



EDMUNDS
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY FLASH



299 Main St, Burlington, VT 05401 • 864-1791

Date and Volume Number

March 30, 2018

Up Coming Events:

April 12 - Fine Arts Night: K-2

April 23-27 - Spring Break: No School for Students

From the Principal's Desk

Superintendent Obeng has asked that all of us join in taking back and naming April 3rd as "Love Your Neighbor Day" in the Burlington School District. This call is in direct response to the international threat that has been directed towards the Muslim community, and particularly in response to the rhetoric of April 3rd being referred to as "Punish a Muslim Day," Melissa Hathaway has designed two Restorative Practice Circles for our classrooms so that our students will have age appropriate opportunities to reaffirm a value of loving our neighbors regardless of differences.

The remarkable thing I've learned about children is that they have a very strong sense of justice, of fairness, of right and wrong. The fact that they make mistakes isn't in any way a reflection of their ability to recognize the right thing to do and the way people should be treated. I have faith that the very fact that our children are able to learn and play together with all our differences will make our world a better, more peaceful place in which to live.

What Makes Us Different

What makes us different?

Let us count the ways.

Our gods and our religions,

Our language or our age.

What makes us different?

Let us count the ways.

The clothes we wear,

Our skin or hair, an accent or a phrase.

What makes us different?

Let us count the ways.

The food we eat,

The friends we meet,

The way we spend our days.

What makes us different?

Let us count the ways.

Age or youth or in between,

Or just our favorite football team.

Although we are so different,

Inside we are the same,

Respect traditions and beliefs,

Respect all hopes and dreams.

Lets link together,

And learn from all around,

No need to fight or criticize,

Hand in hand let's harmonize.

By Eve Grade 6

Whole School Assembly
April 5, 2018
PTO - Skate Night
Ms. Flaherty & Goldsmith Class Leading

MUSIC NEWS

Did you miss the 3-5 Fine Arts Night Concert?

Check out the videos at the [EES Music Web Page!!](#)

The next students' perform week will be April 16- 20. This is an opportunity for students in grades 2-5 to share musical learning from outside the music classroom. Students are welcome to drop off instruments in the music room at the beginning of the school day in order to keep them safe and have them ready for music.

CHORUS NEWS - SAVE THE DATE!!

The EES Chorus will be performing as a part of the Discover Jazz Festival at 12:45 on Tuesday, June 5, 2018. We have been assigned to the City Hall stage right at the base of Church Street. The kids are working hard to learn some classic tunes in the jazz style including pieces by Duke Ellington, Ray Charles and Stevie Wonder.

K-2 FINE ARTS NIGHT

Once a year, the Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade Edmunds Elementary School community gathers for a special evening: Fine Arts Night! All students will have artwork on display, and all students will have an important part in the music performance. This is our chance to celebrate the musical and visual arts in our community. All students are expected to participate, and all families and friends are welcome to attend. Come see their amazing work!!

Fine Arts Night is on Thursday, March 12

5:45 Art Show in the first floor hallway

6:20 Doors Open for the Concert

6:30 Concert begins in the middle school gymnasium



PTO NEWS

PTO LEADERS: Leigh Fisher, Jenny Sullivan and Rachel Shelley

PTO CONTACT: pto@eespto.org

A FRIENDLY REMINDER FROM YOUR MORNING TRAFFIC CIRCLE VOLUNTEERS:

Please refrain from passing vehicles in the traffic circle unless specifically directed to do so by the volunteer in the bright yellow vest. This creates a hazard for students exiting on the left side of vehicles, which is sometimes necessary due to car seats or other reasons. We recognize that morning drop-off is a hectic time, but please remember that safety is the top priority. If you are in a big hurry, consider pulling over on Main St. to let your children exit and walk to the building. Thanks for keeping us all safe and ensuring that this busy time goes smoothly for all!!

SKATE NIGHT FRIDAY, APRIL 6TH FROM 6-8PM

EES students and their families are invited to Leddy Ice Arena for a fun night of skating and socializing. The PTO will provide free pizza as well as skate rentals. If able please bring a snack, drink or dessert to share. Also seeking a few people to help staff the event. This is a night you don't want to miss. See you there! any questions please contact katelekstutis@gmail.com Skate Night Sign Up

EDMUNDS FAMILY COULD USE OUR HELP

John Clark, father to Jacob Reynolds, Shannon Graskey and Gage Clark, a member of a family within the Edmund's Elementary School Community has passed away after a long illness. Meals are very much appreciated. Cash donations and gift cards could also be helpful and can be given directly to Trish (Administrative Assistant at EES), Angele Paul, Melissa Hathaway, Danielle Weidman or Heather McMorris at school to be passed on to the family. A YouCaring site has also been set up by Karen Mitchell-Ruben to help cover funeral expenses and here is the link <https://www.youcaring.com/thefamilyofjohnclark-1144298>

<https://mealtrain.com/dm693l>

VERMONT COFFEE COMPANY ORDERS DUE TUESDAY APRIL 3RD

EES makes \$6/bag! Orders will be collected the third Tuesday of every month. This month orders will be delivered Friday, April 6th. Order forms at Front Office and EES PTO website. (<http://eespto.org/fundraisers/Vermont-coffee-fundraiser/>) Checks payable to EES PTO, OR Pay via PayPal; Please note in PayPal "Purpose Box" number of bags and coffee choice. Contact Pam Moreau (802.999.4590 or pmoreaulawvt@gmail.com)

SEEKING DONATIONS FOR THE MAYFAIR SILENT AUCTION

Each year, our on-line Mayfair Silent Auction raises thousands of dollars for the PTO. We are currently seeking donations of goods and services to include in this year's auction. If you or someone you know has something (a service, a product, a gift card, etc.) to donate, we would be extremely grateful. Please contact Stacey Kelleher for details. Staceyhk1568@yahoo.com (617)308-2475