Principal’s Message:

It took awhile, but Spring is finally springing! As we look forward to some warmer weather, please have your child dress appropriately, according to Carrigan School’s dress code located in our Student Handbook.

The 5th grade students have worked hard to prepare for the upcoming CMT Science Test, April 19-21. We also continue to prepare for the Smarter Balanced Test, beginning on May 8th. While this test is challenging, we know our students will be prepared and ready to do their best.

It was a pleasure to see all the 6th grade families on ‘Heroes vs. Villians’ Family Mystery Night. We thank you for your donations to the WH Animal Shelter and we hope you had a blast … I know our staff certainly did!

This month, our 5th graders will all attend a field trip to the WH Military Museum and the Ward Heitmann House - courtesy of our Carrigan PTA. This great local trip really allows our staff and students to take advantage of West Haven’s own rich and storied history.

Lastly, please save the date to join us on Thursday, May 25th for the 2nd Annual Carrigan Festival of Arts, featuring food trucks, student projects and classroom exhibits galore.

Mr. Paolino and I would like to wish everyone a fun and relaxing April vacation.

Sincerely,

Rich Weber, Asst. Principal

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Wednesday, April 5th is a Staff Development Day. Students will dismiss at 12:40

Carrigan’s Spring Choral Concert will be held on April 26th at 6:30 p.m.
Congratulations to our Caring Cougars!


Our classrooms enjoyed ‘Read Across America Week’ and it’s daily Seuss-inspired themes.

It’s not too late to buy a Carrigan t-shirt in your Cluster color ...these are great to wear on spirit days and on field trips!

$12.00

- **Cluster A** Maroon (Mr. Bartone, Mrs. Cannon, Mr. Filippelli, Mrs. Freel)
- **Cluster B** Grey (Mrs. Chiappetta, Mr. Onofrio, Mrs. Rice, Mrs. Russello, Mr. Sitro)
- **Cluster C** Green (Ms. Barletta, Mrs. Blakeslee, Mrs. Gonzalez, Mr. Hildenbrandt, Mrs. Lennon)
- **Cluster D** Blue (Mrs. Carlson, Mr. Funaro, Mrs. Lucibello, Mrs. Virgalla)
- **Cluster E** Pink (Ms. Forbes, Ms. Morrell, Mrs. Pinkerton, Ms. Sasso, Mrs. Wyatt)
- **Cluster F** Yellow (Mrs. Adamo, Ms. Dady, Mr. Glagowski, Mrs. Tirollo)
- **Cluster H** Orange (Ms. Blake, Ms. Iuteri, Mrs. Marmelstein, Ms. Sacramone)
- **Cluster I** Purple (Ms. Clark, Mr. Gettings, Mr. Giglietti, Ms. Pitts)
- **Cluster J** Black (Mr. Adams, Mrs. Hanson, Mrs. Hemming, Ms. Marchitto)
- **Cluster K** Red (Mrs. Callahan, Ms. Esposito, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Skerritt)

This is on a first-come, first-served basis depending on the shirts in stock. Order forms can be found in the office.
5th Grade Field Trip

Our 5th grades will be taking field trips to the Ward Heitmann House and the WH Military Museum. These two historical landmarks are true jewels of our city, holding the keys to the great historical contributions of citizens who have gone before us, not only as productive members of our community, but as brave soldiers who fought for the freedom of their nation. Students will marvel at the artifacts inside the historic Ward Heitmann House. Students can find one of the original classrooms in our area along with historic furniture, toys and plenty of stories told by the docents of the House. These ladies bring our students on a magical tour, pointing out all of the significant stories, facts, and antiques.

Another place of pride for our city is the WH Military Museum, featuring hundreds of pieces of military history, exhibited in sections dating back to the Revolutionary War. Visitors will see letters, weaponry, pictures from the Civil War, a real tank from World War II, and amazing military and personal belongings that belonged to all of our American heroes from the Korean War through Vietnam, Iraq, and Afghanistan. It is a place for students to learn about the sacrifices that our men and women made years ago - and continue to make every day to keep our country free.

If your child’s class hasn’t yet gone on these field trips, please think about joining your 5th grader. Both museums will be visited in the same day. Buses will leave school at approximately 8:45 a.m. and return by 12:15 p.m. Parents are welcome to take the bus as chaperones or meet their child's class at the museums. They are right here in West Haven and if you've never visited either of these places, you are in for a treat!

Carrigan is proud of our Student Council members and their dedication to community service. They most recently volunteered their time at the food bank sponsored by Vertical Church.

Congratulations to our own Arin Bhandari who won the CT Spelling Bee and will represent CT at the National Bee in Washington D.C. … stupendous!