Principals' Message

As Carrigan storms into the end of the 2nd marking period, we have a lot to celebrate and even more for which we are thankful. Our canned and non-perishable food drive and our holiday toy drive, two of our biggest service efforts, are featured in this newsletter.

These incredible efforts of giving could not happen without a united effort from our staff, students, and Carrigan families. This year, we delivered over a truckload of food to the West Haven Emergency Assistance Task Force (WHEAT) and helped to replenish and restock their food pantry after the Thanksgiving holiday. Our Student Council members then had the chance to drop off more than 500 toys to the Yale New Haven Children’s Hospital toy closet. When Carrigan families have an opportunity to give back to their community, we ALWAYS do.

Along with a very well attended Science, Technology, ELA, and Math night, we also hosted two holiday concerts for our beginner band and our chorus students. Both nights played to packed houses and our families left impressed and full of holiday cheer. Congratulations to our fine arts staff and all the students that took part in the performances.

Lastly, in an ongoing effort to increase school safety and security, please always use the front door when visiting the school. Our top-notch main office staff will assist you from that point with whatever you may need. Thanks in advance for working with us as we continue to keep our student and staff safety at the forefront of our daily activities.

Ms. Limosani and I wish you continued health and happiness in 2018.

Rich Weber, Principal

January 2018 Calendar

| School Re-opens  | 2 |
| Intermediate Band Winter Concert 6:30 p.m. | 9 |
| Staff Development Day ~ Students dismiss at 12:40 | 10 |
| No School ~ Dr. Martin Luther King Day | 15 |
| Caring Cougar assemblies 6th grade/9:15 5th grade/10:40 | 19 |

Stormy Weather

In the event that school may be delayed or closed early due to inclement weather … PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE SCHOOL! You can check the school system website www.whschools.org or wait for the broadcast from the emergency phone system that will call all students’ homes. We appreciate your cooperation.
On December 13th, our students enjoyed motivational assemblies made possible by West Haven’s Youth & Family Services division. Basketball player Ilze Luneau dribbled, juggled and spun basketballs while on a balance board. She involved student volunteers from the audience and made connections between elements of her performance and the importance of setting goals, working hard, practicing, never giving up, and having fun.

If you’d like to see some of her amazing talent, please visit: www.familybasketball.com
Congratulations to our Caring Cougars!

5th grade:  Russel Basaen, Keara Chiong, April Corona, Brody DiNuzzo, Owen Fletcher, Easton Galik, Tyler Geer, Lina Giron, Alyssa Hernandez, Erik Jiang, Sophie Mazuroski, Valeria Munoz, Alexandria Nunes, Caleb Oakes, Isabella Quiroz, Xochilt Ramirez, Magaly Romero, Anthony Turtzo, Kyle Walker, Justin Woychowski

Our Student Council has been busy helping our community. Over 3,000 food items were donated to WHEAT for the holidays and almost 500 toys to the Toy Closet program at Yale!

Our Classrooms got into the holiday spirit with a fun door decorating contest.

Our Beginner Band and Chorus helped to ring in the season!