Principal’s Message:
Spring has finally sprung! As we continue to anticipate warmer weather, please have your child dress appropriately and follow the school’s dress code located in the Carrigan Student Handbook. The Smarter Balanced Pep Rally was a huge success and a great way to kick off the testing with a live concert from the SporX and an appearance by many ‘celebrity’ guests. The staff provided the students with test taking strategies and words of encouragement. The 5th grade students have worked hard and completed the CMT Science Test, while students and teachers in both grades continue on with the Smarter Balanced testing. Although there are some challenging skills on the test, please continue to encourage your child to try his or her best.

It was a pleasure to see all the parents attend Parent Visiting Night on March 24th. Please do not hesitate to contact your child’s classroom teacher or our guidance department if you have any questions about grades. The 4th marking period has already begun and we would like all the students to continue to work hard to enhance their academic and social growth.

Mr. Paolino, Mr. Weber and I are always here to answer any concerns or questions that you may have.

Yours Truly,
Twana Shirden, Assistant Principal

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Please join us for the Carrigan Drama Club production of:

Disney’s Aladdin, Jr.

Wednesday, April 29th
6:30 p.m. ~ $5.00
5th Grade Field Trip

This month the 5th grades will be taking a field trip 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.

Think about joining your 5th grader on this wonderful field trip. Both museums will be visited in the same day. Buses will leave school at approximately 8:45 a.m. and return by 12:30 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!

Hoops for Heart .... raised $2,300.00 for the American Heart Association! Over 50 students participated in basketball activities. Pictured here are the free throw challenge winners:

Ben Carroll
Neve Krajcir
Madison Lentine
Dylan Supan
Our classrooms celebrated 'Read Across America Week' by decorating their doors in honor of Dr. Seuss’ Birthday.

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. Chiappetta, Mrs. Freel, Mrs. Virgalla)
Cluster B  **Grey**  (Mrs. Cannon, Mr. Filippelli, Mrs. Rice, Mrs. Russello, Mr. Sitro)
Cluster C  **Green**  (Ms. Barletta, Mrs. Blakeslee, Mrs. Gonzalez, Mr. Hildenbrandt, Ms. Launder)
Cluster D  **Blue**  (Mrs. Carlson, Mr. Funaro, , Mrs. Lucibello, Mrs. Wyatt)
Cluster E  **Pink**  (Mrs. DeMaio, Ms. Finn, Mrs. Judd, Ms. Morrell, Ms. Sasso)
Cluster G  **Yellow**  (Mrs. Adamo, Ms. Dady, Mr. Glagowski, Mrs. Tirollo)
Cluster H  **Orange**  (Ms. Blake, Ms. Iuteri, Mrs. Marmelstein, Ms. Sacramone)
Cluster I  **Purple**  (Mr. Gettings, Mr. Giglietti, Mr. Onofrio, Mrs. Pedersen)
Cluster J  **Black**  (Mrs. Callahan, Mrs. Hanson, Mrs. Skerritt, Ms. Pitts)
Cluster K  **Red**  (Mr. Adams, Ms. Esposito, Mrs. Hemming, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Roche)

Order forms can be picked up in the office.
Carrigan kicked off the annual testing period with a pep rally that included a team building hula hoop relay race, a ‘celebrity’ filled game show, and an appearance by The SporX, Carrigan’s All-Star band, who rocked the house with their original anthem ‘Born to be Awesome’. Students also viewed surprise videos of staff dancers and a reading of the classic Oh, the Places You’ll Go. In celebration of ‘Pi Day’, Mr. Weber got one in the face from pi math challenge winner Caitlin Welch.