



WESTPORT CENTRAL SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSNOTES November 4, 2011

Soar With Excellence



HELP WCS WIN AN OUTDOOR FACELIFT!

Westport Central School is a nominee in The Clorox Company's *Power a Bright Future* grant program. We **NEED** you to help us win much needed funding to provide a safe and community-friendly outdoor recreational area. With the tennis program being put on hold due to lack of funds, a grant would allow it to be re-introduced and the courts would be open to public use. A set of stairs, as well as a new backstop and scoreboard for athletic teams would be constructed with additional funding. The grant would also enable us to rejuvenate the aging outdoor basketball court. Finally, both students and community members would be able to enjoy a newly-constructed, Adirondack-style lean-to and a re-groomed nature trail.

From Oct. 24, 2011 through Dec. 9, 2011, you will have the opportunity to vote online at www.PowerABrightFuture.com or via text once a day for our program. **The program that receives the highest number of votes** will be awarded the \$50,000 grand-prize grant, and the next top vote-getters in the *Play, Create and Explore* categories respectively will each be awarded a \$25,000 grant. One additional lucky school will be selected to receive a \$25,000 judge's choice grant. Visit www.PowerABrightFuture.com for official rules.

Vote online

- Log on to <http://www.powerabrightfuture.com/gallery/detail/?nid=1188>
- Vote one time every day!
- Spread the word!

Please pass along and invite your family, friends and colleagues to spread the word and help bring new resources to WCS.

FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICE

The following colleges will have representatives at WCS for students to visit with:

11/10 Clarkson University 11:30 a.m.

Other dates to remember:

11/10 Elementary Career Fair 1 p.m.

12/19 College Panel Presentation for 12th Grade – 5:30-7 p.m.



BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

There will be a regular meeting of the Board of Education on Thursday, 11/10 at 6:30 p.m. in the school library. All community members are welcome to attend.

SRC CLOTHING ORDERS

The Sports Recognition Club's clothing orders are due by 11/10. This is the only order that is being done BEFORE the Christmas break. Thank you for the support you give, which allows us to give recognition to Westport's student athletes.

VETERAN'S DAY

School will be closed on Friday, 11/11 in observance of Veteran's Day.



FALL SPORTS AWARD NIGHT

The Fall Sports Award Night will be held on 11/14 at 5:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

REPORT CARD DISTRIBUTION/OPEN HOUSE/FINANCIAL AID PRESENTATION

Thursday, 11/10 is the end of the first quarter marking period.

~ **Grade K-6** Report Cards will be distributed during Parent/Teacher Conferences to be held on 11/16 & 17. Students in grades K-6 will be released at 12:30 p.m. on both days. The ACAP After School Program will be available from 12:30-6:00 p.m.

~ **Grade 7-12** student Report Cards will be distributed during the Open House scheduled for 11/16 from 5-7 p.m. Students in grades 7-12 will have a full day of school on 11/16 & 17. There will be a Financial Aid Presentation following the Open House from 7-8 p.m. in the cafeteria.

CLASS OF 2012 SENIOR PLAY

The Class of 2012 presents *Boy Meets Girl*, a young love story based on a sketch written by Sam Wolfson and Richie Keen – and *Campsite Chaos*, a frantically romantic love story by Ken Preuss. Come join us for a night of humor on Thursday, 11/17, Friday, 11/18 and Saturday, 11/19 at 7 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for students & senior citizens.

GO HOME EARLY DRILL / THANKSGIVING BREAK

The school will have an emergency go home early drill on Tuesday, 11/22; students will be released at 12:30 p.m. School will be closed Wednesday, 11/23 – Friday 11/25 for Thanksgiving Break.

TOOLS FOR SCHOOLS

Please help us earn educational equipment through the Price Chopper "TOOLS FOR SCHOOLS" program. Make sure you have a Price Chopper AdvantEdge Card and then register your card for our school at www.pricechopper.com: our school code is **16462**. Our school will then earn credits from 7/31/11 through 3/31/12.

If you enrolled your AdvantEdge Card to support our school prior to August of 2010, you will need to re-enroll your card this year. Go to www2.pricechopper.com/toolsforschools to register your AdvantEdge Card for our school or to make sure your card is enrolled for our school. If you don't have a Price Chopper AdvantEdge Card, please get one at any local Price Chopper. Tell the clerk at the Customer Service Counter you want to earn credit for our school and you can start earning credit as soon as the card is processed. Our school code is 16462. Thank you for your support.

WESTPORT YOUTH COMMISSION

~ Westport Youth Commission's Dance and Movement Program will begin on Monday, November 14 at the Westport Town Office building. Classes begin at 3:15 for ages 4-6 and at 4:15 for ages 7 and older. Registration is \$25 for residents of Westport and \$40 for students who live in other towns or attend another school district. Contact instructor Caroline Thompson 962-8373 or 962-8778 for more information.

~ Look for more details soon about this year's ski and ride program in November.

BOY SCOUT MEETINGS

The Cub Scouts are meeting every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the LDS (Mormon) Church. If you are interested in joining, please contact Keith Lobdell at 962-4664.



KID'S DAY AT THE MUSEUM

The SUNY Plattsburgh Art Museum lecturers would like to invite all kids ages 8-11 to participate in a morning of learning and fun. Come and find out what happens behind the doors of an art museum. Kid's day will be held on Saturday, 11/5 from 10-11:30 a.m. You MUST pre-register as space is limited so don't wait long! For more information or to register, please call 564-4813 (M-F 9-4) or 643-8862 (after 4). There is no charge and parents and grandparents are welcome to discover the museum, too!!

YEARBOOK ORDERS

The 2012 Yearbooks are now on sale. If ordered by 12/15, the cost is \$40 – after 12/15 the cost is \$45. See Mr. Thompson or any Yearbook Club member to order your Yearbook!

PARENT LUNCHEON

Parents are invited to join their child(ren) for lunch on Friday, **12/2/11**. Please remember to sign in at the main office before going to the cafeteria. Lunch times are as follows:

K-2 10:45-11:20 **Gr. 3-6** 11:54-12:24

Gr. 7-8 11:24-11:54 **Gr. 9-12** 12:24-12:54

Please continue to collect Pull Tabs, Campbell Soup Labels, Box Tops for Education and help WCS earn Tools for Schools credit!

Upcoming dates to remember

- 12/2 Parent Luncheon
- 12/13 Elementary & Choral Concerts @ 6 p.m. in the auditorium
Board of Education Meeting @ 6:30 p.m. in Library
- 12/14 Early Release @ 12:30 p.m.
- 12/15 Winter Instrumental Concert @ 7 p.m. in the auditorium
- 12/16 End of Five Week Marking Period
- 12/21 College Panel Presentation @ 5:30 p.m. in band room
- 12/22 Five Week Report distribution
- 12/23-1/2 Holiday Break
- 12/26 & 1/2 Christmas & New Year Holiday observed for all staff

