Principal’s Message
It is already December and the Holiday Season is upon us … the months just seem to fly by!
Our annual Choral Concert that was originally scheduled for December 15th will need to be postponed until January 18th as the renovations of our auditorium are not yet complete. Our Drama presentation of “A Christmas Carol” is slated for December 21st. On the off chance that the auditorium is not ready, it will also be rescheduled till a later date in January.
We are still in need of 2 parents to join our School Governance Council. We meet one Thursday of every month at 6:00 p.m. - right before our regular PTA meetings. If you are interested in joining our Council, please email me at frank.paolino@whschools.org. The only stipulation is that you may not be a member of the PTA Executive Council.
Our Math/ELA/Science Night was a huge success. The many families who came enjoyed the inventive ways that were shown to enjoy Math, Language, and Science. We had 108 people come here that night. When we have the date finalized for our next family night, we hope to have even more in attendance.
The many collections that we hold for the various charities in our community have proven to be very successful as always. Carrigan Intermediate School is always praised for the help we give throughout the year. Our last donation to WHEAT at Thanksgiving time garnered a total of 2800 food items to help those who are in need. We are presently collecting toy donations for the Yale New Haven Children’s Hospital. The Carrigan community is the BEST - always willing to provide for those in need.
Mrs. Shirden, Mr. Weber, and the entire staff at Carrigan wish you a very safe, happy, and productive holiday season and a very prosperous New Year. Mr. Frank J. Paolino, 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.
Winter Recess

Reading Tips for Parents and Students:

Schedule a reading time or do a daily crossword puzzle to keep children focused and using their brain power.

Keep a journal- It provides writing practice and personal time.

Follow a festive recipe and bake together. This is great for Reading and Math practice.

Visit the local library. There are books for everyone in the family to read.

Get Ahead - start on upcoming projects and assignments. The holidays are hectic, but be sure to get enough sleep. You want to return to school rested and ready to work!

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6th grade
Physical Examinations

In accordance with State law and West Haven Board of Education policy, each 6th grade student is required to have a Health Assessment.

Completed physical examinations must be received by the nurse’s office before February 1, 2017 or the child will be excluded from school.

If you do not have a health care provider and have no insurance, please call the West Haven Health Department at 937-3660 and they can help you.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Carrigan School nurses office: 203-931-6867.

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The Carrigan Drama Club proudly presents ...

A Christmas Carol

Wednesday, December 21st
6:30 p.m.
$5.00
STEM Night (Science, Technology, ELA & Math) was held on November 10th. Over 100 parents and students attended this fun event where they visited Math, Science and ELA station for 30 minutes each.

While exploring the Math stations, they were able to use the Weather Channel app to research other cities’ temperatures in order to solve math problems. For ELA, students and their families learned from the Daily 5 Literacy Stations (Read to Self, Read to Someone, Listen to Reading, Word Work & Writing).

The Science stations took families on a journey of discovery into the world of constellations of the Winter Sky. Parents and students created 'Sky Wheels' which they can use at home to identify the amazing images of our Night Sky. Some lucky families even left with free raffle prizes and goodie bags!
Carrigan Cares!

Over 2,800 food items were donated to WHEAT thanks to the food drive sponsored by our Student Council. We are grateful to our Student Council members and advisors (pictured above) for their hard work in helping to provide for families in need.

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 help, please send in a **new, unwrapped** toy between **December 5-16** and help to make the holidays brighter for the patients.