

# SMITH TIMES

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## The Principal's Corner



We are very proud of our school's Spelling Team of Brynn Allard, Helen Argraves, Maggie Barlow, Sabin Hart, Emma Larivee, and Sully Weston, and their coach, Mr. Joshua Safran, for their wonderful 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish in the recent Burlington School District Spelling Bee. (The team tied for 1<sup>st</sup> place before getting edged out in a tiebreaker.) We are so pleased with the performance—and most importantly the sportspersonship—of our team of spellers. Bravo to all of you!

As we finish one school year and prepare for the next, I want to let families know that information about specific student assignments will be mailed home during the summer. This information will be enclosed with a “welcome back” letter from your children's new teachers. A committee of parents, teachers, and administrators met to create the draft of a calendar of events for the 2013-14 school year. That schedule is being finalized and will be included in next week's newsletter.

Community members will be putting the finishing touches on our orchard this summer. We are excited that it will include fruit trees, bushes, and other plants. We envision it being good outdoor learning space for our students (and a source of nutritious food for us) and a welcoming gathering place for our neighbors, too.



Our annual Farewell Assembly will be held on Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. in the school gym. This is a beautiful and moving tribute to our Grade 5 students who will be transitioning on to middle school. The ceremony involves the presentation of a carnation by a Kindergarten student to each of our Grade 5 students. Each fall, our Welcome

Assembly includes just the reverse: the presentation of a carnation by Grade 5 students to each of our Kindergarten students as a welcoming gesture to our school community. We hope you will feel free to join us for this assembly. **The school day for all students will end at 11:30 a.m. on that day. Lunches will be available in the lobby as students leave the building. Our school will also be the site of a summer lunch program, as well.**

Please consult the Calendar of Events for other important activities related to our school community.



Thank you for all you do to make our school a community of respectful, responsible, and safe learners. A total of 306 postcards and other contacts (via telephone or email) have been made to recognize and reinforce positive student behavior. We are happy to report that 689 good deeds for others have also been reported to the office.

## Calendar of Events



**6/10:** Mrs. Tetrault's Class  
Fieldtrip to Post Office

**6/11:** Mrs. Slack's Class Fieldtrip to Post  
Office

**6/14:** Farewell Assembly (8:30 a.m.)  
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**6/14:** Last Day of School for Students.  
(School will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m.)

## Labels for Education and Box Tops for Kids



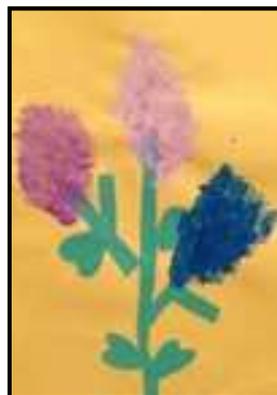
Dear C.P. Smith Community,

Thank you for all of your great work in collecting Labels for Education and Box Tops. This year we have raised **3000 points** from Labels for Education! These points help us buy supplies for the classrooms. We have raised over **\$235.00** in Box Tops! The PTO uses this money to help fund the extra events here at C.P. Smith.

To inspire you to keep collecting through the summer I have added a full bug collection sheet! See you in September. Have a great summer!

Box Tops Coordinator, Jennifer Reay

## C.P. Smith Student Art Gallery



## News from the Learning Center



For the last two weeks of school students continue to visit the Learning Center for read-alouds and lessons. Since students are no longer checking out books they have been choosing learning and explore stations during the last 15 minutes of their 45 minutes in the library. Some of their options have been playing games (Memory, Checkers, Apples to Apples, Guess Who), ipad strategy games, jigsaw puzzles, mosaic coloring creations, and reading. Ask them about the stations they choose.

Also, notices were sent home at the beginning of this week with students who still have unreturned books to the library. *Your help in finding these books is greatly appreciated!*