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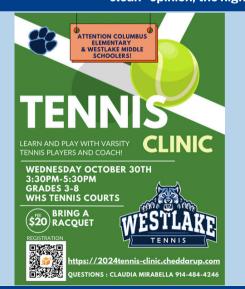






Superintendent's Corner

The end of October is bus! At Hawthorne, the Pumpkin Challenge is back. Students select a book, choose a character, and create this character using a pumpkin. One is featured above and we will share more next week! Speaking of Halloween fun, our PTAs have organized two events for this weekend, Trunk or Treat and The Haunting at WMS. At Columbus, Gina Ruggiero's Spanish classes have been studying the Mexican celebration of "Día de Muertos." They will watch Coco together to celebrate the completion of this unit of study. In the Westlake Library, it's Christmas in October! Library Media Specialist Lenore Rotanelli, and some students from Michele Caterino's class unpacked huge boxes of brand new books to be added to the WMS library collection. As we near the end of the fall regular season, volleyball and XC are still competing and our varsity football team has made its way into the Section 1 Top ten! They, along with the girls and boys soccer teams which have both made it into post season play, are all playing this weekend. Please try to catch a game! Our varsity and modified cheer teams BOTH brought home medals from the Panas Competition last week, taking first and second respectively. Finally, the results of our annual financial audit are in and the District received an unqualified, or "clean" opinion, the highest level a district can receive.



The Week Ahead

10/25 - Girls Soccer Playoff Game at Rye 6 PM

10/26 - Boys Soccer Playoff Game HOME 2 PM, Salute to First Responders 5 PM, Varsity Football vs Pleasantville HOME 5:30 PM, The Haunting at Middle School 5:30 PM

10/29 - HES Pumpkin Patch

10/31 - Halloween Parade at HES 9 AM



Noticing the Good

Last year, WHS launched a high school core academics program for select students called the Career Research Academy (CRA). The program, which is for 11th and 12th graders with a strong interest in skilled trades after high school, focuses on teaching students literacy within their desired industry or trade. Last week. Career **Research Academy was invited to Lincoln** Tech in Mahwah, NJ to spend the day learning about their skilled trade and technical education programs. Mount Pleasant's school counseling coordinator, Nick DiPaolo said, "Our CRA students learned about how to further their education in HVAC, Electrical, Welding and Auto through an intensive and experiential one year program." What a great opportunity! #wildcatpride



In Awe of the Paw - The Next Generation of Teachers

Mount Pleasant is delighted to be part of the educational journey of students at local colleges universities. This fall, Samantha Reyer is spending time with us at Columbus. It turns out that Samatha's mother and I were camp counselors together almost 40 years ago, so it was especially great to visit her in Kerry Dockett and Nicole's Gleason's class.







