

# SMITH TIMES

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## The Principal's Corner

Greetings!

We're always looking for ways to protect our environment and save money doing so. Last week, I wrote a reminder about shutting off car engines when picking up children from school. This week,



I'd like to mention that in order to reduce paper consumption, we are encouraging families to read this weekly newsletter electronically, along with regular updates from the P.T.O. The more the newsletter is read

electronically, the fewer paper copies we will need to print and distribute each week. Attached to this newsletter you will find a form to fill out indicating that you wish to continue to receive a paper copy of the newsletter. Otherwise, your email address will be shared with the P.T.O. as part of a subscription list that will include updates from the school, information from the P.T.O., and the weekly newsletter. **If you wish to receive the newsletter and updates from the P.T.O electronically, you need to do nothing. You will automatically be added to the P.T.O. blog subscription list. The P.T.O. will not share your email address with any other entity without your permission.** We are interested in cutting back on the hard copy format of our newsletter in order to save time, paper, and money, and we're excited about the P.T.O. blog, too, as another way for all of us to keep in touch with each other.

It's exciting to again be working with the Very Merry Theater to bring to the stage our annual play, which this year will be "The Hobbit." Performances will take place in February, and auditions will take place next week. Information has been sent home separately to parents/guardians of students in these grades.

Would your daughter or son (age 8-14) be interested in the Junior Community Police Academy, which is being hosted by the Burlington Police Department? For more information, please refer to the attachment to this newsletter and/or contact Kimberly Caron at the B.P.D. at 540-2107 or visit the department's website at [www.bpdvt.org](http://www.bpdvt.org). Information is also posted on the community kiosk in our front lobby.



Free lunches will be served in our school cafeteria on the Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays of school vacation (that's December 22, 23, 24, 29, 30, and 31) from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. No need to sign up. Just show up! This is for all Burlington children, regardless of whether or not they are enrolled in one of our district schools. Many thanks to Mr. Doug Davis, Director of the Burlington School District's Food Service Department, for helping to make possible holiday lunches for Burlington children.

Please join us for our monthly Community Connection gathering on Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-9:00 a.m. We meet for breakfast and then a tour of and discussion about the school. We encourage community members to join us for this, too.

Thank you 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.

## Calendar of Events



**12/15- 12/16:** Auditions for “The Hobbit”

**12/16:** Celebrations Around the World Assembly (1:30 p.m.) -- Gym

**12/19:** Community Connection Gathering (8:00-9:00 a.m.) -- Cafeteria *Come join us for breakfast!*

**12/22 – 1/2:** Holiday Vacation

**1/5:** School Resumes After Holiday Vacation

**1/12:** P.T.O. Meeting/Dinner (5:30-7:00 p.m.)

**1/14:** “Math Night”

**1/19:** Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday (No School)

**1/22:** International Celebration Dinner (5:30-7:00 p.m.)

**1/30:** Community Connection Gathering/Annual Title I Meeting (8:00-9:00 a.m.) -- Cafeteria

## Girls on the Run - Coaches/ Volunteers Needed



Girls on the Run is a transformational physical activity based positive youth development program for girls in 3rd-8th grade. We teach life skills through dynamic, interactive

lessons and running games. The program culminates with the girls being physically and emotionally prepared to complete a celebratory 5k running event. Meets after school 2 days a week for 12 weeks.

Some coaches are returning but if you are interested please email Keri Crafts at [keri@place-design.com](mailto:keri@place-design.com) or tell Tina in the front office. Sign up for girls grades 3-5 will be early next year.

## News from Around the School



Mrs. Kerrin Flanagan reports that her Grade 1 students are reading “Frog and Toad” stories to help them learn about characters. Students have also been working on their writing, and their How-

To stories are really coming along! In Science, they are comparing solids and liquids.

Ms. Kim Brockway reports that her Grade 4 students are working on a Character unit. In this reading unit, students think about their character, and try to see how their characters think and feel. They develop ideas about their characters and look for evidence in their reading to support their thinking.

In Science, they are working on a Land and Water unit. Using a stream table, students are exploring different interactions between land and water. Students design and conduct experiments and test their predictions.

Students in Grades 3,4, and 5 will soon have the chance to work with the Very Merry Theater afterschool to bring “The Hobbit” to the stage in February. Auditions will take place next week. Information will be sent home separately to parents/guardians of students in these grades.

Student Council members are collecting donations of nonperishable food items for members of our community in need. This is their first service project of the school year, and we have been pleased with the response so far. Many thanks for your generosity. The council will be collecting donations through December 18<sup>th</sup>.

## C.P. Smith Food Drive

C.P. Smith Student Council is organizing a food drive to help out people less fortunate than others. We will be collecting non perishable food like canned food, cereals , pasta and other dry foods. The food drive begins December 8th through December 18th. Your donations can be left in the food drive box in the lobby. If every student brought in 1 pound of food , we could donate 230 pounds of food. Go C.P. Smith Cats!!



# *C.P. Smith School Goes Paperless!*

Dear Smith families,

With your help we have an opportunity to greatly reduce our paper consumption at CP Smith School!

At the beginning of the school year most of you provided us with your email addresses along with your contact information. We would like to share your email addresses with the CP Smith Parent Teacher Organization. Your address will be added to the subscription list to the PTO blog/website meaning that you will get updates via email whenever a new post is added to the blog. These posts include photos and updates from school, information from the PTO, and, newly included, the **weekly Smith Times newsletter**.

Once you are receiving the Smith Times electronically, we will no longer send a paper copy home with every student. By doing this we will enormously reduce our paper consumption.

If this is ok with you, there is no need for you to act. **You will automatically be added to the PTO blog subscription list.** The PTO will absolutely NOT share your email address with any other entity without your permission.

**If you would prefer not to be subscribed and continue to receive a paper copy of the Smith Times OR your email address has recently changed, please fill out the form below and return it to your child's teacher.**

Thank you!

### **CP Smith Subscription Withdrawal Form**

Student name(s) and grade(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Only send this form back to request the following:

- Please do not share my email address with the PTO.
- Please continue to send me a paper copy of the weekly Smith Times newsletter.
- My address has changed. My new address is \_\_\_\_\_





**School Food Menu**  
This month, we are growing delicious greens at the Intervale Community Farm (ICF), in Burlington and

Pete's Greens (10) in Craftsbury. Taste the local difference!



**BURLINGTON SCHOOL FOOD PROJECT**



## Burlington School District K-8 Lunch Menu – January 2015

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5 Honey-Soasted Chicken & Sweet Potato "Fries"	6 PIZZA TUESDAY! Cheese, Pepperoni or Veggie Pizza Zesty Caesar Salad with Crunchy Croutons	7 TACO DAY Soft Tostitos with Seasoned Beef or Cheese & Cheddar - Cheese Cauliflower Caramitas with Dip	8 Cheesy Breadsticks Minion or "It's a Party" Sauce Dip: Cream & Cauliflower	9 Hearty Chicken Pot Pie with Biscuit. Roasted Winter Squash
12 Chicken Batty Sandwich & Crispy Zucchini Bar (Crispy, Sour Cream Sauce)	13 PIZZA TUESDAY! Cheese, Pepperoni or Veggie Pizza Zesty Caesar Salad with Crunchy Croutons	14 Spaghetti & Meatballs with Pesto Marinara Chef's Choice Broccoli	15 FRIDAY! Hamburgers, Cheeseburger or Veggie Burger "Franklin's Fries"	16 BRUNCH LUNCH FAP & UT-ESC Sandwich English Muffin Turkey Sausage & Roasted Fries
19 HOLIDAY NO SCHOOL	20 PIZZA TUESDAY! Cheese, Pepperoni or Veggie Pizza Zesty Caesar Salad with Crunchy Croutons	21 Mac'n'Cheese with Pesto Veggies Crispy Chicken Green Beans	22 -AJITA DAY! Chicken Fajita with Caramelized Onions Cheddar Cheese Black Beans & Rice	23 A. Beef Hot Dog or a Bun Vegetarian Baked Beans
26 Chicken Parmesan Spiral Zucchini with Marinara Peas & Lent	27 PIZZA TUESDAY! Cheese, Pepperoni or Veggie Pizza Zesty Caesar Salad with Crunchy Croutons	28 Stuffed Potatoes Beef or Vegetarian Sausage Sausage Sausage Sausage	29 Crispy Chicken Dippers & Sweet Potato Waffle "Fries"	30 Cheesy Baked Ziti & Honey Glazed Squash



**INCLUDED WITH EVERY LUNCH**  
Milk  
Fresh Fruit & Salad Bar  
Unlimited Soft Drink

170 Salad Bars feature an ever changing assortment of fresh vegetables, whole grains, beans, homemade salads, meats, cheeses and yogurt selections.

Daily Sandwich choices include: PB&J, Turkey and Cheese.

**Vegetarian Options:** available every day

**Vermont Milk Choices:**  
-2% White  
-Fat Free White  
-1% Tea Chocolate



Menu items are subject to change without notice. We offer a variety of choices every day. For more information, please contact us at 864-8833 or [schoolfood@bsdvt.org](mailto:schoolfood@bsdvt.org).

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