

**WINCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL**  
**80 Skillings Road**  
**Winchester, MA 01890 – 2853**  
**Telephone 781-721-7020**

**PARENT FACULTY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER ~ FEBRUARY 2012**  
Visit our website at [www.whspfa.org](http://www.whspfa.org)

**FROM THE OFFICE OF PRINCIPAL TOM GWIN**

One of the action steps in the *School Culture* focus area is to expand the integration of service learning into the curriculum. The development of a proposal by June 2012 for senior year service learning is a benchmark for this action step. The Connect and Commit Steering Committee will be working on this proposal for the rest of the spring. If all goes according to plan, the proposal will be available for feedback from parents, faculty, students, and the community in June. A number of high schools in the area have end-of-year senior projects/internships that take place during the last few weeks of school. (It should be noted that Advanced Placement students remain in their AP classes until the AP exam is given.) These programs encourage students to experience education in the real world, something that can be very valuable and productive during the last days of senior year. Ms. Baker's second semester Senior Focus course will concentrate on the community of Winchester and pilot this kind of end-of-year project with her seniors. You will be hearing more about this throughout the year.