



# WESTPORT CENTRAL SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSNOTES

March 5, 2010

## Soar With Excellence

### **YOUTH COMMISSION SKI/RIDE AT WHITEFACE**

The next ski & ride will be held Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010. The bus will leave the school at 7:30 a.m. and arrive back at school approximately 5 p.m. Note: at times busing may not be available and carpooling will need to take place. Anyone riding the bus must have a valid health form on file with the Youth Commission. These forms are available at the school and WADA. Everyone attending should sign-up weekly in the office by the end of school on Friday. Please contact Jeff Schwoebel at 962-8567 or Bridgette Blemel at 962-4392 with any questions.

### **7-12 DRUG EDUCATION CLASSES**

March 8<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>, Don McMullen, our drug educator, will be at Westport Central School to meet with grades 7-12. He will meet with each class twice during the week.

### **CHEERS FOR PEERS**

Congratulations to our Cheers for Peers "Bucket Filler" Award Winners:

K: Wren VanDuesen, 1: Sarah Chandler, 2: Abe Staats, 3: Patrick Fair, 4: Malynda Lobdell, 5: Mattea Viens, 6: Thomas Mero.

### **HAVE YOU FILLED A BUCKET TODAY?**

Our latest initiative is the "Bucket Filler" project. WCS students, faculty and staff have been participating in trainings and assemblies outlined in the books: *How Full Is Your Bucket?*, by Tom Rath, and *Have You Filled A Bucket Today?*, by Carol McCloud & David Messing. Join us in our efforts to be a Bucket Filling School! For more information: [www.bucketbook.com](http://www.bucketbook.com) and <https://www.bucketfillers101.com/home.html>.



### **BIDDY BASKETBALL NEWS**

Thank you to all coaches, players, parents/guardians and WCS staff for helping to make this 2010 Biddy Basketball season such a success! As a reminder to all players that were not in attendance at the Lake Placid Tournament, please return your game jersey as soon as possible.

### **MARCH FITNESS ROOM SCHEDULE**

The Fitness Room will be open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. during March with the following exceptions:

Open: 3/8 & 3/10      Closed: 3/9 & 3/11

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S COFFEE HOUR**

Superintendent's Coffee Hour will be held Tuesday, 3/9/10 from 8:15-9:15 a.m. in the Superintendent's Office. Feel free to come in and chat.

### **BLOOD DRIVE**

A Blood Drive will be held on Tuesday, 3/9/10 from 2-6 p.m. at the school. Help save lives - please give blood!

### **BUDGET & BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS**

There will be a Budget Meeting at 5:30 p.m. followed by a regular Board of Education Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, 3/11/10 in the library. All community members are welcome to attend.



### **FIVE WEEK MARKING PERIOD/FIVE WEEK REPORT DISTRIBUTION**

Friday, 3/12/10 is the end of the Five Week Marking Period. On Friday, 3/19 Five Week Reports will be distributed to K-6 students and mailed home for 7-12 students.

### **EARLY DISMISSAL**

Students will be dismissed from school at 1 p.m. on Thursday, 3/18/10. There will be no ACAP After School Program.

### **WESTPORT YOUTH COMMISSION NEWS**

The search for Westport Youth Commission Summer Program Counselors and Counselors in Training is on! All new and returning summer camp counselors and new CIT's, please pick up your applications and apply at the Westport Town Office. Any questions, please call Robin at 962-4419. **All applications must be submitted no later than 3/15.**

### **MICHAEL BLAINE – MASTER HYPNOTIST**

The Class of 2012 proudly presents Michael Blain, Master Hypnotist on Friday, 3/19 at 6:30 p.m. in the Bulles Auditorium. The cost is \$5 for students/senior citizens, \$8 for adults with a maximum of \$25 per family. Come and have some fun!!!

### **K -12 PARENT LUNCHEON**

Parent Luncheons will be held throughout the school year on the last Friday of the month, with a few exceptions due to vacations. On Parent Luncheon Day we encourage you to eat lunch with your child in the Westport Central School Cafeteria. We love having parents join us for lunch! Parent Luncheon Dates: **March 26**, April 23, May 28 & June 11.

Please join your students for lunch on Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>. The school lunch schedule is as follows:

Kindergarten 10:45 – 11:15                      Grades 3-6 11:54 – 12:24      Grades 1 & 2 10:50 – 11:20  
Grades 7 & 8 11:24-11:54                      Grades 9-12 12:24-12:54

As a reminder, all parents/visitors need to sign in at the main office.

### **WCS TALENT SHOW**

Get your act together for this year's Talent Show on March 27<sup>th</sup>. This year's theme is "Where the Wild Things Are!" Be a part of this truly enjoyable community event! Next week's talent show practice for elementary students will be Monday, 3/8 and Thursday, 3/11 from 3:00 to 4:10 p.m. in the auditorium. **There is no late bus on Monday's.** **Parents should send a note** in with your child giving them your permission to stay after school for practice, and where your child is going after practice (ACAP, home on late bus, parent pick up).

### **COMMUNITY FOR CARING**

Please spare your loose change – all proceeds will go to victims of the Haiti earthquake. The collection will continue through the end of March. Change containers can be found throughout the school or you can contact any elementary teacher at 962-8244.

### **YEARBOOK ORDERS BEING TAKEN**

**Yearbooks must be pre-ordered this year.** Please pre-order your Yearbook by giving your order to any Yearbook Club Member or Mr. Thompson along with a down payment of \$15 no later than April 9<sup>th</sup>. (Please make checks payable to WCS Yearbook.) The total cost of this year's Yearbook is \$40.

### **PRESCHOOL CENSUS**

In an attempt to update our records of preschool children, we would appreciate your assistance. If you have a child in the Westport Central School District age birth to age 4, we would appreciate you letting us know. Please call the school at 962-8244 to give us the following information: Child's name, date of birth, parent's names, address and telephone number.



### **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

We have begun taking the names of students eligible to enter Kindergarten for the 2010-2011 school year. If you have a child turning 5 years of age before 12/1/10, please call the school office at 962-8244 to register.

### **GRADES 3-6 HOMEWORK CLUB**

The Homework Club meets Monday through Thursday from 3:00 pm – 4:10 pm with Ms. Satloff in her classroom. The Homework Club is intended to provide students in grades 3-6 an opportunity to complete homework assignments and to provide assistance, if needed, before heading to afterschool extra-curricular activities or heading home. Students must have written permission to attend Homework Club. Parents will need to specify the days that the student has permission to attend **and** the transportation arrangements for participating students. A late bus is available on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4:10 p.m. Students must have written permission to ride the late bus.

### **ADULT BASKETBALL**

Adult Basketball will be held on Wednesdays (in the auditorium) and Sundays (in the gym) at 6 p.m. For more information, please call Dwayne Stevens at 962-4023.

### **PULL TABS FOR MOLLY UPDATE**

We will be continuing to collect pull tabs so please continue sending them in!

# **Upcoming Events**

4/2	Good Friday Holiday for students	4/22	Early Dismissal @ 1 p.m.
	Superintendent's Conference Day for teachers	4/23	Report Card Distribution
4/6	Superintendent's Coffee Hour 8:15-9:15		Parent Luncheon
4/8	Budget Meeting @ 5:30 p.m. Board of Education Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.	4/26-28	Grades 3-8 ELA State Testing
4/9	End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Marking Period	4/30-5/2	Drama Club Production
4/12-16	SPRING BREAK		