

# SMITH TIMES

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## The Principal's Corner

We're now settling in to this new school year. It is so great to have children back in the building again!



Our "Curriculum and Cones" event is a new format this year: combining Curriculum Night and our Ice-Cream Social into one event. That will be held on Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup> with Grades K-2 classroom presentations running from 6:00-6:30 p.m. and those in Grades 3-5 from 6:35-7:05 p.m., with the social lasting until 7:30 p.m. This will be a great way to learn about your children's classroom experiences and meet other families, as well. It is being sponsored by our wonderful P.T.O. group, which works very hard to plan and implement many programs and activities throughout the year. Student participation in this event varies class by class. (You will be receiving specific information from your children's teachers about this if you have not already.) Please note that childcare will be provided in the small gym for those students not participating in classroom events. The larger end of the gym (near the kitchen) will be open for the ice-cream social from 6:00-7:30 p.m.



Our first monthly P.T.O. Meeting of the year will take place on Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the school library. Please join us!

This is a reminder that the Supplemental Educational Services (SES) form for eligible students to receive afterschool tutoring support is due at the school on or by Wednesday, September 18, 2013.

I will be participating in the Muscular Dystrophy Association's annual "MDA Lock-up" event which "arrests" volunteers such as I who need to raise a designated amount in order to be "bailed

out." This event takes place on Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. Can you help? If you would like to donate to this very worthy organization which raises money on behalf of children and adults in our community with muscle disease, please drop off your donation with me at the main office. Checks may be made out to the MDA, or you may contribute online at <http://www.mdalockup.org/burlingtonlockup>. On behalf of the MDA, I thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Thank you for all you do to make our school a community of respectful, responsible, and safe learners.



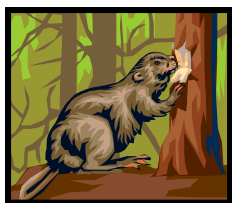
*C.P. Smith students on the first day of school.*

## Calendar of Events



- 9/9:** P.T.O. Meeting  
(6:30-8:00 p.m.) -- Library
- 9/12:** "Curriculum and Cones" School  
Gathering (Grades K-2 Classroom  
Presentations K-2 -6:00-6:30 p.m. and  
Grades 3-5 - 6:35-7:05 p.m. Ice-Cream  
Social ends at 7:30 p.m.)
- 9/18:** Supplemental Educational Services  
Forms Due Back at Office.
- 9/19:** School Picture Day
- 10/17:** Parent-Teacher Conferences (School  
will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m.)
- 10/18:** Parent-Teacher Conferences (No  
School)
- 10/21 – 10/25:** Book Fair

## Calling All Parents!



Don't miss an opportunity to help out in your child's classroom! The 4 Winds program is an amazing way for the students to get hands-on experience with our natural surroundings. This year we are learning about spiders, beavers and muskrats, and much more local flora and fauna! We will have 4 lessons throughout the school year and each class usually has two parent volunteers per lesson. The students love the lessons and even if you already consider yourself a naturalist you too will learn a lot! This is a great way to meet the students and teachers. Please contact Kristine Guthrie for details. [kristineguthrie@ymail.com/802338-8119](mailto:kristineguthrie@ymail.com/802338-8119) cell

Thanks,  
Kristine

## P.E. News from Ms. Souliere



Please send sneakers to school everyday with your child/children. Classroom teachers can tell you what days are Physical Education days. Sneakers are also safer to use at recess which is everyday for students. If you have any questions about what type of sneaker is acceptable for PE class please feel free to contact me. Generally, any sneaker that covers a child's foot and has a normal size sole is perfect support for them. High soled sneakers are not allowed.

## School Photo Day



Thursday, September 19th will be the day that our students will have their school photos taken by Ambient Photography. Please look for an order form to be sent home soon by your child's teacher. All children will be provided with a free group shot of the whole class.

## New from the Cub Scouts

Are you interested in Cub Scouting (Grades 1-5) and want to learn more? Join Pack 651 for our BACK TO THE PACK & NEW CUB SCOUT REGISTRATION NIGHT on Friday, September 6th at 6:30 PM at C.P. Smith. If you need more information or are unable to attend on the 6th, please feel free to contact Nancy Bean. She can be reached at 862-5394.

