

SMITH TIMES

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The Principal's Corner

Greetings!

Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held next week. We look forward to meeting with you on behalf of your children, whom you entrust to us for their academic development. If you have not yet done so, please schedule a conference with each of your children's teachers. Please call the school at 864-8479 if you would like assistance with scheduling. *Our school's food pantry will have nonperishable food items on a table in the lobby during conferences on Thursday and Friday. If your family is in need of food support during the weekend, please take what you need from that table.*



The avid reader holding the winning ticket for September was Luke Van Marter-Brown. Congratulations, Luke! Keep reading, Everyone! A total of 274 tickets were given out in September, and I had many wonderful conversations with

students about the books they're reading. During October, students will continue to receive one ticket for each book they read (or have read to them) and bring in to talk to me about. In order to encourage student visits to our wonderful city library, the Fletcher Free Library on College Street, students will receive two tickets for each book checked out from that library and read and brought to me. For more information about the Fletcher Free Library, please pick up a copy of their monthly newsletter/calendar from the kiosk in our lobby.

Our community partner, the Heineberg Community Center, is sponsoring a luncheon for grandparents (and great-grandparents!) and their grandchildren or great-grandchildren. The luncheon will take place on Thursday, October 29th at 11:45 a.m. Please pick up from the kiosk in the lobby a permission form if you would like your children to participate in this special event with their grandparents and/or great-grandparents. (Forms are also available at the H.C.C.) We will need to give the H.C.C. the number of those who will be attending by Wednesday, October 21st. Grandparents/great-grandparents will be asked to pick up children at the school at 11:30 a.m., drive or walk

together over to the center and then return to school after the luncheon is over. For more information about the luncheon, please contact the school at 864-8479.



We are seeking volunteers to help out in our cafeteria at least once a week during the lunch periods (11:40 a.m.-12:05 p.m. for Grades K-2 and 12:05-12:30 p.m. for Grades 3-5). Volunteers assist students in lining up, making healthy food and

portion choices at the salad bar, and in composting their leftover food scraps. If you can help with this, please call me at the school. Thank you!

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

From the PTO



Hello, families! We are still seeking Room Parent volunteers! It's a really fun way to be involved in your child's class. Questions or to sign up call Christine at 802-578-3036 or email vtstiner@hotmail.com (or

contact Tina in the front office by October 6th.) Thanks!

Walk to School Day is October 7th!

Remember to walk or bike to school next Wednesday, October 7th. It is International Walk to School Day and we would love to see all our students and their parents or other relatives/guardians participate in this worthwhile event. Those who live further away are encouraged to park & walk.

News from Around the School



Students in Mrs. Shelley Spinner's Grade 1 class are happy to be reading in book groups now. They are also working hard in Math and can say the addition facts for all numbers up to 8.

Students in Mrs. Kelly Mancuso's Grade 3 class enjoyed their recent fieldtrip to Mt. Philo. They are reading the book, The BFG, by Roald Dahl and are also now working in their Spelling groups.

We are excited that Mrs. Connie Guyette was approved by the Burlington Board of School Commissioners to teach with Ms. Kim Brockway in her Grade 4 class. They will be sharing this teaching assignment for the remainder of the 2015-16 school year. Mrs. Guyette has worked at our school for many years and has co-taught with other teachers during this time.

Grade 5 students in the classes of Mrs. Sarah Erkson, Mrs. Carol McHugh, and Mr. Dale Pecor are excitedly participating in the StarBase Program, sponsored by the Vermont Air National Guard.

Burlington School District Community Forums

Superintendent Yaw Obeng invites all to attend one of three upcoming Community Forums, to gather information on Burlington School District needs, wants, aspirations and ideas. This information will assist in the development of strategic alignment and also support a multi-year planning process that will guide us to the type of educational system we can all be proud of.

Tuesday, October 27, 6:30PM, Champlain Elementary School

Wednesday, October 28, 6:30PM, Burlington High School

Thursday, October 29, 6:30PM, Hunt Middle School

Please RSVP, with any childcare or translation needs, to mkalman@bsdvt.org or 864-8474. Visit www.bsdvt.org for upcoming details. We hope to see you there!

Also, please note that the Superintendent's 100 Day Entry Plan is posted at www.bsdvt.org.

Box Tops Update

Everyone did a great job turning in Box Tops during the month of September. Together we have so far collected almost 900 Box Tops this year - and we're 15% of the way to our goal of 6,000 Box Tops! Fall is creeping in, and we'd love for your Box Tops to still creep their way into the collection bins. Attached you will find a new collection sheet to help your child build our school's Box Tops earnings.

The winner for September's prize drawing (for the set of super lunchbox napkins) was Ava Tonizzo. Congratulations! On November 2nd we'll have our next prize drawing. All your child has to do to get their name entered is to turn in Box Tops anytime during the month of October. This month's prize is a set of bike helmet ear warmers to help protect your child's ears from the creeping cold on their way to and from school.

Box Tops can be turned in on the collection sheets, in bags or envelopes. There are collection bins in the classrooms and also one in the office. Whichever way you choose to turn them in, make sure your child's name is on there so they are entered into the prize drawing!

If you have any questions about the program, or would like to donate a prize or help with promotion, please contact Shy Lalumiere at shylmrl@hotmail.com

Calendar of Events



10/8 – 10/9: Parent-Teacher Conferences (Some may be on 10/6, 10/7, or 10/13)

10/7: International Walk to School Day

10/12: Columbus Day Holiday (No school)

10/19: P.T.O. Meeting/Dinner (5:30-7:00 p.m.)
-- Library

10/29: Grandparent Luncheon at the Heineberg Community Center (Meet at Smith at 11:30 a.m.)

10/30: Community Connection Breakfast (8:00 a.m.) -- Cafeteria/Tour of Building

10/30: Halloween Family Fun Night (6:00-8:00 p.m.)

11/2: Book Fair Week Begins
Book Fair Family Night (5:30-7:30 p.m.)

Burlington School District Prek-8 - Lunch Menu
October 2015



INCLUDED WITH EVERY LUNCH

Milk, Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Bar, Hummus or Soup

Our Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Bar features an ever-changing assortment of fruit, vegetables, whole grains, soups, homemade salads, nutty cheese and dairy selections.

We go step-by-step to make every day available every day!



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	October			
5	6	7	8	9
Chicken Patty Sandwich Baked Potato	PIZZA DAY! Cheese, Pepperoni or Veggie	Shepherd's Pie Whole Wheat Roll	EARLY RELEASE DAY Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Veggie Sacks & Dip	NO SCHOOL PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES
12	13	14	15	16
NO CLASSES	PIZZA DAYS! Cheese, Pepperoni or Veggie	Chicken or Bean Fajita with Lettuce, Cheddar, Salsa & Sour Cream	Baked Ziti Mediterranean Vegetable	Mexiball Sub with Marinara Sauce Roasted Roots
19	20	21	22	23
Chicken Patty Sandwich Baked Potato	PIZZA DAY! Cheese, Pepperoni or Veggie	Nachos with Ground Beef or Seasoned Beans & "All the fixings"	Spaghetti & Meatballs Broccoli	All Beet Burger or Cheese Burger Roasted Roots
26	27	28	29	30
Chicken Nuggets Sweet Potato Tater Tots	PIZZA DAY! Cheese, Pepperoni or Veggie	Sloppy Joe on a WWI Roll Green Beans	Chicken & Noodles Roasted Broccoli	Cheesy Breadsticks with Marinara Sauce Cauliflower



Vermont Milk Choices
1% White Milk
Fat Free White Milk
Chocolate Milk

K-5



Menu items are subject to change without notice. We offer a variety of choices every day. For more information, please contact us at 804-8410 or schoolfood@psdsd.us.

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BURLINGTON SCHOOL FOOD PROJECT

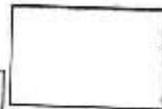
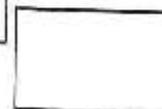
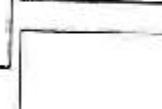
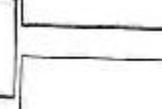
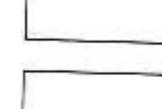
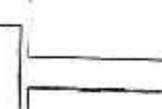
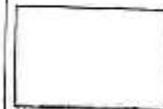
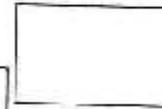
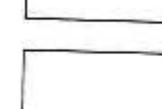
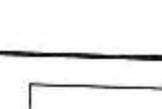
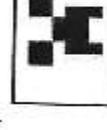
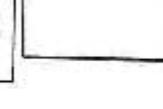
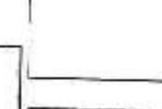
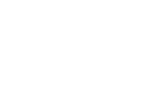
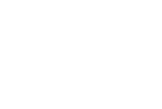


CRAFT SOME CASH FOR CP SMITH

LET'S CREEP OUR WAY TO OUR BOX TOP'S GOAL!

Every Box Top is worth 10 cents. So don't toss them - upcycle them into cash for our school! Craft some creepers and turn them in for a chance to win a cool prize.

Tape or glue one Box Top to each rectangle (no staples, please!)



Name _____
Grade _____
Teacher _____