

Granville Wells Elementary School

## The Rocket Review

September 30, 2016

**ABOVE and BEYOND – Aim High, Work Hard, No Excuses...It's the Wells Way!**



**Follow Granville Wells on Twitter, live updates of all the excitement happening within the ROCKET community, you won't want to miss it - @PrincipalGWES**

### From Mrs. Ottinger and Mrs. Stanley:

The first nine weeks of the 2016-2017 school year will end on Friday, October 7, 2016. Report cards will be published in Harmony on Friday, October 14, 2016. Parents are invited and encouraged to contact their child's teacher(s) with questions about or to request a conference regarding student assignments, work completion skills, grades, and overall progress. Parent involvement in educational process is critical, and appreciated. A big thank you is extended to parents for supporting attention to and completion of classroom assignments both at school, and those that come home. In many cases, class time is offered to begin, and to often complete, daily work. If a student is not able to complete the assignment in the amount of time offered at school, it is sent home to be completed as homework. Assignments are intended to serve as practice and application opportunities for subjects covered in class. Thank you for asking your child if they have work to complete, and for contacting teachers when questions arise. We appreciate the opportunity to work together towards student achievement and success.

Parents of students in grades 4-6 will be receiving Spring 2016 ISTEP Parent Reports during the week of October 3, 2016. Parents are asked to contact their child's teacher, Mrs. Ottinger, or Mrs. Stanley with questions regarding ISTEP information.

**All Western Boone schools will be on Fall Break, and will not be in session, October 17-21, 2016. Classes will resume on Monday, October 24, 2016. We hope all students enjoy time with family and friends.**

### Hearing Screenings:

Mrs. Golden, Granville Wells Speech and Language Pathologist, will conduct annual hearing screenings for students in Kindergarten, First Grade, and Fourth Grade, and for all new students to Wells on Thursday, October 6, 2016. Parent volunteers are needed to assist with hearing screenings on Thursday. Please contact Mrs. Ottinger, [susan.ottinger@webo.k12.in.us](mailto:susan.ottinger@webo.k12.in.us), if you are able to help Mrs. Golden with student hearing screenings on October 6, 2016, from 8:00am-noon.

### School Safety with Officer McClaine:

Western Boone School Resource Officer, Deputy Jeremy McClaine, has begun conducting DARE Education programming for grades 1, 2, 3, and 4, and will be providing Halloween Safety presentations for Preschool and Kindergarten students. He will work with grades 5 and 6 during the spring months to complete DARE Education training. Additionally, Officer McClaine will be present and involved in our yearly ALICE drills again this year. He is a friend to all at Granville Wells, and a tremendous support to our students and staff. He helps us to maintain a safe learning environment, and is a great example of ROCK-IT Skills in action. GWES loves Officer McClaine!



**PTO News:**

The GWES PTO will sponsor an after school movie party on Friday, October 7, 2016 from 2:38-4:30pm in the Wells multi-purpose room. The movie being shown will be Kung Fu Panda. Permission slips will be sent home with students, and must be returned by, or presented on, October 7 to participate.

The next PTO meeting will be held on October 13th, at 6:00 pm here at Granville Wells Elementary School. The PTO is sponsoring a Work Room Volunteer Team to work in the school on Wednesdays each week doing a variety of classroom support activities. If you are interested in being a part of the Work Room Volunteer Team, please contact the Wells PTO at [WellsPTO@webo.k12.in.us](mailto:WellsPTO@webo.k12.in.us). **Jump in and join the GWES PTO team, all are welcome!**

**Student Council Dress Up Week:**

The Student Council will sponsor School Spirit Dress Up Days the week of October 10-14, 2016. All GWES students are invited and encouraged to participate. We are asking that, if possible, each student who participates in Spirit Week activities bring in one canned food item each day they choose to dress up. The food collected will be donated to the Caring Center by the Student Council on behalf of all GWES Rockets. School Spirit Dress Up Days are as follows:

**Monday, 10/10- Football Shirt/Jersey Day**

**Tuesday, 10/11- Colorful Day (bright mix of colors)**

**Wednesday, 10/12- Pink Day (breast cancer awareness)**

**Thursday, 10/13 - Retro Day**

**Friday, 10/14 – Wells Rocket Wear Day**

**Granville Wells Volleyball:**

The 5<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball team ended their season playing in the Clinton Prairie tournament on Saturday, October 1, 2016, earning 3<sup>rd</sup> place. We are so proud of all team members and offer congratulations to the following players for a “rockin” great season: **Emma Miller, Lillie Cripe, Cadence Ross, Katherine Mateika, Tori Willis, Addie Jones, Brianna Farkas, Ainsley Gross, Alayna Christner, Sarah Breedlove, Maddie Roys, Mary Abney, Ellie Truitt, Zoey Tingle, Kami Hedrick, Marissa Doughty, Essa Lister, Grace Miller, Kiersten Robbins, Olivia Hankins, Rhiannon Clark, and Arianna Steiber.** Way to “rock the court” Lady Rockets! A very special thanks goes to Mrs. Corrie Jones who volunteered her time and efforts to serve as the 5<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball coach. Her dedication and leadership are greatly appreciated! Additionally, we offer thanks to Mrs. Erin Kinsel who organized and scheduled all aspects of this year’s volleyball season. Mrs. Kinsel rocks!

The 6<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball team played in the Clinton Prairie volleyball tournament on Saturday, October 1, earning 1<sup>st</sup> place. We are so proud of all team members! 6<sup>th</sup> grade will continue their season with a game on Tuesday evening, October 4, at 6:00pm at Western Boone Jr/Sr High School. Go get'em 6<sup>th</sup> grade!

**“We Rock-It the Wells Way”:**

Our Granville Wells Rockets are doing a fabulous job of practicing and demonstrating the citizenship characteristics of Honesty, Caring, Responsibility, and Respect. Students are encouraged and challenged to always be thinking about the choices they make, and to always do the right thing for themselves and for others. **It’s the Wells Way!** Students going ABOVE and BEYOND in practicing and modeling their ROCK-IT Skills, and who have earned “Rock-It Reward” tickets recently are:

**Daniel Schooler, Rawly Woodrum, Hailey Sparks, Jailie Torp, Claire Torp, Noah Miller, Jace Baber, Alex Lollar, Tristyn Faulk, Trenton Merrill, Ella Kail, Jaxson Latham, Wyatt Dickey, Will Wade, Jalen Latham, Teagan Whelchel, Audrey Dunn, Cora Deane, Macy Woodrum, and Riley Gardner.**

Please encourage your children to “Rock-It the Wells Way” in all that they do. We are very proud of our students!



**Cafeteria News:**

The Granville Wells cafeteria team is seeking substitute workers to help with daily food preparation and service. Please contact Kelsey Lawson at Granville Wells, 765-485-6311, if you or someone you know is interested in being a part of the GWES Food Service department.

**Parents are reminded to call ahead if they would like to eat lunch with their students. Prior notice helps our cafeteria staff prepare enough food for both students and guests. All are welcome, and we appreciate parent participation.**

**Upcoming Events:**

**10/3** – Spell Bowl Practice 2:40pm

**10/4** – Pom Poms/Baton 2:40pm, 6<sup>th</sup> gr. volleyball game at Western Boone 6:00pm

**10/5** – Spell Bowl Practice 2:40pm

**10/6** – Hearing Screenings

**10/7** – End of 1<sup>st</sup> 9 Weeks, PTO Movie Party for 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade students 2:38pm

**10/10** – **Football Shirt/Jersey Day**, Spell Bowl Practice 2:40pm

**10/11** – **Colorful Day (Bright Colors)**, Pom Poms/Baton 2:40pm

**10/12** – **Pink Day**, Spell Bowl Practice 2:40pm

**10/13** – **Retro Day**, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade to McCloud Park, PTO Meeting 6:00pm

**10/14** – **Wells Rocket Wear Day**, Preschool to Dull's Pumpkin Farm

**10/17-10/21** – **Fall Break**

Gleaners Food Pantry will be open on October 15 at St. Joseph's Church in Lebanon, 319 E South Street. The doors open at 9:45am on the northwest side of the church. Additionally, the Gleaners Mobile Truck will be open October 12, 2016, from 4:00-6:00pm, at the Boone County Fairgrounds, 1300 E 100 S in Lebanon.

The Sugar Creek Art Center will host its Art-of-Fashion Fall Style Show fund raising event on Thursday, October 6, 2016, beginning at 6:00pm. Hor d'oeuvres will be provided by Sweet and Savory, and a silent auction will be available during the event. Tickets are \$30 each, or \$200 for a table of 8. Tickets may be purchased by calling the Art Center, 765-436-7102 or online at [www.sugarcreekarts.org](http://www.sugarcreekarts.org).

The Advance Community Christian Church Bible Club will begin on Wednesdays starting Wednesday, October 5th from 2:40 pm to 4:00 pm. This club is open for children from 1st grade through 6th grade. **Steve Vitaniemi** and Elizabeth Allen will be returning to work with the children along with Corina Wagner. We will be meeting for 6 weeks on October 5th, October 12th, October 26th and in November 2nd, November 9th and November 16th. We will be encouraging the kids with Bible lessons, fun games and snacks each week. Sign up sheets are available from the Advance Community Christian Church by calling **Steve** at 765-676-6500 or online at [advancecommunitychristianchurch.org](http://advancecommunitychristianchurch.org). These sheets may be turned in at the church or on the first day of the club. Contact **Steve** if you have any questions.

Advance Community Christian Church invites all children and families to our Halloween Trunk or Treat event to be held on Sunday, October 30th from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. We will have fun activities, including our large blow ups, and plenty of candy and treats. All are welcome.

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