A message from Supt. Daly

As we approach the end of this school year, we look forward to the many annual events that take place in each school. Concerts, field trips, Colors Day, 8th Grade Recognition Night and, of course, WHS Graduation.

Historically, the top ten graduates of the senior class are selected prior to graduation. This year I am extremely proud to acknowledge the academic excellence of these ten seniors that will graduate with top honors:

Class of 2018
Top Ten Graduates

Valedictorian - Estelle Reardon
Anya Chase - Salutatorian

Kylie Belanger
Olivia Durfee
Raven Goodell
Leah Tufts
Channing Wang

Mitchell Libby
Megan Schneider
Madison Szczypiel

Congratulations to these students and their families on this tremendous achievement!

Also a tradition this year of time, is having our very talented school bands and color guard participate in the annual Memorial Day parades in Wells and Ogunquit. (The Wells Parade will begin at 9am followed by the Ogunquit Parade at 11am). It is truly an honor for our students to be included in these solemn ceremonies that pay tribute to our many fallen heroes.

On behalf of the WOCSD, I would like to wish you all a restful and reflective holiday weekend.

Important Dates

SCHOOL BUDGET MTG
Wednesday, June 6th

BUDGET VALIDATION REFERENDUM
Tuesday, June 12th

Events -

- WES-Grds 3&4 Recorder Concert
  Thursday, May 24th – 11:15am
  Gymnasium

- WES- Kindergarten Screenings
  Tues-Wed – May 29th & 30th
  NO SCHOOL FOR BK & K

- WJHS – Parent Info Night—Incoming Gr 5
  Wednesday May 23rd – 6:30pm
  Multi-Purpose Room

- WHS / WJHS— (combined)
  Spring Chorus Concert
  Wednesday, May 30th – 7:00pm
  Olenn Performing Arts Center

- WHS – Academic Awards
  Wednesday, June 6th – 5:30pm
  Olenn Performing Arts Center

- WHS – Ice Cream Social
  Wednesday, June 6th – 6:30-7pm

- WHS – Spring Athletic Awards
  Wednesday, June 6th – 7:00pm
  Ronco Gymnasium

Early Release

Wednesdays...

- Discontinued for remainder of the school year
ON-THE-SPOT RECOGNITIONS

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

Faculty and Staff

- **Sandy Brennan** – was recently recognized at the Barn Gallery Art Museum in Ogunquit for her 40+ years’ involvement in submitting student artwork displayed at the museum!

- **Henry Ingwersen** – arranged the *Weather at Your School* visit from WMTW-Channel 8 on May 15th.

Students

Wells Elementary School –

- **Aryan Sawant - Grade 1** - Aryan Sawant came home with 3 medals at the 2018 Heart of Massachusetts Taekwondo Tournament. He was awarded a gold in “forms”, a gold in “breaking”, and a silver in “sparring”. The event was held on May 20th at the Auburn High School in Auburn, MA. This October he will be testing for his 1st degree Black Belt!

  Congratulations, Aryan!

Wells Junior High School –

- **Kathryn Gilbert – Grade 8** – proved she is a model citizen and student by going above and beyond during her lunch by helping school staff. Kathryn demonstrates the school’s core values of Responsibility, Trustworthiness, Respect, Honesty, and Caring each day!

  Nice job, Kathryn!

Wells High School –

- **Fiona Grady, Katie Plourde, Summer Sayward, Matt Chase, Summer Shaw, Kadia Thompson, Parker McDermott, and Mitchel Stapleton** – all were named *Students of the Trimester* for Third Trimester.

  Congratulations!

- **Alexandra Chase – Grade 11** - was selected to attend the *Student Art Institute* at Haystack School of Crafts in Deere Isle, Maine from May 18th – 20th.

  Congratulations, Alexandra!
Volunteers - helping others and changing lives

Student volunteers at Wells Elementary School

Junior High students volunteered one day each week:

Ellie Moore
Tanyon Male
Maya Connor
Maren Maxon
Grace Richard
Ava Belanger
Lily Tomaszewski
Angelina DeMarco
Tory Chase
Jeremy Therrien
Nolan Mottor
Jaiden Male
Hailey Marshall
Lila Sprague
Jessica Palmer
Elizabeth Nichols
Brycen Bowden
Zeke Dennis
Gage Sargent
Teagan Hludik
Emily Mills
Natalie Blaisdell
Derek Martin
Anne Michelle Randl
Chloe Madsen
Mariana Molina
Calista Leighton
Lily Drake
Kayla Rollins
Natalie Botolino
Anna Wilson

Damien Kimball
Erin Norbert
Ethan Roberts
Reese Murphy-Busl
Nathan Yandell
Jada Pullen
Brandon Wallingford
Jonathan Martinez
Sean Gilbert
Chase Lunetta
Evan Peterson
Quentin Ackerson
Kendall Maxon
Jasmine Cogliano
Tanner Fifield
Kyle Corbett
Emma Grace Lear
Hailey Diefenbach
Elana Vennard
Bobby Lucas
Izzy Leslie-Stapleton
Landon Jacobson-Theriault
Lilian Sittig
Savannah Tardiff
Delani Brown
Nolan Brown
Alex Finn

WHS Volunteers:
Aiden Drake
Emily Jarvis
Hailey Morrison
Aiden Drake
Kim Yurga
Heidi Fortin
Jadelyn Botolino

When you give yourself, you receive more than you give.
Antoine de Saint-Exupery

ACORNS TO OAKS
MENTORING PROGRAM
Wells High School students are matched with Wells Elementary School students in a Big Brother/Big Sisters relationship meeting weekly throughout the school year.

This year’s matches were: Jaden Poulin and Sean Ella Poulin and Kailyne Gwen Wallingford and Elizabeth Avery Hubbard and Aiden

F.L.A.G.S
Foreign Language Awareness for Grade Schoolers (French class for 4th graders)
Wells High School students volunteered to teach French to Gr. 4 students in an after-school program in March. Students learned greetings, colors, numbers, letters and feelings by playing games and singing songs.

WHS student “teachers” were: Abigale Vigue, Emily Morrison, and James Luttrell

Heartfelt THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!
Wells Elementary School

Students in Grade 3 learn about weather

On May 15th, students in Grade 3 were visited by WMTW-TV Meteorologist, Tyler Cadorette. The group spent the morning talking about and asking questions about weather – and especially thunderstorms! Students, Eliza Arwood and Lee Rollins also helped with the evening weather report!

To view the entire video, please click below:
http://www.wmtw.com/article/weather-at-your-school-wells-elementary/20709611
Most Improved Students to be honored at game
Students recognized by Portland Sea Dogs

The Portland Sea Dogs and Maine's NextGen College Investing Plan ® will honor Wells Elementary and other area students for being their classes’ “Most Improved Student”. The students received a complimentary ticket to the Sea Dogs home game on June 10th and will be presented a certificate from the Sea Dogs recognizing their accomplishment. The students will also be recognized in a pre-game ceremony and have their name displayed on the outfield scoreboard!

Congratulations to:

Noah Babich  
Jacob Barry  
Nathan Bohn  
Calob Brouillard  
Connor Brown  
Christopher Buckley  
Cami Chase  
Ella Ciorra  
Gracey Copper  
Alex Curtis  
James Curtis  
Haley Delisle  
Wyatt Devoe  
Adriana Ducharme  
Landon Fifield  
John Guy  
Colby Haskell  
Camden Heath  
Meghan Kaszubinski  
Quinn Ledoux  
Allie McDonough  
Wyatt Mynes  
Andrew Parker  
Anokhi Patel  
Chase Pullen  
Isabelle Randle  
Michael Sargent  
Camden Springer  
Sophia Wilson

32nd Annual Jump Rope for Heart -

The numbers are in...over $13,000 raised!

WES students raised $13,034.21 in the 2018 Jump Rope for Heart event

This an update to the Feb. 15th article on the WES's Jump Rope for Heart event...........

In the 31 years of sponsoring this event, the students and communities of Wells and Ogunquit have raised over $200,000.00 for the American Heart Association. The jump rope unit taught within the WES physical education curriculum reinforces the importance of living a healthy lifestyle, learning individual and small group jumping skills, as well as the importance of working as team.

The “jump-a-thon” is the culminating event that promotes physical fitness and provides our students with the opportunity to participate in a community service.
Breakfast of Champions
Core Value Awards presented to students

Fifty-eight (58) students gathered for a *Breakfast of Champions* event at Wells Elementary School last week where they received *Core Value Awards*.

WES faculty/staff select award recipients based on the student’s demonstration of:

- Respect
- Responsibility
- Honesty
- Trustworthiness
- Compassion

Among those presented awards were:


Special Olympians bring home the gold!

The WES Special Olympic team travelled to Yarmouth Middle School on Friday, May 11th to participate in the 2018 Special Olympics.

After competing in games, they explored fire trucks and ambulances.

Everybody participated and had wonderful time!
Wells Junior High School

WJHS Cup Club

Learning Life Skills one cup at a time

The Cup Club was created in hopes of developing several aspects of life skills – every aspect of this “business” is done by students - including clean up, restocking supplies, helping with ordering and purchasing items at a local grocery store.

More importantly, it provides an opportunity for these students to develop social skills and interactions with other students and staff throughout the school.

Any profits from sales are used for additional supplies, field trips and special projects in the Bridges program. The program is run and maintained by the students with the guidance of school staff.

Jeff Sweeney fills coffee orders for faculty and staff at WJHS

Ben Beisswanger makes deliveries
Wells High School

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The ten students were guests of honor at a banquet held on Tuesday, May 15th at Jonathan’s Restaurant in Ogunquit.

Wrestlers help “one of their own”

Throughout the winter sports season, members of the WHS Wrestling Team raised funds in honor of Spencer Smith, a little 3-year old boy who has been diagnosed with a rare, incurable neurological disease – Sanfilippo syndrome.

Each wrestler gathered pledges of donations that they earned by their victories during matches.

On May 20th, the Team presented the Smith family with a check in the amount of $12,410.75 to the Sanfilippo Foundation to aid in research.

Spencer’s dad, Nate, is a WHS alumnus and was a member of the WHS Wrestling Team during high school.
Adult Education

Renoir and Monet, move over........
Learn the basics - create a work of art!

"Impressionism for Beginners: The Outdoor Still Life"

See the world as your favorite Impressionist painters did!

Learn the basics of oil painting, including how to lay out a palette, mix colors, and how to render the nuance of color and natural light.

Classes will be held outdoors weather permitting. No previous experience necessary.

FMI – call 646-4565 or go to their website at http://wells-ogunquit.maineadulted.org/

NO SCHOOL
Monday, May 28th

MEMORIAL DAY
Some are gone - none are forgotten