



# Dwight Elementary School

*2012 National Blue Ribbon School*

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Dear Parents,

It's hard to believe that November is almost over. We had a lot to be thankful for at Dwight this month. Our Veterans Day celebration was fantastic. We had strong attendance from veterans who served our country from as early as the World War 2-time period through the present. Veterans began their visit with coffee and conversation with Dwight students and faculty and were then honored at an assembly with patriotic songs and reflections. Special thanks to Sheila Doherty, our music teacher, for her organization and passion.

Veterans Day was followed by STEM night. Students engaged in fun and educational Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics opportunities with their parents and Dwight staff. It was wonderful to see parents and students challenging themselves to create and solve real world problems. Special thanks to Jessica Kensek, our math science teacher, for creating such an incredible experience for our community.

Lastly, kindergarten parents were invited to Dwight on Wednesday morning to celebrate Thanksgiving with their children and the kindergarten team. Children sang beautiful songs, played the bells and ate seasonal treats. This year, all grade levels will have an opportunity to perform for a parent audience in a way that is connected to the Fairfield Public Schools curriculum.

While we had lots to celebrate and be thankful for in the past, there are several dates to look forward to that are just around the corner. On Wednesday, November 30, Jerry Pallotta will be here at Dwight! He is the author who wrote the ever-popular Who Would Win series among many other titles. Special thanks to our PTA for providing this excellent enrichment opportunity for all students. Please don't forget to purchase books if you'd like as Mr. Pallotta will be signing.

I am also offering a Parent Coffee Workshop on Data Analysis on Wednesday, December 7 at 9:15 AM. Please RSVP to Megan Hogan at [mhogan2@fairfieldschools.org](mailto:mhogan2@fairfieldschools.org) or Patti Dyer at [pdyer2@fairfieldschools.org](mailto:pdyer2@fairfieldschools.org) by Friday, December 2 to confirm your attendance.

This is a very special season in that we move from a focus of thankfulness and gratitude to one of hopefulness and celebration. Enjoy and make time for your family traditions. Your children will relish time spent honoring them.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mimi Maniscalco".

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