

THE WILDCAT WEEKLY

A Note from Dr. G

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Superintendent's Corner

Noticing the Good

We kicked off winter athletics senior nights with celebrations for both the girls' and boys' basketball teams. Many of these athletes have been mastering their sports since their days as Junior Wildcats, making the ceremonies especially meaningful for students, families, coaches, and teammates alike. Senior nights offer a moment to reflect on years of dedication, growth, and teamwork, while honoring the important role these student-athletes have played in our school community. We congratulate all of our senior Wildcats and look forward to continuing these celebrations throughout the winter season.

A heartfelt thank you to our facilities team for their outstanding work during this winter's first significant snowstorm. It hasn't snowed like this in years, and their dedication, long hours, and careful attention ensured that our campuses were safe and ready to welcome students and staff back. With more snow in the forecast — and hopes that the groundhog doesn't see his shadow next week — we are especially grateful for the work they do to keep our school community safe. Their efforts, often behind the scenes, make a real and lasting difference.

Creativity is thriving across Hawthorne classrooms. First graders explored the magic of color theory using vibrant liquid watercolors to create heart-shaped color wheels, discovering how primary colors blend into a full spectrum of harmony. Kindergarten students bundled up for a literary and artistic adventure inspired by Jan Brett's winter classic *The Hat*, designing imaginative winter headwear while practicing fine motor skills and creative expression. Writing celebration season is also underway, beginning with a Learn & Listen event in Francesca Lalli's second grade classroom, where students proudly shared their published work with families and school leaders.

Westlake High School also celebrated athletic excellence as freshman Vincenzo Mannello was named a repeat LoHud Wrestler of the Week following a standout performance at the Westchester County Championships. Congratulations to Vincenzo on this impressive achievement.



The Week Ahead

- 1/30, 31 - WMS Musical *Newsies* 7 PM
- 2/1 - WMS Musical *Newsies* 1 PM
- 2/2 - WHS PTA Mtg 7 PM, MTPEF Mtg 7 PM
- 2/3 - WMS Incoming 8th Grade Course Selection Mtg 7 PM, WAC Mtg 7 PM
- 2/4 - Italian Honor Society Induction 2:30 PM, WHS Class of '27 Scheduling Begins, WMS PTA Mtg 7 PM
- 2/5 - WHS English Honor Society Induction 2:30 PM, CES 4th Grade Recital 9 AM
- 2/6 - HES 1st Grade Vocal Performances

Tickets:

cur8.com/22038/project/136518

In Awe of the Paw - School Record Alert

Westlake senior Marcus Jackette has become the All-Time Leading Scorer in school history with 1,391 points and counting, surpassing Paul Stubi's long-standing record of 1,365 points, which had stood since 1984.

Congratulations to Marcus on this incredible achievement!

