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299 Main St, Burlington, VT 05401 • 864-1791 From the Principal's Desk

When students step up to do something, it's always exciting. Sometimes they take on small things and some times they take on bigger tasks.

We have two boys that have taken it upon themselves to be in charge of making sure that sleds are put away neatly every day. No one asked them to do it. They simply recognized that it needs to be done consistently and well. Putting away 54 sleds, with about 20 in one size and the balance a larger size, requires that things be done "just so". The students need to stack them properly in order for them to fit in the bins, not spill out all over the floor by the end of the day, causing problems for our custodians. Children are all in a hurry and different children are bringing the sleds back every day so there is no guarantee that they know what to do. Eli Hand and Ahmed Chabi take it in stride, giving directions and setting things right when they go awry.

Another example of service to our Community comes from a group of fifth grade girls; Megan Goldsmith, Elizabeth Cunningham, Sophia Ambroggio, Ione Burns and Evey Slavik. They voluntarily took on a Meals on Wheels Fundraiser in support of the Pack They have done some research to understand how Meals on Wheels helps the elderly and the disabled in order to create messages helping their classmates to understand the fundraising effort. Then they added fun and excitement by creating an Edmunds Olympic themed race down the stairwell. They've created "ski racers" for each class to race down through the gates and have been tracking the progress of the skiers as the money has been coming in.

It is a wonderful thing to see our students take the initiative to do things that benefit others. Their willingness to support their community and contribute is exciting to witness. A giant thank you and well done to all of these students.

February 9, 2018

Up Coming Events:

Date and Volume Number

Feb. 9: PACK THE GUT - 7:00 PM

Feb. 15: Fine Arts Night (Grades 3-5) - 6:00 PM

Feb. 23: Reports Cards Go Home

Feb. 26 - Mar. 5: Spring Break - NO SCHOOL

Whole School Assembly February 15, 2018 100th Day Kindergarten Presenting

FINE ARTS NIGHT (GRADES 3-5) FEBRUARY 15, 6-7:30PM

Please join us for an evening of visual art and music brought to you by the 3rd, 4th and 5th graders of Edmunds
Elementary and the EES 4/5 Chorus! The art show begins at 6:00 in the first floor hallway of EES and is followed by a music performance in the middle school gymnasium at 6:30. The doors to the performance do not open until 6:20 to allow time for the space to be set for the show. Every child has an important role to play in the performance. Please let us know if we can support your child's participation. Thanks! Betsy Nolan (enolan@bsdvt.org) and Joanna Elliot (jelliot@bsdvt.org)

FIDDLE TUNES CLUB AT EES!

Fiddle Tunes Club at The Burlington Elementary School with Mark Sustic begins the week of March 12, 2018 and continues for 5 consecutive Weeks. The club is offered at no cost to students or schools and is sponsored by BSD community partner Young Traditions Vermont (www.youngtraditionvermont.org). Any Burlington Elementary student with a fiddle and at least one year's experience playing is invited to participate. The club is designed to prepare the same music at all the elementary schools so we can come together and play for the Community Dance on Thursday evening May 3rd at Burlington High School. Sessions will be taught by Mark Sustic (mark.sustic@gmail.com) or other members of the Young Traditions teaching community.

Students from EES will meet Monday 3-4 pm in the music room. If you would like to get involved sign up here or get a signup sheet from Ms. Nolan.

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A NOTE FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE:

With cold and flu season upon us, please keep the following guidelines in mind when deciding whether or not to send your child to school. This will help to control the spread of infectious diseases at school and allow your child to be available for learning.

Students should remain home for the following reasons:

- For a temperature greater than
 100 degrees. Children are required to be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school without taking fever reducing medication to control symptoms.
- If your child has vomited or had persistent diarrhea during the night or in the morning before school.
- If your child has a heavy, moist productive cough, chest congestion with discolored nasal drainage.
- If your child has **flu-like symptoms**, please contact their pediatrician to get recommendations for care.

These guidelines are important for your child's health and the health of his/her classmates. Please continue to remind your child of the importance of frequent hand washing, healthy eating, and proper use and disposal of tissues during this cold and flu season. Please see the following guidelines from the Vermont Department of Health when deciding about care when you child is sick:

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Is it a Cold or is it the Flu?

Symptoms	Cold	Flu
Fever	Rare in adults, but can be as high as 102°F in infants and small children	Usually 102°F, can go to 104°F, lasts 3–4 days
Headache	Rare	Can be severe
General Aches, Pains	Mild	Usual; often severe
Fatigue, Weakness	Mild	Can last up to 2-3 weeks
Extreme Exhaustion	Never	Sudden onset, can be severe
Stuffy Nose	Often	Sometimes
Sneezing	Often	Sometimes
Sore Throat	Common	Sometimes
Chest Discomfort, Cough	Mild to moderate; hacking cough	Usual; can become severe
Complications	Sinus congestion or ear- ache	Bronchitis, pneumonia; can be life-threatening

PTO NEWS

PTO LEADERS: Leigh Fisher, Jenny Sullivan and Rachel Shelley PTO CONTACT: pto@eespto.org

BOX TOP\$ = PIZZA PARTY!!

Each classroom now has their very own pizza box to hold all those Box Tops for Education that are pouring in! Don't forget: the class that donates the greatest number of Box Tops by FEBRUARY 23will be treated to a pizza party!