

WEEKLY NEWSNOTES December 14, 2018

PRE-KINDERGARTEN CLASS – UPDATE WITH SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

A full-day NO COST Pre-Kindergarten Class for resident 3 and 4 year olds is anticipated to start on Monday, January 7, 2019 at Westport Central School. The program will run Monday through Friday from 7:40 AM – 4:00 PM with <u>lunch provided</u>. <u>Transportation will be provided</u> (as part of our regular bus route) for 4 year old students. Parents are responsible for transportation of 3 year

old children. The program will follow the 2018-2019 school calendar. If interested, please contact the District Office at 518-962-8244.

END OF 15 WEEK MARKING PERIOD

Today was the end of the 2nd Five Week Marking Period. Grades 7-12 Progress Reports will be mailed home on Friday, 12/21.

CAPS FOR CRANE

Help our local horse rescue! Grades K-12, bring in \$1.00 on Wednesday, 12/19 and be able to wear your hat ALL DAY! What will you wear – Holiday, festive, fun or your favorite team cap? (All headwear must be appropriate.) All donations go to the Crane Mountain Valley Horse Rescue, Inc.



EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILL/HOLIDAY RECESS

There will be an emergency evacuation drill on Friday, 12/21. All students will be released at 2:30 pm. School will be closed for all teachers and students from 12/24/2018 through 1/1/2019. School offices will be closed Tuesday, 12/25 and 1/1. Have a great holiday break!

CRAZY 8's MATH CLUB

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

FROM THE WPTSO:

A big thank you to everyone who visited our festive table (and bought a raffle ticket) for the WPTSO Basket Raffle – both during Christmas in Westport and the Holiday Concerts at WCS last week. Congratulations to our basket winners: Norma Arsenault, Kristin Kimball, Carol Schwoebel and Brenda Domer! Thanks also to all those students, parents and community members who perused & purchased at the Scholastic Book Fair! We raised enough money to provide each of the elementary grades with \$100 in Scholastic Dollars to buy new books/materials for their classrooms. **Teachers!** We are awarding classroom enrichment grants (up to \$500) for the 2018/19 school year. You can learn more and download an application at https://www.wptso.com/projects or ask Kristin Fiegl for a hard copy.



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 open 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: Please note that the Biddy Basketball Game Schedule is out and posted on the WYC Website. For specifics, please visit <u>www.westportyouth.org</u> Also, our practices for next week will be on Tuesday and Wednesday in the Auditorium. Practice times and teams are posted on our Google Calendar on our website.

~2019 Ski/Ride Program: Special thanks to Ashley Duke, Dana Marshall, and Jessie Duke for holding sign-ups for our 2019 Ski/Ride season. We have close to 40 youth signed up and several Chaperones!! That said, if your skier/rider has not signed up yet, please contact Ashley Duke on 608.633.8114 or at ashleyahanson@aol.com. Ashley is heading up the Program this winter and has to turn in ALL the registrations AND money to Whiteface by Dec 28th. After that the program is closed. The Sunday Dates for this year's program is listed on our website, please visit it.

~Ice Rink: We are awaiting consistent cold weather to build the Ice Rick. The ground has to completely frozen to support our huge plastic bed to support the ice. We plan on constructing the rink as soon as the ground is frozen.

~Summer Program Director: We are still seeking a Summer Program Director to replace Miss Vera Martin. The Summer Program runs for 6 weeks beginning the week of the 4th of July. Interested candidates, please send cover letter and resume/references to Ed Mason, Director Westport Youth Commission, 22 Champlain Ave., Westport, New York 12993.

LOOKING AHEAD.....

1/1	New Year's Day Holiday
1/2	Classes resume
1/7	Anticipated start date for Pre-Kindergarten class
1/10	Board of Education Meeting @ 6pm - Conf. Rm.
1/14-18	I-Ready Testing
1/21	Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
1/22-25	January Regents
1/25	Superintendent's Conference Day End of 2 nd Quarter Marking Period

