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# From the Principal's Desk

We had an exciting day last Friday at EES. We had a Whole School Bee Celebration to mark every classroom earning 100 bees for meeting our expectations. When we see a student doing what we are asking for, we give them a bee card and verbally acknowledge their behavior which serves as a gentle reminder to their classmates to join them in that behavior. Each classroom collects the bee cards in a 100's chart which all the students contribute to as they earn their individual bees. We also announce when a classroom has earned another 100 bees in our morning announcements.

Fridays Whole School Celebration included giving every student an Edmunds Elementary T-Shirt. The shirts are symbolic of being a part of our community; of all working together on the same team. It was exciting to be able to have everyone share this special treat and we are grateful to the individuals who generously supported this effort. We would like the shirts to be worn on Thursdays and we'll remind the students of that. This coming Thursday we will be welcoming our Kindergarten students to EES in the Pencil Ceremony where each Kindergartener is given and Edmunds Pencil by a 5th grade student in welcome. This is always a special day so I hope parents will join us.

Our students were able to not only witness the activism of at least 1,000 students marching down Main Street participating in the Climate Strike, but participate by cheering on the marchers and making signs themselves in support of protecting our environment. As the marchers, who were predominantly UVM and Champlain students, marched past EES, and witnessed our small people standing with their own signs, they cheered our students on in solidarity.

I hope that all will recognize that we each can and must do our individual part to slow climate change; things that Congress imposed in 1973 during an oil shortage. Congress legislated lowering heating to 68 degrees, no outdoor holiday lights, and rationing gas to 10 gallons and purchasing only every other day. Vermont should end the use of all drive through windows. No one should be idling their cars; (idling is against the law in VT). Making sure errands are combined to be as efficient as possible and having your children walk and ride their bikes more



**Date and Volume Number** 

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September 27, 2019

Up Coming Events: Oct. 4 – Picture Retake Day Oct. 18 – No School Oct. 25 – MultiCultural Night

Whole School Assembly October 3, 2019 Pencil Ceremony - Welcome to Our School 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Leading

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rather than providing door to door service when they could easily walk. The fact is, <u>we are all contributing to</u> <u>climate change</u> and <u>we all have to cut back on our use of</u> <u>fossil fuels</u> wherever we can.

## STUDENT PICTURES ARE HERE!

Student pictures will be sent home on Monday; if there was a problem with the package, please contact Alex Pintair at Ambient Photography directly at (802) 872-0905 or

<u>http://www.Ambientphotography.com</u> Class pictures will be sent home later.



Scheduled for next Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>!

Friday Flash





The EES Variety Show is a performance opportunity for students to showcase their interests and talents. All 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders are welcome to perform. A meeting for kids who want to be in the show is Tuesday, October 1st during recess. Previews begin October 15th.

There will be a dress rehearsal on Thursday, November 7th from 3-5pm in the EMS gym and the EES Variety Show will take place on Friday, November 8th at 6:30pm. All EES families are invited to attend!



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OCTOBER 25!

Our community missed having this event last year - in years past, it has been a highlight of the year! But it takes many volunteers willing to contribute food, activities, displays, etc., that reflect different cultures! Please reach out to us if THIS is the event for you! If you have something you'd like to contribute (are you a Henna artist, can you make samosas or crepes like a boss? Do you have traditional clothing you could wear from your country of origin?)...the vibrancy of our multicultural community deserves a celebration! Let's make this year's great!

## DAN'S CHOCOLATES!

We've heard from a few kiddos that **Dan's Chocolate** sales are going strong! Order forms & money collected are **due back to your child's teacher next Friday**, **October 4**. **Dan's Chocolates** is our biggest PTO fundraiser - so thank you for your help in making it a success! If you'd like to help with the behind-the-scenes distribution, collection, data-entry, etc for this project, please let us know!

