

# The Buzz



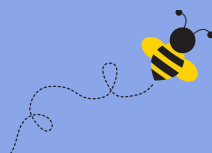
*A Message from  
our Principal,  
Bonnie Johnson-  
Aten*

Hi EES Families!

I hope you all can sit back and relax and enjoy some much deserved down time next week. I can safely speak on behalf of all the staff at EES, that we are very much looking forward to doing just that, and re-charging ourselves for the final push to the end of the school year.

Stay safe and be well!

Mrs. J-A



## Calendar Dates to Remember

**April 19 - 23: Spring Break - No School**

## Increase of In-Person Learning

Beginning **April 26th**, we will be increasing in-person learning to include Wednesday mornings from 8:10 to 11:30. Here is what to expect!

- Students will be able to enter the building at 8:00 a.m., **please drop your student off as close to 8:00 as possible.**
- Please have your child continue to use the 3 assigned entrances to the building.
- There will be no temperature checks. **Please do not send your child if they are sick or have a temperature.**
- Students will continue to be greeted by staff as they enter the building.
- There will be no mixing of pods
- Wednesday dismissal will be at 11:30 – bag lunches will be available.

## Traveling Over Break?

We hope you have a great time! Please remember state expectations around travel as you come back to school on April 26th! **Upon return to Vermont, the expectation is to get a PCR test within 72 hours of your return.** No quarantine is required while you wait for these results.



Screenings are now at home. Please take your child's temperature before school each day.

## School Travel Plans

BSD is working with the City of Burlington, with assistance from CCRPC and DuBois & King to develop School Travel plans for all of our schools. This spring, we need your help! The first step is to get a better understanding of how our students get to school each day. Please take our Travel Survey today and look for more fun ways to get involved after break!

## Family Resilience Presentation Follow Up

If you were unable to join us for Dr. Van Lent's presentation, a recorded video of the evening's presentation and handouts can be found on our school website.

April 16, 2021

Dear Edmunds Elementary Families:

This is a reminder that all Vermont students are required to participate in state assessments as part of the accountability system for the "Every Student Succeeds Act" (ESSA).

**State Math and English/Language Arts Assessment:** All students in grades 3-8 and grade 9 are required each spring to take the state test called the **Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC)**. SBAC is a computer-adaptive assessment, measuring each student's performance against the Common Core State Standards in Mathematics and English/Language Arts. Schools administer SBAC between March and June. Individual results, in the form of parent reports, will be available in the fall.

**State Science Assessment:** Students in grades 5, 8 and 11 will take the state science assessment. Like SBAC, the science assessment will be administered on a computer and is designed to measure each student's performance against the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).

Grade	Math & ELA Assessment	Science Assessment
3	✓	
4	✓	
5	✓	✓
6	✓	
7	✓	
8	✓	✓
9	✓	
10		
11		✓

## How can I learn more?

For more information about these assessments and the standards they are designed to measure, visit the following sites:

- <http://www.corestandards.org/>
- <http://www.smarterbalanced.org/>
- <http://education.vermont.gov/student-learning/content-areas/science>
- <https://www.nextgenscience.org/>
- <https://www.shapeamerica.org/standards/pe/>
- <http://education.vermont.gov/student-learning/content-areas/physical-education>

Thank you once again for supporting your child and our school during the state assessment testing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bonnie Johnson-Aten". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Bonnie Johnson-Aten  
Principal