Principal's Message

There are so many wonderful activities that are happening this month for our Carrigan community. On Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 6:30, we will have the 5th grade Band Concert. The 6th grade concert will be on Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at 6:30. We will again be collecting toys that will be donated to Yale’s Children Hospital. The children who received these generous donations from us last year were beyond grateful and very happy to have some extra special holiday cheer! Speaking of being grateful, Carrigan students and families donated over 2,000 items to WHEAT! We cannot thank you enough for your continued generosity. All items collected will be used to help West Haven families in need during this holiday season.

Our STEM night was a great success! Over 100 attended and were able to learn how Math and Science are used side by side to solve problems and find solutions to everyday problems, and how we need reading strategies to reason and understand. We look forward to seeing you at our next family event, so be sure to listen for the phone blasts! Also, thank you all for helping our PTA with the Cherry Dale fundraiser. It was a great success and will help the students of Carrigan! Please be sure to participate in our other fundraisers that cost families little to no money such as Box Tops and their app, and registering your Shop Rite and Stop and Shop cards. Be on the lookout for the next fundraiser. The money raised help to fund enrichment programs and field trips.

Mr. Weber and I, along with all of our teachers and staff, would like to wish you all happy holidays and a very happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year!

Alicia Limosani
Assistant Principal

Inclement Weather

In the event school may have an early dismissal or be closed for the day, all households will receive a phone call through the automated School Messenger system or you can visit the district website: www.whschools.org.
Family Mystery Night for our 6th graders was held on October 26th and our staff and families had an awesomely frightening time!

Spirit Day
Friday, December 21st

The Carrigan Student Council will be holding a Toy Drive to benefit the toy closet at Yale New Haven’s Children’s Hospital. If you’d like to contribute, please send in a new, unwrapped toy between December 10 - 19 and help brighten the holidays for those patients.

Students can wear their ‘ugliest’ or most festive holiday sweater or clothing - Clusters will earn spirit points.
Congratulations to our latest Caring Cougars!


6th grade: Monserrat Acoltzi, Rayan Al Dulaimi, Alexandria Calvao, Dina Charachfi, April Corona, Krystal Diaz, Heather Fonda, Natalie Gallo, Emily Guthrie, Liznury Lantigua, Malik Ouro-Adei, Prem Patel, Noah Rader, Xochilt Ramirez, Alexa Rey, Jayda Stewart, Kittikhom Tighe, Logan Truncone, Maurizio Urriola, Kamai Wilson, Donald Woodson
The holidays came a bit early to Carrigan Intermediate School as they welcomed over 500 books collected by the Core Training Academy of Orange CT. The books were donated by the families and players of the CT Gators. The Gators baseball and softball players collected the books this fall and the members of the Gator leadership program sorted the books into age appropriate reading and grade levels prior to delivery. The books will bolster reading programs at Carrigan Intermediate School (grades 5 and 6) and certainly the 6 Elementary schools of West Haven. The CORE Training Academy strives to provide athletic, academic, and leadership opportunities in a community based model. The Gators are also currently assisting the WH BOE with their winter weather clothing drive.

Pictured from left to right are players Anthony Dadio, Trevor Knotwell, WH Reading Consultant Latanya Watts Joyner, Assistant Principal Alicia Limosani, Principal Rich Weber, and players Jack Weber and Matt Prete.

For more information about the Core Training Academy, please contact Director Bill Asermely at 203.903.3022 or check out www.coretrainingacademy.org

**Winter Recess Reading**

Snuggle up with a good book this winter and enjoy reading one of the titles below during your free time!

- The Fourteenth Goldfish by Jennifer L. Holm
- Pictures of Hollis Woods by Patricia Reilly Giff
- The Baby-Sitters Club (series)
- Amulet (series)
- Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis

**Carrigan Cares**

Many thanks to everyone who participated in the food drive - we were able to contribute 2,000 non-perishable food items to WHEAT!