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From the Principal's Desk

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Up Coming Events:

Nov. 5-9 Scholastic Book Fair: EES Library

Nov. 9 - EES Variety Show - 6:30 PM

Nov. 16 - Report Cards Go Home

Nov. 19 & 20 - Parent/Teacher Conferences

Nov. 21, 22, 23 - Thanksgiving Recess - NO SCHOOL

Burton, North Face, Lands End, Rugged Bear, Old Navy, Snozu, EMS, Camelback, Under Armor, Obermyer, Gap Kids, Banana Republic, Russel, Uni Qlo (I've never heard of it but the quality is beautiful). I'm not normally one to drop names, but these are a few of the name brands in our Lost and Found. As a parent, I cringe at the amount of clothing I see here because I know how expensive clothing can be, especially when you want the clothes to last for more than one year or to be able to hand down to the next child. We have coats, windbreakers, sweat shirts and sweaters, coats, hats, gloves, boots, pants, basically whole wardrobes (less undies) in the Lost and Found. We also have backpacks and lunch boxes. If we were to add up the full value, I'm sure it would exceed \$3,000 at retail. A lot of the items are quality clothing in good shape. Truth be told, most children don't even bother to look for their lost items.

Some things that you can do to recover clothing or prevent clothing from getting lost include:

(1) *Writing your child's name on the label with indelible marker.* There are even light colored markers that write on black so you don't need name tags. (2) *Gloves and mittens can be kept on strings that are fed through the sleeves of the coat* and hang with the coat. Or you could get the clips that go on the end of sleeves and attach them to your child's mittens (Joanne's Fabrics has them). (3) *Write your child's name on the inside of their boots or sneakers.* (4) *Expect your child to really look for their clothing.*

We know that many children get hot running around during recess and take their jackets off and forget about them when coming back in. I am asking the faculty to be sure to remind students to think about what they are wearing when they go outside for recess, and before they come back inside to see if we can reduce the amount of lost clothing.

If you are looking for lost items, we've moved the Lost and Found to the second floor, in the small hallway leading to Melissa Hathaway's office to the left of the office. We had a heavy duty rod installed so that we could hang the clothes up to make it easier to see what is there. We are currently out of hangers and would gratefully accept donations of hangers that are in good shape and can hold up winter coats. We currently have a lot of sweatshirts, fleece jackets, sweaters and some sweat pants which I will be taking home to wash. Once clean, they will be put on hangers as room allows or folded neatly for display. The amount of clothing that is already in our Lost and Found is spilling over and we need to reduce it to a manageable amount. The items

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currently in Lost and Found will be on display through the week leading up to the Thanksgiving break. Please be sure to check through it while you are here for Parent/Teacher Conferences. If you go through the folded items, please be sure to keep the clothing organized for the next person looking.

When we come back from the Thanksgiving break, we will donate all lighter weight clothes like sweaters, fleeces, wind breakers, sweatshirts etc. to Goodwill. Winter coats, snow pants, boots, hats and mittens that have not been claimed will be considered donated and we will allow students needing those items to take them.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Scheduling for Parent/Teacher conferences has begun; for our new families, our district uses an online scheduling system called **PTC Fast**, which allows you to select the teacher(s) with whom you would like to conference with by registering your email address. You are able to view and select an available conference time that works for you! **Conferences can be scheduled from November 12th through November 19th.** The web link for EES Parent Teacher Conference scheduling is

[https://ptcfast.com/schools/Edmunds Elementary School](https://ptcfast.com/schools/Edmunds_Elementary_School) and is also available on the EES home page. Frequently asked questions can be found here:

<http://tinyurl.com/eesptcsupport> If you need assistance, please call the office at 864-8473.



PARENT-TEACHER
Conference



EES SCHOOL PLAY!

Hello, my name is Genie Henry, and I am coordinating the school play this year! We are excited to announce that the Edmunds Elementary School Play this year will be Mulan! There will be lots of fantastic parts and we hope to see many of 3rd-5th graders participate as well as 1st & 2nd graders sign up for the play chorus! Rehearsals will start in January and the play will be on March 15th & 16th. For any questions please contact Genie at geniehenry@gmail.com or 802-373-3236

**EES VARIETY SHOW!**

The EES Variety Show will be on Friday November 9th at 6:30 PM in the middle school gymnasium. Many students have been working hard to create acts that are appropriate, practiced and timely. All EES families are invited to come and enjoy the show! There will be a **mandatory technical rehearsal** from 3-4:30 on Thursday, November 8th on the EMS stage for all students performing small group or solo acts in the Variety Show. The Chorus will **NOT** be rehearsing at this event only student generated acts should plan to attend. Students who are working back stage should plan to attend.

EES CHORUS

The EES Chorus will be having their **first performance** of the year at the Variety show on **November 9th at 6:30 PM** in the EMS Gymnasium. All chorus students should plan to attend. Dress for the chorus is blue chorus tee-shirts. New shirt have arrived! We will preview the Variety Show at next Thursday's Assembly so, please help your kids remember to wear their **chorus tees on Thursday!** The chorus will also be sponsoring a bake sale at the event to raise money to support chorus events! Sign up [here](#) if you would like to donate an item for the bake sale.

COMPOSITION CLUB

Composition Club is a music technology club for students in grades 3-5 that invites interested students to write music using music notation software and music looping software. Participants will also be eligible to submit work for mentoring and for the OPUS composition contest sponsored by [Music-comp](#). Composition club will meet on Mondays from 2:50-3:30 November 5th - February 18th. [Sign Up Here](#). Please refer all questions to Ms. Nolan: enolan@bsdvt.org

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Our annual Book Fair will be held this year from **November 5 - 9** in the **Edmunds Elementary School Library**. This is first time we will be holding our fair in our own library! Scholastic will once again be providing the books for our sale. Students will have the opportunity to shop during the day. We will also be open after school during the following times:

Monday, Nov. 5th - 2:50 - 3:30 pm

Tuesday, Nov. 6th - 2:50- 4:00 pm & 5:00 - 6:00 pm

Wednesday, Nov. 7th - 1:50 - 2:30 pm

Thursday, Nov. 8th - 2:50 - 3:30 pm

Friday, Nov. 10th - 1:50 - 3:00 pm

Special Family Night - Come Vote and Shop!

Tuesday Nov. 6th 5:00 to 6:00 pm

Please come join us if you can to shop and help support our library! A letter is being sent home with more details about the fair so be on the lookout for it. To view our online fair use this link: <http://www.scholastic.com/bf/ees>

Thank you! Kathryn Neil, EES Librarian

PTO NEWS

PTO LEADERS: Leigh Fisher, Jenny Sullivan and Rachel Shelley

PTO CONTACT: pto@eespto.org

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR NOVEMBER 5-9 VOLUNTEERS**NEEDED!**

Ms. Neil is seeking volunteers to help out with the cash register, setting up the displays, taking down the displays, keeping the displays orderly and the carts replenished along with aiding in book selection with the students who need this support. If you are able to help with this, please contact Kathy Neil at kneil@bsdvt.org

COAT SWAP BEGAN OCTOBER 22

The Edmunds Elementary annual coat swap is kicked off on October 22nd. There are rolling racks in the front lobby where you can bring clean, used coats, snow pants, and winter-wear like hats, scarves, and gloves. Please bring your coats on the hangers, if possible. All donations are greatly appreciated by the EES community. Remember, you do not have to donate in order to be the recipient of a cozy, warm coat and accessories!

FROM THE COMMUNITY

The Tibetan Association proudly presents the Tibet Festival, Saturday, November 10th beginning at 10:30 am. Come enjoy traditional dances, crafts, food and songs. Free Admission

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Tibet Festival

November 10, Saturday, 2018
10:30 am to 5:30 pm

FREE Admission

Potala the winter palace of His Holiness the Dalai Lama

Fun for the whole family !
Enjoy Tibetan Traditional Dances, crafts, food and Songs along with Mesmerizing Yak and Snow Lion Dance.

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Tibetan Association of Vermont. www.vermonttibet.org

Donations encouraged, to benefit the Tibetan Community Center of Vermont.