



The Buzz



*A Message from
our Principal -
Kolby Snellenberger*

Thank you to our families that participated in our newly formed Family Advisory Group; our first meeting was held in November and I look forward to working alongside the talented members of our school community as we move forward in creating an even more equitable, open and welcoming school. It's not too late to join and I'd be happy to have even more parents join us! Our next meeting is scheduled for December 8th at 8:00 am., where we'll discuss the allocation of our Rise allocation. In partnership,

Kolby Snellenberger

IMPORTANT DATES

December 8 - Family Advisory Group Meeting 8:00 AM
December 13 - Pencil Ceremony - 8:10 EES Gym (All are Welcomed to Attend)
December 14 - PTO Meeting - 8:15
December 14 - Annual Title I Meeting 9:15
December 22 - Early Release Day - 11:30 am
December 25 - January 1 - Holiday Break - NO SCHOOL

Title I Annual Meeting

The Annual Title I Meeting will be held immediately following the PTO Meeting on December 14th at 9:15 am. We will review the EES Home School Compact and the Burlington School District's Parent/Guardian Involvement Policy. We will meet in the Professional Development space in the Library on the 3rd floor. We hope you can join us for this informational presentation!



Music & Joy from the Music Room!

Hello EES Families - I am so happy to be back at EES! The students have been so welcoming and really made me feel like a rock star when I came out to greet them Monday morning. It is such a joy to be part of this community! Two opportunities for 4th and 5th grade students are starting up now that I am back. The **4th and 5th grade chorus** will meet on **Wednesdays at 9:00 AM**. All fourth and fifth graders are invited to participate. We had a practice rehearsal this week and I was blown away by both the beauty and the power in their singing. Please complete the attached registration form if your child would like to participate.

Music composition club will be meeting on **Thursdays during the 4h and 5th grade recess**. This is a technology based club that allows students to explore composing music using a notation based program called Noteflight and a looping program called Soundtrap. Some students will also have the opportunity to be connected with professional composer mentors through our community partnership with Music-Comp. Students do not need to register for this club but will need parental permission to participate in the optional mentoring program. You can learn more about Music-Comp at their website: www.music-comp.org.

There's no easy way to say it....it's Head Lice Season

Cooler weather is hat wearing season, which is also the prime season for Head Lice. According to the American Academy of Pediatrics 6-12 million children will get head lice this year. According to BSD policy, which can be found on page 19 of the school calendar "Parents/guardians should check their young children's head once a week and especially before returning to school after vacations." BSD follows the guidelines of the Vt Dept. of Health and the CDC. Children are not excluded from school for having head lice, but parents are expected to do their best to treat, if their child is found to have lice. For more info refer to: <https://identify.us.com> or <https://www.consumerreports.org/babies-kids/childrens-health/best-ways-to-treat-head-lice-a1695480068/>



Please contact Nurse Chelsea if you need any help or have any questions!
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Food Security

If you are concerned about food security for your family during the upcoming December break, please reach out by December 13th to our school counselor, Melissa Hathaway or our school services clinician, Veronica Zutic for support. Melissa Hathaway mhathawa@bsdvt.org (802) 864-8473 x42010 or Veronica Zutic vzutic@bsdvt.org (802) 307-2284 - Call or Text.

Pencil Ceremony! A Long Standing Edmunds Tradition

We have a special tradition at Edmunds Elementary that we hope our families will join us for; especially the parents of our 5th graders and Kindergartners. It features our 5th graders individually welcoming each Kindergarten student and presenting them with an Edmunds pencil as well as an EES welcome song. Thus, the "Pencil Ceremony". Please plan on joining us for this very sweet and memorable event.

