

# Williams-Cone School Principal's Newsletter

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*"Williams-Cone School is a safe and kind community that inspires every student to succeed. "*  
*-Compassionate, Curious, Confident Learners-*



Pictured above is the first phase of the Earthen Crawl Project. (Photo Credits: Megan Robertson)



## Hello WCS Community!

The first phase of the Earthen Crawl Project has been completed thanks to the amazing skill, talents, creativity, efforts, time and generosity of FOWC,

the Playground Committee and our community! On April 15th volunteers (Andrea, Jimmy, Eli & Ivan Imrie, Megan & Jonathan Robertson, Amber-Jean Nickels, Meredith & Wade Pinkham, Rebecca Jauch, Marilyn Hunter, & Collin Johnston) under the direction of Mac Hunter, completed a marathon day of construction. The final design for the Earthen Crawl Project did have to undergo



some last minute changes, but it turned out amazing. Many thanks to this fabulous group of volunteers, the entire Playground Committee, FOWC and community sponsors who made this first phase possible!

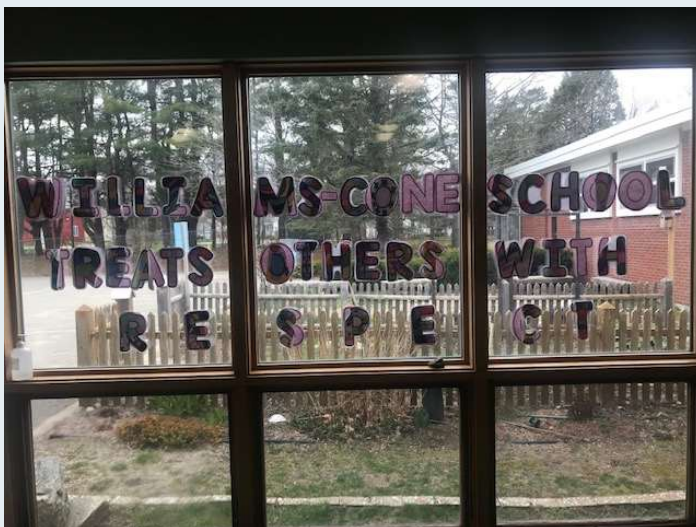






### Senior Capstone Project

Mount Ararat Senior and former WCS student, Ben Keleher recently presented WCS with a stained glass replica of the WCS Tiger. Ben, with the support of Topsham community member Jeff Duncan, created the stained glass project over a 40 hour period, fulfilling his Capstone graduation requirement. Ben recently presented the stained glass tiger to WCS via a school wide zoom assembly. During the assembly Ben shared the details about the project including the necessary materials, attention to detail, time, patience and precision that the project required. The project will be displayed prominently in the school's connector area for all to enjoy. Thank-you Ben!



March/April Positive  
Behavior Intervention  
Supports School  
Wide Challenge

Throughout the months  
of March and April the  
School Wide Positive

Behavior Challenge focused on being respectful learners. Students worked

together to fill in letters that stated "Williams-Cone School Treats Others With Respect" by demonstrating respectful behavior in all school settings. The letters were on display in the main lobby for all to see as they were being filled. To celebrate our school's success with the PBIS challenge, students were treated to special activities on Thursday, April 14th. Activities ranged from arts and crafts, creating slime, Go Noodle dancing to science experiments.

Pictured below are students from Mrs. Lapointe's class engaging in science experiments as part of the school wide celebration. (Photos courtesy of Rebecca Brooks)



I hope that all of you had the opportunity to rest and renew over spring break. We are starting to gear up for the end of the school year, which is always lots of fun here at WCS, but very hectic too! In spite of this, please know that growing and supporting students academically, socially and emotionally continues to be our primary focus. We are committed to closing learning gaps as well as growing student achievement. To support this our Response to Intervention team along with classroom teaching staff are providing several extended learning programs throughout the month of May.

The staff and I are also already reviewing and preparing for student programming needs for the upcoming 2022-23 school year. This includes hosting an incoming Kindergarten Parent Night on May 4th and transition activities for incoming

kindergarten activities (dates TBA) as well as an incoming PreK screening on May 19th. We also spent a majority of the April 15th in-service reviewing potential building and grade level schedules for the 2022-23 school year as well as creating potential classroom rosters for the upcoming school year.

Thank-you for your continued support wonderful community! Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any needs that you and your family may have at this time. We are here to help!

Your Principal,

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# gratitude

Lots of great things continue to happen throughout the WCS community. We are grateful for:

- \*The completion of the first phase of the "Earthen Crawl" Project! Thank-you FOWC and Playground Committee volunteers and donators!
- \*Thank-you to Mac Hunter for leading the "Earthen Crawl" Project including using his heavy equipment for installation, donating materials as well as ensuring safety for all.
- \*The stained glass WCS Tiger created and donated by Ben Keleher with the support of Jeff Duncan.
- \* The Mid-Coast Hospital Community Outreach Programs who donated lunch to the WCS teaching staff during the April 15th in-service.
- \*A productive teaching staff in-service day on April 15th.
- \*Spring break!



## May/June

5/2-5/6 Staff Appreciation Week

5/2-5/27 NWEA K-5 & Science MEA Window (Grade 5 only)

5/3 5th Grade Parent Night, 6:00 P.M., MAMS

5/3 Playground Committee Meeting, 6:00 P.M., WCS Playground

5/4 2022-23 Incoming Kindergarten Parent Night, 6:00 P.M. , Learning Commons

5/19 2022-23 PreK Screening Day

5/26 5th Grade End of Year Celebration (rain date 6/2)

5/30 Memorial Day Holiday, No School

6/1-6/7 Scholastic Book Fair

6/1 Volunteer Breakfast, 8:30 A.M.

6/3 FOWC Race for Education

6/8 Grade 5 Step Up Day

6/9 Class of 2022 MTA Senior Walk Through

6/13 5th Grade Farewell Ceremony, 1:15 P.M.

6/15 Last Day of 2021-2022 School Year-No Late Start-Half Day for Students

please join us at our community food pantry



We Include, Nurture & Give

**W.I.N.G.**

the food pantry at Mt. Ararat Middle School

Drive-up service available  
Mt Ararat Middle School front entrance  
Monday 4p to 6p  
Friday 5:30p-7:30p

Fresh produce, Dairy, Frozen foods, &  
Hygiene products are all available to anyone.

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# Pre-Screening Tool for School Attendance

Within the past 24 hours have you had a fever\* or taken fever reducing medicine?

**YES =**



Do you feel sick, had Vomiting/diarrhea, fever\*, sore throat, new cough, or felt unwell?

**YES =**



Have you been told to stay home and isolate/quarantine due to COVID-19 exposure?

**YES =**



## Most Common Symptoms of COVID-19:

- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fever \*
- Chills
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell

## Less Common Symptoms:

- Muscle pain
- Nausea or Vomiting
- Stomach pain
- Diarrhea
- Fatigue
- Headache
- Rash
- Swelling or redness of hands/feet
- Red eyes/eye drainage
- Congestion/runny nose

*\*Fever is 100.4°F/ 38°C regardless of measurement location (oral, temporal).*

Stay home with any **YES** response to the questions above.

Symptoms of illness can have many causes. Please keep your student home and contact your school nurse or primary care provider if your student is unwell. Students who present with symptoms while in school will be dismissed to home at the discretion of the nurse.

*\*A fever is 100.4F/38C or greater.*



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