



THE WHISTLE – OCTOBER 9th, 2016
WIS PTO NEWSLETTER #6

WIS SCHOOL & EVENTS CALENDAR:

October 12	NO SCHOOL – Yom Kippur
October 13	Joint WIS/HES PTO General Meeting 9:30am @ WIS
October 15	WIS/HES Family Photo Day Fundraiser
October 24	WIS Book Fair
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November 9	Joint WIS/HES PTO General Meeting 9:30 am @ HES
November 10	DELAYED OPENING - K-8 Conferences
November 11	EARLY DISMISSAL - K-8 Conferences
November 14	DELAYED OPENING - K-8 Conferences
November 23	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Recess
November 24	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Recess
November 25	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Recess



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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

Join us on Monday, October 10th to help cheer on the Weston High School Boy's Soccer Team. 7 pm, lower turf field.

Our next General PTO Meeting, which is a joint meeting with the Hurlbutt PTO, is Thursday, October 13th, at 9:30 am at WIS. Dr. Tunks will be joining us; updating us on technology in the district and how it will benefit our students at WIS.

Preceding that meeting is a Philanthropy meeting at 9 am.

Lastly, don't forget to sign up to help out during the Book Fair. Please see article below.

Have a great week and enjoy the holiday,

Tammy Roberts

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We had a very busy philanthropy meeting this past Thursday: 3 requests!!! The committee reviewed and approved 2 requests. The first request approved was for a maximum of \$1,000 for the purchase of sensory items (fidget bands and had exercisers) for each WIS classroom. The other approved request was for the purchase of a cello and a bass storage rack for \$1,700 total.

The third request for approx. \$6,500 for enhancements to the new maker space in the Library Learning Commons (LLC), was tabled to allow time for the request to be refined and for further discussion. There will be another philanthropy meeting on Thurs Oct13th at 9am to address this request. I'm hoping to have the meeting in the maker space. I will post a notice at the security desk to confirm meeting location.

All of these requests must be approved by the general membership in order to proceed. I hope you'll be able to join me on Thurs. Regards – Gina

WIS YEARBOOK

WIS YEARBOOK ON SALE NOW

2016–2017 WIS Yearbooks are on sale now! This year we are offering an early bird special with our 2016 pricing of \$28. Order now and don't delay. Ordering online is the quickest and most efficient way to to order. The yearbook will be at our lowest price, \$28 until December 31st 2016. The price will go up as of January 1st 2017, so don't miss the opportunity to order now.

Go to www.coffeepond.com and click on “Yearbook”. The password is “wolves”. Click online order. Please save your confirmation email from Lifeguards. If you can not remember if you ordered a yearbook, you can input your email address under the yearbook tab and it will let you know.

Yearbooks can also be personalized. There is a \$10 charge from Coffeepond for this feature.

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The 2016–17 Yearbook is collecting baby pictures of our current 5th Graders. This is a special layout planned for our “graduating” students and we need your help to complete the project.

Parents, we need you to provide your child’s most adorable baby picture for the yearbook. We are asking that the picture be within their first year, and have no one else included in the photo.

Please email a high resolution photo to Christine Harris at crizpto@yahoo.com. Please include your child’s full name and teacher in the subject line.

If you are unable to email a picture, please email me, so we can work out an alternative. This project will be a lot of fun for the kids, so we need 100% participation. We ask that all photos please be submitted by December 16th.

WIS / HES FAMILY PHOTO DAY FUNDRAISER:

Last Chance to Sign up, only a few spots left:

WIS/HES PTO is sponsoring Family Photography Day with Jen Goldberg Photography. Jen Goldberg, a professional portrait photographer, is donating her time and talent to benefit the WIS/ HES PTO’s. Family Photo Day allows you to have portraits of your family created at Weston Town Hall and support the WIS/HES PTO!

Family Photo Day will be October 15th at Weston Town Hall from 9am–4pm. (Pets welcome)

Please sign up for your 20 minute photography session to take advantage of this spectacular offer. The sitting fee for each 20 minute session is \$50.

Time slots and direct payment is available on the WIS PTO Website [CLICK HERE](#)

It's a Bookaneer Book Fair – Where books are the treasure!

Please get out your calendars and sign up to help make this year's book fair a huge success. All volunteer opportunities are just a click away on Sign up Genius. We can't have this event without your help!

Opportunities to volunteer begin on Thursday, October 20th with Set Up, and the Teacher Preview Luncheon will be held on Friday, October 21st. Then beginning on Monday, October 24 through Wednesday, October 26, the children will attend with their class. Specific times for your teachers will follow... All are welcome!

Please [click here](#) for the Sign Up Genius Link

As we have in years past, we will provide a lunch for the teachers on October 21st as they preview the book fair and select a wish list of books they would like for their classroom. This year we are asking for monetary donations to offset the cost of this lunch. Any amount you can donate is greatly appreciated.

Please [click here](#) for the link to monetary donations.

** Book Fair Special Events to make note of:

All For Books – Donate your loose change the week of October 10–14 to benefit a Cesar Batalla school in Bridgeport as well as help build our own classroom libraries.

Coffee for All! – The book fair will open at 7:30 for you to enjoy the book fair with your child on Wednesday October 26th.

We appreciate any help you can give. Please contact one of the co-chairs with any questions:

Jen Morse: jlmorse724@gmail.com

Lisa Lewis: lisa@lewisfamilyct.com

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WIS SPIRITWEAR T-SHIRTS

WIS Pride T-Shirts On Sale Now

Show your WIS Pride by wearing our 100% cotton, pre-shrunk T-shirt. You may order WIS Pride T-Shirts on-line through the WIS PTO Website. Payment is by credit card and shirts will be delivered to your child in school. Please allow a few days for processing.

T-Shirts come in child (S,M,L) and adult (S,M,L,XL,XXL) sizes. Cost is \$10.

[CLICK HERE](#) to order on-line.

For more information, contact Darcy Barrera-Hawes (d.barrera@outlook.com)

HES & WIS TROJAN SOCCER FAMILY FUN NIGHT:

All Hurlbutt and Weston Intermediate School Families please join us tomorrow for a great night with friends and family as we cheer on our Weston Boys Varsity Soccer team!

Tomorrow Monday, October 10th, 7pm on the lower turf field. Show your Weston pride by wearing your Weston colors!

There is no admission fee and the Booster barn will be open for snacks. Any questions, please contact Marlo Villepigue at marlov16@aol.com.

See you at the game! GO TROJANS!

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Travel Team Tryouts for Grades 4 – 8, for both boys and girls.

The tryout schedule for the 2016–17 season is now online. There is no fee to try out, but we players need to sign up in advance. There are tryout sessions for each grade. You have until midnight the day before your first tryout to sign up.

Attendance at both sessions is mandatory. Missing one tryout session is not disqualifying, but it may put the player at a disadvantage. Players who miss both tryout sessions without a valid medical excuse will not be considered. Please address any questions to westonbasketballassociation@gmail.com

[CLICK HERE](#) to register.

WESTON EDUCATION FOUNDATION:

WESTON EDUCATION FOUNDATION PRESENTS: TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday, Nov. 5th 6:30 pm; Norfield Parish Hall, 64 Norfield Road

Hosted by John Seigenthaler (Former news anchor at Al Jazeera America, NBC and MSNBC)

Dinner by AMG Catering (BYOB)

Great food and great fun for a great cause!

\$125 per person—everyone is welcome to this community event in support of our schools. Space is limited and tables sell out quickly! To book your tickets [CLICK HERE](#).

Or go to Westoneducationfoundation.org and click on the Trivia Night button or mail checks payable to the Weston Education Foundation to:

WEF, PO Box 1093, Weston, CT 06883

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WMS OKTOBERFEST

Aspetuck Valley Country Club

Friday, October 21, 2016

7:00 pm

\$95 per ticket (2 drink tickets included with each ticket).

You can purchase extra drink tickets in advance or purchase tickets at the event; mixed drinks = 2 tickets, Wine = 2 tickets, Beer = 1 ticket

Featuring Great Venue, Great Music, and Unique Auction Items. Heavy & Light Cuisine for all Tastes.

"Come as you Are" attire (just no jeans).

A fantastic menu of beers will be offered, plus wine and soft drinks with your drink tickets.

Please come out & support our biggest fundraiser of the year to help us raise money to enhance our children's educational experience.

[Click here](#) for more information and to order tickets online.

WMS PTO Fundraising Committee Co-Chairs

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WESTON GIRL SCOUTS

A new 4th grade Girl Scout troop is in the process of forming. Please email Kristen Abreu at westongirlscouts@gmail.com if your daughter is interested in joining. At Girl Scouts, girls are

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friends and have a ton of new experiences that show you how exciting the world is, and how awesome you are, over and over again. Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

SCARE FAIR:

WESTON GIRL SCOUT SCARE FAIR SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29TH, 12-4PM AT THE WESTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY. RAIN DATE: OCTOBER 30TH.

Come join us for the 26th annual Weston Scare Fair on, Saturday, October 29th from 12:00 Noon to 4:00 p.m. at the Weston Historical Society's beautiful grounds for a family friendly Halloween event. Costumes are strongly encouraged! Rain date is Sunday, October 30th.

There will be games and prizes for children of all ages, a fire truck, a bounce house, and a silent auction. We will have live entertainment by Jay & Ray. Food will be available for purchase from Valencia Lucheria.

All profits from the fair go directly to Girl Scout programming. Your support of the fair helps to enhance the Girl Scout experience by providing us with the means to organize community service and leadership opportunities, outdoor adventures, life survival skills, and so much more. Our goal is to empower girls to reach their fullest potential while building a better world.

For more information contact us at: westongirlscouts@gmail.com

WESTON REGISTRAR OF VOTERS:

Important Voting Information from Weston Registrars of Voters

Election Day is November 8th, the polls will be open at Weston Middle School Gymnasium from 6 am until 8 pm. Voter parking and entrance are located at the back of the school.

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Absentee Ballots will be available October 7 to November 7 at the Town Clerks Office. Applications for absentee ballots are available now, they must be signed by the registered voter and submitted to the Town Clerk. For an absentee ballot application and requirements regarding absentee voting, please visit the Town of Weston

Website: <http://www.westonct.gov/media/file/WebsiteupdateNovember2016electionREVISED3.pdf>

Town Hall will be closed in observance of Columbus Day on Monday, Oct. 10.

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If you have something for The Whistle newsletter:

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- It is your responsibility to write and submit your relevant WIS activity.
- All submissions should be in WORD format and the content should be print-ready. Please keep it simple and short.
- If you have a flyer please submit a brief write-up along with it in PDF format and we will link it to the newsletter.
- Please send all necessary links, there will be a click "here" linking to the more detailed information.
- If you want to re-run a write-up from the previous week, check to see if it requires updating, i.e. changing the wording from "next week" to "this week", etc. If so, please make appropriate changes and re-send the revised write-up

All submission should be sent to:

wisptocommunications@westonpspto.org

All submissions will be acknowledged.

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