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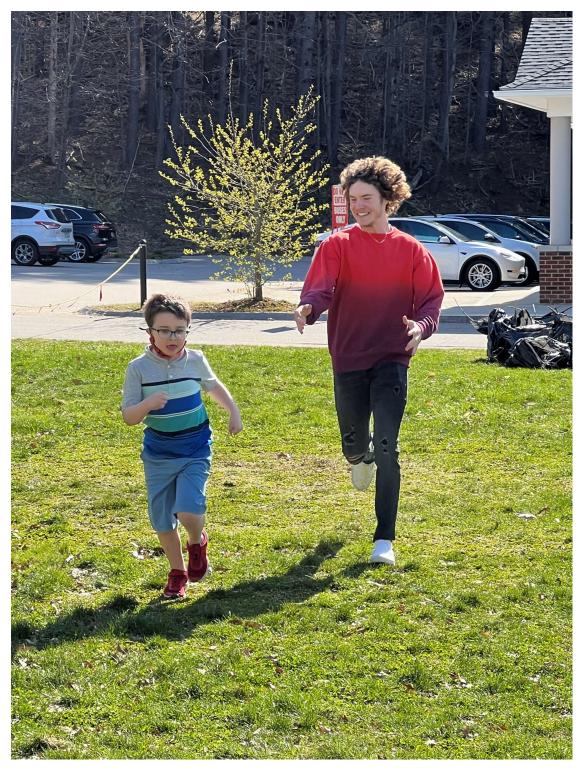
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WLC Earth Day/Community Service Day 2022

The WLC schools celebrated Earth Day on April 22 by cleaning up trash, planting flowers, and painting around the schools and greater community. Working in tandem with the Wilton Community Center roadside cleanup initiative and Sara Spittel, students, teachers, and administration donned vests, grabbed trash bags, and headed out to show appreciation for their communities. Middle school students remained nearer to WLC to clean up the school grounds and the Middle/High School Student Leadership Team donated lilac bushes and spent the morning planting them as well as day lilies and iris bulbs as part of their school beautification project. Upper classmen headed further out into the community. The senior class and the National Honor Society headed to Florence Rideout Elementary School (FRES) to clean the surrounding areas and help the elementary school students spread student painted "kindness rocks" throughout. They also removed rocks and sticks from the playground to make it a better place to play. Fourth and fifth grade students made the long, uphill trek to Carnival Hill with the seniors and National Honor Society and picked up trash along the way. The sophomores and juniors jumped on a bus to Lyndeborough and helped with cleanup at the Lyndeborough Central School (LCS) as well as on Forest Road. In addition to all of this good work, three students were chosen by the town to paint murals around the storm drains. Josh Boulanger, Senja Sours, and Mia Gorman's designs were chosen and they spent the day completing those projects.

WLC Eighth grader Brycen Kusher stated, "It feels really great to help our community and the earth." All in, the students of SAU #63 did a combined total of approximately 800 hours of community service. High school social studies teacher, Zach Provost commented on the day by saying, "It was so rewarding seeing the district come together to appreciate our community and spend some joyous time outside."



Students race through the grass at FRES as they clean up the area and distribute the hand painted "kindness rocks."

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The WLC Student Leadership Team planted lilacs, day lilies, and irises as part of their School beautification initiative. From left to right: Robbie Gagnon, Ella Wibben, Shawn Bishop, Nick Fantasia, Zach Provost (faculty advisor), Robert Hannigan, and Harry Krug.