

SMITH TIMES

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The Principal's Corner

Report cards are being distributed to students today. Please contact the school if you do not receive a report for your child.



We had a wonderful Veterans' Day Assembly last Friday morning, thanks to the hard work of Mr. Joe Garofalo, our Music Teacher, Mrs. Colleen Springer, our Library/Media Specialist, Grade 5 Teachers

Mrs. Sally Hayes, Mr. Joshua Safran, Ms. Sarah Minkler, and Mr. Dale Pecor, and their students. Students read moving tributes to those who served our country so bravely and selflessly. We thanked the members of the audience who have served our country. Honoring veterans is a wonderful annual tradition here at Smith School.

Math Night was a big success last evening. Thanks to the hard work of committee members (whom I will name next week not wanting to leave anyone out), students and their family members were able to actively participate in a night of fun learning.

Representatives of the North Avenue Alliance Church and St. Mark's Church here in the neighborhood asked me to mention that they will again be joining together to serve and deliver Thanksgiving dinners to people who need them on Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 22nd) from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Meals are free of charge. If you are interested in having these meals delivered to your home on Thanksgiving Day, please contact me at the school. Please pass this message on to others in our community who may wish to have meals delivered to them. Our Full Bag Pantry is open every Friday afternoon from 2:30-3:15 p.m. If you wish some food support for your family during the weekend, please take a knapsack of food from the cart near the side door of the school and return the empty knapsack on Monday for use that week.

Speaking of Thanksgiving, Mrs. Judy Carpenter's and Mrs. Patty Kissell's classes recently presented a holiday program to our good friends and neighbors at the Heineberg Senior Center. Mrs. Kissell's class also presented a play entitled, "The Animals Give Thanks," to an adoring audience of parents/guardians and other family members. We hope all the members of your family will have a safe and enjoyable Thanksgiving holiday.

We're hoping to form a Destination Imagination team of students at C.P. Smith School. Please watch next week's newsletter for more information. A parent meeting to find out more about Destination Imagination will be held at the school on Thursday, November 29th at 6:00 p.m.

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 158 postcards and other contacts (via telephone or email) have been made to recognize and reinforce positive student behavior.



C.P. Smith staff and families enjoyed Math Night on November 15th.

Calendar of Events



11/16: Report Cards
Distributed to Students

11/16: Full Bag Pantry (2:30-3:15 p.m.) Cart by side door of school.

11/21, 11/22, and 11/23: Thanksgiving Recess
(No School)

11/29: Destination Imagination Informational Meeting for Parents/Guardians (6:00 p.m.)

11/30: Community Connection Meeting
(9:00-10:00 a.m.) -- Principal's Office

11/30: Full Bag Pantry (2:30-3:15 p.m.) Cart by side door of school.

12/5: School Assembly with Artist Woody Jackson (1:45-2:40 p.m.) -- Gym

12/10: Kids Only Shopping Extravaganza (8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.)

12/10: PTO Meeting (6:30-8:00 p.m.) -- Ellie B. McNamara Memorial Library

12/12: Teacher Inservice in the Afternoon. School Dismissed at 11:30 a.m.

12/14: Celebrations Around the World Concert (1:15 p.m.) -- Gym

12/17 – 12/19: Tryouts for “Alice in Wonderland” (12:00-2:00 p.m.) -- Principal's Office

12/24 – 1/1/13: School Vacation

1/2/13: School Resumes

Holiday Help

Thanksgiving meals:

Chittenden Emergency Food Shelf

228 North Winooski Ave

Burlington, VT

802-658-7939

Meal on Wed, Nov 21 at 1:00



Sweetwaters

120 Church St

Burlington, VT

802-9800

Meal on Thanksgiving day 10-5

Holiday Gifts:

Salvation Army

64 Main St

Burlington, VT

802-864-9256

Sign up for toys Tues-Fri

10-1 through November 30

Need photo ID, Social Security or medical cards for kids, proofs of income and expenses (rent, utilities, etc)



Chances for Christmas

likely out of the Champlain Mill in Winooski

contact Kathy Eli 777-5130

Will need SS cards for kids, photo ID for adults



C.P. Smith PTO Greeting Card Fundraiser

C.P. Smith PTO will be holding a new fundraiser this year called Cardraising. We are working with a local fundraising company to take part in this fun and easy greeting card fundraiser. Do you order holiday photo cards every year through companies like Shutterfly or Costco? Try something new this year and order your holiday cards through Cardraising. There are thousands of quality designs to choose from or you can create your own style. Ordering is simple to do and everything is done online and orders will ship directly to your home. Through this fundraiser CP Smith PTO will receive 30% of the proceeds. The money we raise will go back into the school to support various activities including classroom mini-grants, school play, and four winds nature program, just to name a few. A flyer has gone home with instructions on how to access the website, from there you find our school and start placing your order, it's that simple. If you have any questions please contact Jennifer L'Ecuyer at jlecuyer7@gmail.com or 660-9669. Thank you for your support. CP Smith PTO