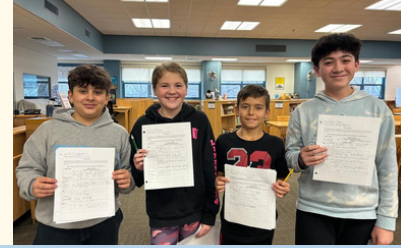


THE WILDCAT WEEKLY

A Note from Dr. G

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Superintendent's Corner

The weather on Tuesday did not cancel the Mount Pleasant Town Board meeting at which our 2022-23 Regional Finalists and Section I Champion Football team was recognized with a beautiful commemorative sign. Congratulations again to this outstanding team. We look forward to similarly celebrating our other teams! Also in the community, Briarcliff Auto Body welcomed our Career Research Academy students for a hands-on lesson on collision repair, welding, painting and how to run a small business. If you would like to host our students, contact Nicholas DiPaolo at ndipaolo@mtplcsd.org.

CES Counselor Connie Cotrone coordinated a character education assembly, hosted by motivational speaker Corey Jones, to discuss leadership, respect, and this month's focus at Columbus: responsibility. Students learned about making good choices and how those choices define who they are. It was a great way to prepare for Monday, Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday, which has become synonymous with service, responsibility, and character. Ask your CES student about the assembly!

Have a safe long weekend. (More snow is predicted for next week!)

Noticing the Good

At WMS Michele Caterino and Gayle Garson wasted no time getting their students back into the swing of learning after break, hosting a personal narrative publishing party in the Westlake Library. Before the celebration they learned about elements of a narrative, listed things in their lives that could make good topics, plotted a few different stories and then it was time to write! There was no word count, just writing! Story topics included finding a lost cat, first time roller on a coaster, a birthday surprises, a first time fishing, winning a scholarship, and getting a puppy. They read each other's stories and left compliments on topics and techniques.

At Hawthorne, Denise Danzis' and Arianna Palmiero's class have also been working on ELA. Their study this year has included story elements, building fluency, reading strategies and writing both non fiction and opinion. This week they too had a writing celebration with a focus on animals. The words "Animal Researcher," which was written on their decorated party hats described the new skills these first graders had acquired and were proudly sharing with guests at their writing celebration.

WMS presents...



The Week Ahead

1/15 NO SCHOOL -
Martin Luther King Jr. Day

1/16 WAC Meeting 7pm

1/17 Coffee & Conversation
with Dr. G 7pm

1/25, 1/26, 1/27 at 7pm and 1/28 at 3pm.

Visit our website for tickets and more info.

<https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/80028>

In Awe of the Paw - WHS Science Research

The WHS Science Research Program was in the news this week! Senior Keishianne Bernal and her mentor Dr. Christopher Whitehurst at New York Medical College celebrated Keishianne's first published scientific study which explores the increased incidence of Epstein-Barr Virus (EBV) reactivation in COVID-19 patients. There was coverage in Westfair Business AND the River Journal. Read both on our website and social media. Congratulations Keishianne!
#wildcatpride

