

# SMITH TIMES

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Greetings!



Ms. Chris Souliere, our wonderful Physical Education teacher, is continuing to heal from knee surgery. She is not yet ready to return to the strenuous duties of teaching, however,

and will be out for the remainder of the year. We have been fortunate to have had Mrs. Maureen Ketcham and now Mr. Dylan Baker substituting for her. Ms. Souliere, the organizer of our annual Field Day events, will continue to support this work from afar. A committee of P.T.O. parents/guardians, teachers, and Officer Bailey Emilo of the Burlington Police Department is working with Ms. Souliere to plan this year's Field Day.

The last day of school will be Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. We will hold a Farewell Assembly that morning at 8:30 a.m. in the gym as we (with the help of our Kindergarten students) say goodbye to our Grade 5 students as they move on to middle school. Please join us for that ceremony if you can.

Smith School is hosting the Burlington School District Spelling Bee for Grade 4-5 participants on Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the gym. Our team is composed of students Sarah Bahrenburg, Tiko Bedrosian, Lillian Connolly, Owen Dinklage, Grace Park, and Robert Safran and coaches Mr. Josh Safran and Mrs. Kim Hamlin.

Please review the calendar for other upcoming school activities and events.

Thanks for all you are doing to make our school community one of safety, respect, and responsibility for all who come through our doors.

## News from Around the School

Students in Grades 3-5 have worked hard on their end-of-year assessments. They completed their S.B.A.C. (Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium) tests in Literacy and Math, as have their peers across the country. Students in Grade 4 also completed the New England Common Assessment Program (N.E.C.A.P.) test in Science. Many thanks to Mrs. Sharon Hayes, our Librarian, for coordinating these assessments.

Mrs. Patty Kissell's Grade 2 students really appreciated their recent Four Winds Science lessons on galls and the life cycle. Many thanks to parent volunteers Mrs. Kate Ahmann and Mrs. Laura Caputo for supporting this important work with their class during this school year.

Students in several grades learned about air, rocks, clouds and condensation, and insects from a representative of the Montshire Museum, thanks to the generous sponsorship of our P.T.O.

## Calendar of Events



- 5/27:** Burlington School District Spelling Bee (9:00 a.m.) -- Smith Gym
- 6/3:** Field Day/Bike Rodeo -- School Grounds
- 6/3:** Farewell Picnic (5:00-7:00 p.m.) -- School Grounds
- 6/8:** Appreciation Assembly (8:30 a.m.) -- Gym
- 6/9:** Farewell Assembly (8:30 a.m.) -- Gym
- 6/9:** Last Day of School (11:30 a.m. dismissal)
- 6/17:** Student Placement Letters Mailed

