



WESTPORT CENTRAL SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSNOTES November 2, 2018

Message From the Principal/Interim Superintendent

We have been gathering 50 signatures for a petition that the State Education Department requires before moving to the December 4th vote. As a reminder, the ballot in December will have a similar “yes” or “no” question about the merger, a second question about the number of Board of Education members to serve on the new Board, and a third question about the term lengths of the new BOE members. Further information regarding these topics will be provided at the upcoming forums being held on November 26, 6 PM – Sun Community News location to be determined, November 28, 6:30 PM – ELCS Auditorium and November 29, 6 PM – WCS Auditorium, and in an upcoming Merger Newsletter. As always, information can be found on our website at www.westportcs.org.

FROM THE WPTSO

Congratulations to Kristen Kimball, winner of the Candy Corn Raffle that took place during school Halloween Festivities last Friday! Kristen came closest to the actual candy corn count of 537 with a guess of 527!



Impressive. Thanks everyone for stopping by and taking part. Last call for the annual **FLY LIKE AN EAGLE FUN RUN** happening **this Saturday at 9am** (registration begins at 8am). It may not be totally dry, but it will be totally fun. Walkers! Bring an umbrella! Runners, dress for drizzle. Can't stand the idea of walking or running in

rain? Support WCS by cheering on your community and joining in a delicious pancake breakfast post race (only \$8 for non-racers). See you on Saturday!

FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOP

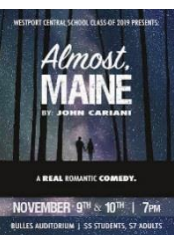
There will be a financial aid workshop on Wednesday, 11/7 at 6pm in the school library.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

There will be a regular meeting of the Board of Education on Thursday, 11/8 @ 6pm in the conference room. The meeting will open with an Executive Session lasting approximately 30 minutes immediately followed by a regular session. District Superintendent, Dr. Mark Davey, will be present to discuss the upcoming CVES Capital Project vote scheduled for 12/11.

STEM CHALLENGE #1

The first STEM Challenge, making an item using materials from nature, is due next Friday, 11/9. STEM challenges are open to WCS students, staff and community members. For more information, see Ms. Lackey or Mrs. Fiegl.



SENIOR CLASS PLAY

Join the Class of 2019 next Friday and Saturday, 11/9 & 10 at 7pm for their production of John Cariani's, **Almost, Maine**. Set in a small, remote, mythical town, **Almost, Maine** is a romantic comedy comprised of nine short vignettes about the perils and joys of love, loss and life. "*John Cariani's Almost, Maine explores the sudden thunderclap of love and the scorched earth that sometimes follows*" – *New York Times*. Support, celebrate and be entertained by the Westport Central School Class of 2019! Adults \$7, Students \$5.

VETERAN'S DAY HOLIDAY

School is closed Monday, 11/12 for the Veteran's Day Holiday.

FALL SPORTS AWARD EVENING

The Fall Sports Award Evening will be held on Thursday, 11/15 at 6pm at Elizabethtown Lewis Central School.

PICTURE RETAKE DAY

Students who would like to retake their school picture, or were absent on the day of school pictures, may sign up with Mrs. Atwell to have a picture taken on Monday, 11/19. For retakes, be sure to bring in the original pictures you received.

Report Cards / Early Release

~ Friday, 11/9 is the end of the first quarter marking period. Report Cards will be given to K-6 parents during Parent Teacher Conferences 11/19 & 11/20. Report Cards for grades 7-12 students will be mailed home on Wednesday, 11/21 for parents that do not participate in Parent/Teacher Conferences. Please watch Newsnotes for further information.

~ **K-6** students will be released at 12 noon on Monday, 11/19 for Parent/Teacher Conferences. 7-12 students will have a full day of school.

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THANKSGIVING BREAK

School is closed for all students and teachers on Wednesday, 11/21 and for all staff and faculty on Thursday and Friday, 11/22 & 23 for Thanksgiving Break.

CRAZY 8's MATH CLUB

Crazy 8's Math Club continues on Mondays after school for K-5 students. Please contact Ms. Lackey with any questions at lackeyt@westportcs.org.

WESTPORT YOUTH COMMISSION

~ **Dance and Movement:** Another year of dance began on Monday, 10/15 at the Heritage House with Caroline Thompson. The sessions are opened to all 4 year olds and up and run from 3:15pm-5:30pm. The cost is \$25/Town residents and \$45/Non-Town Residence. For most information, please contact Caroline at 518.962.8373.

~ **Biddy Basketball:** This program will begin in mid-late November and we are in REAL NEED of coaches at the (k-2) (3-4) and (5-6) levels. Please consider volunteering your time and replacing the coaches that have already done so for many years. Our youth need you to support them. Please contact Ed Mason at 518.225.9772 to discuss. It will be much appreciated by all.



LOOKING AHEAD.....

12/4	Binding Referendum Vote, 12-8pm MS/HS Instrumental and Choral Concerts @ 6pm
12/6	K-4 Elementary Winter Concert
12/11	Early Dismissal
12/13	Board of Education Meeting @ 6pm - Conf. Rm.
12/14	End of 2 nd Five Week Marking Period
12/21	Emergency Evacuation Drill Grade 7-12 15 Week Reports mailed
12/24-1/1	Holiday Break

