



Superintendent's Update

Wells-Ogunquit
Community School District

November 2, 2017

James P. Daly
Superintendent of Schools

A message from Supt. Daly.....

Dear Parents/Guardians, and Community Members:

We have experienced incredibly warm temperatures during the past few months. It has been wonderful to enjoy our fall activities without the need of jackets and mittens! I'd like to congratulate the WHS Boys and Girls Soccer teams who qualified for playoffs this year. Also, the WHS Boys Cross Country team who won the WMC Championship for the third year consecutive year. The team placed 3rd in the regionals and 4th in the State! The Warrior Football team is currently undefeated and will move on to the Class D Semi-Finals on Friday, Nov. 3rd as they pursue another State title.

Our high school Warrior Marching Band has completed their competitive season earning a 4-star rating and a Silver Medal at the recent MBDA State Finals. The Color Guard received 5 stars! Congratulations to all these student athletes, musicians, and artists!

Also included in the fall season are drama productions at the junior high and high school. Last week, the junior high entertained audiences with their production of *The Redemption of Gertie Green*. In mid-November the curtain will rise at the high school's Olenn Performing Arts Center with performances of *The Crucible*. Our student performers showcase their talents in many ways!

November is a month of reflection and being thankful for what we have in life. It is a time of honoring our veterans and celebrating Thanksgiving. It is important that we express gratitude to all who have served in our Armed Forces – both past and present. These dedicated men and women have protected our freedoms, rights, and democracy for generations. On Thursday, Nov. 9th, the Wells Elementary School will hold a Veteran's Day assembly where students will honor military service personnel and learn the meaning of "respect and honor".

Please take a moment to thank a veteran in your life and express your gratitude for the sacrifices they have made for the well-being of our children, our community, and our great nation.

Important Dates

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Parent/Teacher Conferences

WHS... 3:30-7:00pm

- Nov. 2

WJHS... 3:00-6:30pm

- Nov. 2
- Nov. 9

WES... 3:30-7:00 pm

- Nov. 2
- Nov. 7

Veteran's Day Observed

- Nov. 10
NO SCHOOL

Early Release

Wednesdays.....

- each
Wednesday
throughout
the school
year

WHS – dismissal 12:49pm
WJHS- dismissal 1:00pm
WES – dismissal 2:00pm



ON-THE-SPOT RECOGNITIONS

Students, teachers, staff, and community members exhibiting "*Warrior Pride*".

Thank you for making our schools shine!

Faculty/Staff-

Wells Elementary School –

- The Title Team - **Nancy Colley, Karen Valliere, Bonnie Esty, Kim Richard,** and **Lucille Pisano** for hosting a Literacy and Math parent night.

Students-

Wells Elementary School –

- **Aryan Sawant – Grade 1 -**
Aryan “brought home the gold” at the New England Open Taekwondo Championship held at M.I.T. in Cambridge, MA on October 22nd. His awards included:
 - Gold - sparring
 - Gold - breaking
 - Silver - poomsae

Congratulations, Aryan!



First-grader, **Aryan Sawant** proudly displays his medals.

Wells Junior High School –

- **Kristyn Bernier – Grade 7 –** assisted a classmate by accessing the student’s Google Classroom assignment and setting up an outline for a project.
- **Ethan Roberts -Grade 6 -** stayed behind at lunch recess to help a classmate clean up some spilt milk.

Wells High School –



Seniors, **Olivia Durfee** and **Kylie Belanger**

- **Olivia Durfee** and **Kylie Belanger – Grade 12** – have been named recipients of the 2017 National School Development Council’s Award for Academic Growth and Student Leadership. *Congratulations!*

Happenings Throughout the District

Wells Elementary School

Harlem Rockets entertain students



Dylan Hudnall (Gr 2) and Julia Allen (Gr 4) learn how to spin a ball.

On, Wednesday, October 25th, students enjoyed the antics of the Harlem Rockets Basketball Team in a school-wide assembly.

In the evening, the Team performed at a fundraising event at WHS.



WOCSD Teacher All-Star team member and Kindergarten teacher, *Emily Lewia*, prepares to make a foul shot.

Wells Junior High School

Helping with the harvest!



Students harvest pumpkins at McDougal's Farm in Springvale.

Left: *Ben Beisswanger*
Center: *Kayden Hutchins*
Right: *Jeff Sweeney*

Intramurals have begun for 1st Trimester!

Fun with Cooking is a favorite!



Lily Tomazweski, Aaron Patnaude, and *Haley Hennessey* enjoy cooking with Ms. Bernard each week!

Wells Junior High School (cont'd)

Fifth-graders tour the State House

On October 17th, fifth-grade students traveled to Augusta to tour the State House and learn about the governmental process.

Gathering for a photo on the State House balcony are:

Izzy Leslie, Ava Belanger, Molly Tavares, Bryce Curley, Jeremy Therrien, Matthew Flagg, Cooper Bourque, Alex Albright, Quentin Ackerson, Chase Lunetta, Kyle Donahue, James Cuevas, Phillip Fortin, Kendall Ball, Travis Bickford, Bella Smith, William Huffaker, Calista Leighton, Jada Pullan, Will Santamore-Rivard, Riley Murphy, Scarlet Arbelo, Elana Vennard, Jessica Palmer, Lilian Sittig, Nick Allen, and Connor Himmler.



Wells High School

**WHS Senior named
SRTC Student of the Quarter**



Senior Emanuel "Manny" Diggs was recently named *Student of the Quarter* at Sanford Regional Vocational Center for exceptional achievement through his studies in Automotive I

**Congratulations,
Scholars with Distinction**



Mitchell Libby and Anya Chase

...both have been named College Board *Scholars with Distinction* for their exceptional achievement on Advanced Placement exams throughout their years at Wells High School. In order to obtain this level of distinction, one must achieve an average score of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken and a score of 3 or higher on five or more of these national exams. Their accomplishment demonstrates considerable diligence, focus and preparation for the rigor of the AP subject exams

Wells High School (cont'd)

Wells Warrior Football Seniors are guests on WGME's *Friday Night Lights!*



Senior members of the Warrior Football Team, Sean McCormack-Kuhman, Michael Wrigley, John Harris, Brendan Dean, Ethan Marsh, Jack Talevi, Drew Peters, Chad Fitzpatrick, and Nolan Potter with WGME's Dave Eid and Adam Epstein.

To view the entire interview, go to <http://wgme.com/sports/friday-night-lights/fnl-week-7-10-14-2017> (starts at 6:04 seconds)

Adult Education



November is a busy month in Adult Ed!

- There's still availability for the **Maine Driving Dynamics** classes beginning **Nov. 7th**. When you complete the course you will receive a 3 point credit on your license!
- The fall weather is here, get out and enjoy it! Meet us for **Hiking Adventures** @ 10:00 am on **Nov. 8th**.
- Digging out your winter clothes? Have any old sweaters? Bring them to our **Repurposed Sweater Mitten** class on **Nov. 8th**.

FMI- call 646-4565
or go to our website at
<http://wells-ogunquit.maineadulted.org/>

Learn to cook new foods!

In October,
classes were
offered in sushi
making.

*Sue Roeder-Knight
prepares a plate of
delicious cuisine!*

