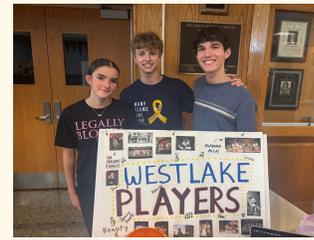


THE WILDCAT WEEKLY

A Note from Dr. G

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Superintendent's Corner

It was a short week, but we have been busy, Wildcats!

The life skills program is working on developing interpersonal skills such as team work, critical thinking, communication, and problem solving. This year Brandon Moran is creating Paw Print Westlake books when teachers and staff order one. The Life Skills Program also continues to hold Lunch Orders monthly through Rose Hill Deli. This month Camron Novak and Brandon received orders, contacted Rose Hill Deli, and delivered all lunches to staff.

In 6th grade Family and Consumer Sciences, students are learning about kitchen safety. This week and next, they will have the chance to become detectives to solve a kitchen crime. The kitchen was set up as a crime scene, complete with numerous kitchen hazards. Students completed their investigation in small groups, filling out an investigation report. They were tasked to write down as many safety hazards (pieces of evidence) as they could find and explain why they are dangerous.

They also tried to solve the crime and find the suspect, who, after investigation, they believe is their teacher, Mrs. Steinberg. (If your 6th grader hasn't done it yet, please don't reveal the suspect!) Today was the highly anticipated WHS Club Fair. Organized by Lauren Cody and Nicholas DiPaolo from the WHS Guidance and Counseling Office, the club and activity fair is a great way for the students to see what we have to offer and explore interests in the hopes of finding out more about themselves. By joining one of the 50 clubs and activities, students not only have the opportunity to get involved in their school community, but also to meet new people.

Sunday is Spirit Day, Wildcats. Let's make the last one the best one ever.

Noticing the Good

Last week, we celebrated National Arts in Education Week in our schools. This annual observance honors the role the arts play in all levels of education – from elementary through high school. Across the country, schools spotlight visual arts, music, theater, dance, media arts, and more, showcasing how the arts enrich student learning, creativity, and expression.

We are proud to share images from our own schools – Hawthorne, Columbus, WMS, and WHS – featuring student work and projects guided by our dedicated art teachers. These snapshots reflect how creativity and the arts are woven into daily learning and help foster curiosity, problem-solving, and confidence.

Thank you to all of our teachers - Melissa Mancini, Wendy Guagenti, Emily Feigelman, Carolyn Frawley, Lauren Morris, Jenny Oliva, and Claudia Papazian-Moravec - for making the arts an integral part of our students' education.

SPIRIT DAY

SUNDAY 9.28.25

8:30 AM - 2:30 PM

WESTLAKE HIGH SCHOOL



Football Games • Cheerleading
DJ • Raffles • Face Painting • Fall Plant Sale
Candy Shoppe • Pumpkin Decorating
Food Trucks • Concession Stands • Games
Performance by WHS Blenders

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO
CHILDHOOD CANCER RESEARCH
THROUGH THE TLC FOUNDATION

The Week Ahead

9/28 - Spirit Day (see flyer)

9/30 - WHS Underclassmen Photos,
WHS Financial Aid Night, 7 pm Library

10/1 - WHS Underclassmen Photos,
WMS/WH 1st Quarter Midpoint

10/2 - Yom Kippur - Schools Closed

10/3 - WMS Talent Show



In Awe of the Paw - Athletic Trainer Appreciation

This week, we celebrate Athletic Trainer Appreciation Week by recognizing Westlake's own Hilary Piccoli. Hilary plays a vital role in keeping our Wildcats safe, healthy, and ready to compete. From prevention to recovery, her care and expertise make a difference every day.

Thank you, Hilary, for all you do for our student-athletes!

