

Week of September 14-18 Newsletter

Hello families!

I am so excited to be writing this newsletter to you! Our school year is just beginning. Even though we won't be together in class, we will be together as a team on the live meeting each day. We will be learning so many things. The most important thing we will learn is about YOU!

The first couple of weeks will be very important for you and your child to learn how to use the tools on your device (iPad). This way you can find the scheduled activities and be able to respond. As part of a class community we will be trying new things and practicing them over and over until they are understood. I will be here to support you and help you in any way I can. If I do not have an answer to your question, I will find someone who can. My email address is: madausj@worcesterschools.net and the West Tatnuck phone number is (508) 799-3596.

I am sure you are experiencing lots of different feelings as I am, like excitement and nervousness, curiosity and confusion. That is normal and to be expected. There is lots of information on Worcester Schools website for you to access regarding Coronavirus, information about West Tatnuck, and the student portal to get to the Clever Page. We will go over some of these things during our Know Your School Night (KYSN) Zoom meeting on September 14th between 6-8.

Here is the Zoom link for KYSN: <https://worcesterschools.zoom.us/j/96114489148>

Clever is the starting point for getting to our Activities and Zoom meetings on Seesaw. Login information has been created for your child to make the process easier and were included in the package of materials that were disbursed on Thursday the 10th and Friday the 11th. This is found on your child's Clever badge. Your child will use the QR code at the login in or use the username and password included on the badge on the iPad that you received. (Your child's email address will look something like this: student.#####@worcesterschools.net. The 6 digit number is your child's student identification number. The password will be an 8-digit number which represents your child's birth date.

If you feel that you need some additional support with technology, Worcester Public Schools has a place for you to ask questions in drop-in sessions, attend live webinars, and watch tutorial videos. It is called the Caregivers Tech Academy and here is the link to check it out:

<https://sites.google.com/worcesterschools.net/caregiverstechacademy/home> .

It can also be found on Worcester Public Schools:

<https://worcesterschools.org/>

or the West Tatnuck Elementary website: <https://worcesterschools.org/school/west-tatnuck-school/>

Upcoming Important Dates:

September 14:	Know Your School Night (KYSN) 6:00-8:00pm (see link above)
September 15:	One to One Zoom Meetings with Mrs. Madaus/Miss Maura/Miss Shaw
September 16:	One to One Zoom Meetings with Mrs. Madaus/Miss Maura/Miss Shaw (links will be sent to your emails soon)
September 17:	1st day of school for Pre-K (9:00-11:30 AM class; 12:30-3:00 PM class)