meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4270246187?pwd=dGNPcVFIYURRMHhJb3U0azlZd1pnUT09>

Winterberry Charter Council  
will meet  
April 15th

**Time: 3rd Thursday of the month at 6pm**

Zoom Link to Meeting  
<https://asdk12.zoom.us/j/519426010>

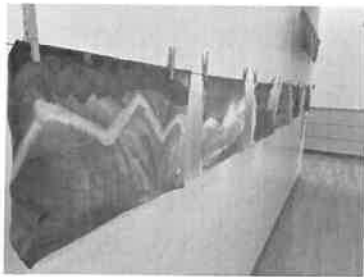
Meeting ID: 519 426 010

### 2020-21 Student, Staff and Family Climate and Connectedness Survey

The close date for this year's SCCS surveys (family, student and staff) has been extended to April 23rd to allow schools more time to increase response rates in this difficult year.

This survey contains the same questions as last year along with added items specific to the pandemic. Please take a few minutes to click on the button below and let us know what your year held for you and your student.

Survey



Grade 4 Watercolors



Lunch Time



Ms. Silcox's school poem



Grade 2 classroom



Grade 3 on their stickers waiting for their turn

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