A message from Supt. Daly.............

After a long, cold and snow-filled winter, we have turned the corner into April. And, although the past few weeks have been chilly, local weather forecasts predict temps in the 60’s this Friday. Let’s hope spring is finally here!

As you read through the next few pages, you will see that the past few weeks have been extremely busy. From group events to individual competitions – our students have excelled in academics, the arts, and athletics. These accomplishments represent many hours of study, creativity, and commitment in reaching such tremendous levels of achievement. And, as always, our students represent their school and their communities in the highest light!

Please remember that Friday, April 13th is a scheduled day off for both students and staff. Spring school vacation follows from April 16th through April 20th.

We hope you will be able to rest and enjoy this break before we gear up for a busy end of the year!
ON-THE-SPOT RECOGNITIONS

Students, teachers, staff, and community members exhibiting “Warrior Pride”.
Thank you for making our schools shine!

Students-
Wells Elementary School

- **Odyssey of the Mind Teams** – (Grades 3 – 5)
  Div. 1 and Div. 2 teams both placed 1st at the State tournament on Saturday, April 7th! The Teams have qualified to compete at the World Finals at Iowa State University in May.
  
  Congratulations!

  **OM Team Members** –
  WES: Ben Copleman - Gr 3; Helen Lee and Owen Shangraw -Gr 4.

Wells Junior High School –

- **Spencer Tyler** – Grade 8 – although he was rushing to get to his destination on time, Spencer stopped to help a delivery person who had dropped several items while coming in the school’s front door. He asked if the person was “ok” and then assisted with the packages.

- **Brady Fox** – Grade 8 – while putting on his sneakers before a 6am basketball practice, Brady took the time to chat with a younger, 5th grade student who was new to Wells and the school.

- **Arianna Leighton** – Grade 8 – exhibits kindness every day!

Wells High School –

- **Brian Hayden** – Grade 11 - recently received a Silver Medal in the “Skills USA” competition via his studies at Sanford Regional Technical Center. Brian is enrolled in the Heavy Equipment course. Congratulations, Brian!

- **Zoe Clark & Natalie Hanagan** – Grade 9 – were selected as Silver Key winners in the 2018 Maine Scholastic Writing Awards competition. The Scholastic Writing Awards are the nation’s longest-running and most prestigious recognition program for creative teens in Grades 7-12.

  Congratulations, Zoe and Natalie!

- **Katrin Spainhour** – Grade 12 – Katrin was one of 11 students from SRTC’s Business program to compete in the annual Junior Achievement Titan Challenge held at the University of New England. At this day-long business strategy competition, students highlight their skills in creativity, finance, collaboration, and strategy and leadership. Katrin, along with her three teammates, came away with the regional top score! Congratulations, Katrin!
Fourth graders join in Red Nose Day

Fourth grade STRETCH students have joined other school groups around the world in the national fundraising campaign Red Nose Day.

Since its launch in 2015, Red Nose Day in the U.S. has raised over $100 million, positively impacting the lives of more than 8.3 million children living in poverty. Money raised through this campaign has supported programs in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and 34 countries internationally. As little as $100 provides a month of meals for 12 children, immunizations for 10 children, and a safe place for after school for at least 10 children, as well as, clean water, school supplies, shelter and clothing.

Working with other fourth graders, the WES Red Nose Team will be at the WES Family Fun Run on May 6, offering Red Nose pins they have crafted, games they have created and baked goodies (all red, of course!).

Events such as these that extend the WES Core Values to people across the globe bring lifelong learning to all!

Girls Travel Basketball brings home the gold!

The next time you’re in Wells Elementary School, take a look at the shiny new trophy on display!

The Wells Grade 3&4 Girls Travel Basketball team brought home the gold as they were named the Wells and Seabrook Tournament champions.

Coached by Heidi Fazzina and AJ Dufort, the team’s overall season record was 26-5.

Congratulations to the team!

WES Recognized by US Marine Corps

Students and staff at Wells Elementary School were presented with a “Challenge Pin” by the US Marine Corps. During the Christmas holidays, the students accepted donations of food, games, and gifts and created care packages that were sent to over 44 troops overseas.

According to the Corps, the Pin (battalion pin) is awarded in recognition of gratitude and is considered a very special honor!
Wells Junior High School

WJHS names Students of the Month

Students of the Month
March 2018
Hayden Meffert
Elana Vennard
Dante Dinardi
Nathan Malloy
Marina Molina
Maren Maxon
Reese Murphy
William Huffaker
Corbin Allen
Kayla Rollins

Bridges students share kindness with Wells PD

As part of their Kindness Project, members of the WJHS Bridges class donated several stuffed animals to the Wells Police Department that will be used to comfort children in crisis.

WPD Cpl. Timothy Cetrano, WPD Chief Putnam, with students Kayden Hutchins and Jeff Sweeney

Annual
Lip Sync Contest
Fri., May 11th ---- Ward Gymnasium----7:00pm
Wells High School

And, the winner is............................................

The annual Mr. WHS competition is a fun night where contestants are judged on talent, confidence, and composure on stage.

Congratulations to Senior Mitch Libby who was crowned Mr. WHS 2018.

Senior Christian Saulnier was selected as runner-up and Freshman Kai Rosenberg was chosen as Mr. Congeniality.

This annual event is sponsored by Student Council.

Winter Guard hosts State Finals

Winter Guard teams from around the State compete

On Sunday, April 8th, the Ronco Gymnasium was filled with fans as the WHS Winter Guard A and B teams welcomed other guard teams from around the state to the 2018 State Finals competition.

Sixteen units performed in the competition - the WHS B Team finished with a silver medal and a 4-star rating.

The WHS A Team was the only Maine group to receive a perfect score of 5 stars in every category and a gold medal!

Congratulations to all the performers!
WHS Art students design shoes
Students create colorful designs on footwear

Upon acceptance to the Vans Custom Culture competition, WHS Art students received two pair of blank shoes from Vans Shoes challenging the students to design shoes around two themes: Local Flavor and Off the Wall (Vans branding).

Trimester 2 Beginning Art and Drawing classes created sample designs. Nine students volunteered to review the submissions and create the final drafts. In addition to the designs, the students also submitted an Impact Document sharing how the school, its students, and their communities might benefit from winning $75,000 for their arts programs.

If chosen, as the grand prize winning school, WHS students would receive a celebration event, the winning funds and custom codes for the design team. If chosen as one of four runner-up schools, they would receive $10,000 and a limited-edition Vans gift.

Vans will notify the school by April 20th if they are one of the top 50 that will continue on in the contest.
WOACE joins others at Maine “Hall of Flags”

Adult Education departments from around the state gathered on Tuesday, April 10th at the State House in Augusta to present and share program curriculum and enrichment offerings.

Speakers included State Director of Adult Education, Gail Senese; Senator Brian Langley; Senator Nate Libby; and several adult ed students.

If you can dream it, you can basket-weave it!

On March 28th, participants in an Adult Ed basket-weaving class created works of art in just three hours!

Under the direction of Martha Chessie, students combined raw materials and their talents to create a Confetti Bowl basket.

Want to try your hand at basket weaving?

Just sign up for the next class offered on May 1st!

FMI- call 646-4565 or go to their website at http://wells-ogunquit.maineadulted.org/
NATIONAL SCREEN-FREE WEEK AT WES
April 30 - May 6, 2018
Challenge yourself to No Screen Time outside of school work—unplug the TV, game systems, computers, tablets, & phone apps.

Parents included—set an example for your kids! Find family activities to do.

Certificates will be awarded to those who participate all week!

Wait & see how the principal will celebrate if lots of families participate. More info is coming...

LISTEN TO THE RADIO.
WRITE A LETTER. VOLUNTEER.
PAINT A PICTURE.
PLANT A GARDEN.
READ A BOOK. SHOOT HOOPS.
GO SWIMMING.
MAKE A PUPPET SHOW.
REDECORATE YOUR HOUSE.
MAKE COOKIES. PLAY TAG.
FLY A KITE. GO FOR A HIKE.
PLAY CARDS. MAKE A FORT.
HAVE A DANCE PARTY.
START A ROCK BAND.
BIKE RIDE. WRITE A PLAY.

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