

# WMS Paw Print

## 2023.10.06

Bringing you the middle school scoop...

### Principal's Message

October 6, 2023

We're halfway through the first marking period. Now is a good time to check in with your child, The Parent Portal, and your child's teachers to see what the next steps in academic growth can be.

There's a lot going on, so read below, and don't miss out on all the great events coming up!

**KEEP THE PAW PRINT BOOKMARKED!**

**Once you have access to the newsletter it will update automatically, so go back at any time to see the latest version.**

Older versions will be archived on our <https://wms.mtplcsd.org/parent-resources/httpsmtplcsdorgfinalsitecomfsadminsitempages1574>



### A glance at the upcoming week...

#### Week of 10/9 - 10/13

##### Monday

- School Closed for Columbus Day

##### Tuesday - Day F

- 2:30-3:30 pm: Science Olympiad
- 2:30-3:15 pm: Meistersingers

##### Wednesday - Day A

- Picture Day

- 2:20-3:20 pm: Environmental Club
- 2:30-3:15 pm: Jazz Band

#### Thursday - Day B

- 2:30-3:15 pm: Musical Informational Meeting (Cast & Crew)

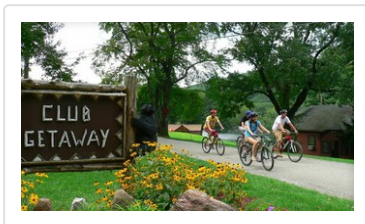
#### Friday - Day C

- 8th Grade Class Photo
- 2:30-3:30 pm: Art Club

#### Upcoming Dates:

- October 16-20th - Homecoming/Spirit Week
- October 21st- Homecoming Football Game
- October 27th - Trunk or Treat at WHS Parking Lot

## Important New Information, Upcoming Events, and Reminders



### 8th Grade Trip to Club Getaway

Despite our efforts in the spring to coordinate with local family and community partners and events, we have found a conflict with our trip dates in May.

**We are in the process of securing May 8 - 9.**

Once secured, we will send an updated permission slip. The cost and all other details will remain the same.

Thank you for your patience and flexibility. It is important to us that all of our students have the opportunity to go on our trip.



### October 28th - The Haunting At Westlake Middle School

- **Students must be accompanied by an adult.**
- The event is for students 7 and over.
- \$10 entry per participant - cash only.
- Sign up in advance using this link:



## NJHS Food Drive Message From Jeffrey Sliss!

I had no idea food could drive, but it has parked here at Westlake Middle School. The Middle School is currently running a food drive from now until October 20th. If you or your child would like to donate any non-perishable foods, such as pasta, sauce, rice, soup, instant potatoes, cereal, and many other things, your child can drop it off in Room 107 or in the main lobby. All food will go to Mt. Pleasant Food Pantry. Thank you for your considered patronage, and let's go Wildcats!!

-- Jeffrey Sliss



## New York State Assessment Reports on The Parent Portal

If you are having difficulty accessing reports, try these steps. Please note, this task is easier on a desktop or Chromebook:

- Log onto the parent portal.
- Click on your child's ID # (in blue).
- On the new page the top row in reads, "Assessment"; click on that but maximize the screen.
- On the new page click the Parent Assessment Report tab.
- Then click on the double arrow at the top left side to expand the choices.
- A menu will appear on the left side, it will state NWEA, but below that is the NYS Reports.
- Click on the NYS assessments.



## Celebrate Homecoming

Celebrate homecoming with Westlake color-themed doughnuts from Duck Doughnuts.



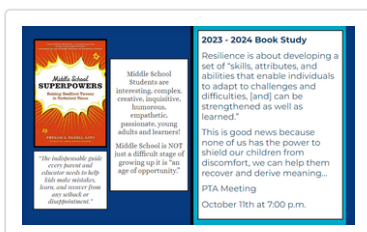
## WHS PTA Spirit Week Fundraiser

Show your spirit by decorating the town. More to come about spirit week events.



## October 6th at 7:00 p.m. - Westlake's Got Talent

Come see the amazing performing arts abilities of the Westlake Middle School Students.



## October 11th at 7:00 p.m. - PTA Meeting Book Study Kick Off

The next PTA Meeting is coming up. We will introduce the book study, expand interest, and develop a focus for us to learn together.

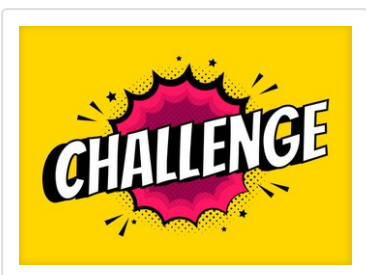


## October 27th at 4:00 p.m. - Trunk or Treat

The WMS Student Council Halloween Event will take place in the WHS Parking Lot.

If you are interested in decorating a car contact Ms. Brianna Iannone: [biannone@mtplcsd.org](mailto:biannone@mtplcsd.org)

## Principals' Leadership Group - Snapshots of What's Happening at WMS



### Problem Solving and Reading Carefully

As noted in a previous Paw Print, Ms. Hagey has been challenging students while building stronger proficiency in Mathematics. Ms. Hagey will also be sharing some challenging math-related puzzles with all of you. Here is the first one:

Google Form:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1FmejkiZTD6zYL\\_a9Gyi9moQWC2Fg1OfW9CN7cMqxujw/edit?ts=651578f6#settings](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1FmejkiZTD6zYL_a9Gyi9moQWC2Fg1OfW9CN7cMqxujw/edit?ts=651578f6#settings)

You can solve them as a family, but students need to be logged in to Google with their MTPLCSD credentials.

Have fun!

Who knows, there may be prizes.



## Westlake Wildcat Sports

Please check the Westlake Wildcats Sports Calendar for ANY updates or changes.

**CALENDAR:** <http://www.westlakewildcats.org/calendar>

### **Athletic Office contacts:**

Shawn Baumann, Athletic Director at [sbaumann@mtplcsd.org](mailto:sbaumann@mtplcsd.org)

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