

The Buzz



*A Message from
our Principal -
Kolby Snellenberger*

Happy Holidays!

As we inch closer to winter break, the excitement in the hallways continues to grow! This week our students will be counting down the days to break and celebrating each day in some fun filled ways! I hope you can join us Friday morning for our annual Winter Sing-a-Long. The singing will start at 8:10 in the EES gym.

On behalf of our faculty and staff, we hope you have a wonderful winter break with your children, family and friends.

Stay safe and be well.

In partnership,
Kolby Snellenberger

IMPORTANT DATES

December 22 - Winter Sing-a-Long - 8:10, EES Gym

December 22 - Early Release Day - 11:30 am

December 25 - January 1 - Holiday Break - NO SCHOOL

[January 2, 2024 - Return from Holiday Break](#)



Friday, December 22nd is an early release day for our faculty, staff and students. **Dismissal is at 11:30.**

Please make every effort to pick your students up on time. I'm sure everyone will be excited to begin their long anticipated holiday break by then!



It has come to our attention that some families are using the "staff only" parking lot as well as any available curb space in the back of the building to park, as a place to wait for their students at the end of the day. **We cannot state strongly enough that parking in the back lot or any other area behind the building is not acceptable or allowed. Students exit through the front and side door only for safety reasons;** it simply isn't safe for

students to walk through an already congested parking area to look for their rides. Please, be respectful of this request and park either on the street or walk to our campus.

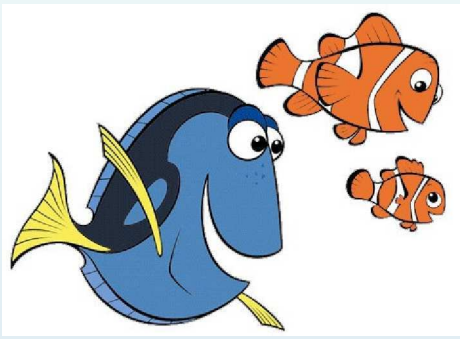
EES Chorus

If your 4th or 5th grader is participating in the EES chorus this year, please complete the [registration form](#) so I have good contact information and can communicate about upcoming chorus happenings.



Winter Sing-a-Long!

You're Invited to the EES annual Winter Sing-a-long! Friday, December 22nd at 8:10 in the EES gym! This is a great way to celebrate our community in the darkest days of winter!



EES Drama Presents: Finding Nemo!

Hello actors, set crew and stage hands! We are pleased to announce that **this year's EES Musical will be Disney's Finding Nemo Jr.!** We will have rehearsals afterschool at Edmunds, beginning in January. **We will have the 1st and 2nd grade chorus, 3-5th grade actors and 4th/5th grade set crew.**

If you are in 3-5th grade and interested in acting in the show please use the following link to sign up, rehearsals will be Mondays and Wednesdays afterschool : [FINDING NEMO JR.-EES Show 2024--CAST](#)

If you are a 4th or 5th grader (sorry no 3rd graders) who is interested in joining the set crew and helping backstage please use the following link to sign up set crew meetings will start in February: [FINDING NEMO JR.-EES Show 2024-Set Crew](#)

AND 1st and 2nd graders, those who participate will be part of a song in the show and have weekly rehearsals starting January 22nd. with the Very Merry Theater dance choreographer. Parents, we try to put the chorus song towards the beginning of the show so that the younger kids do not have to stay as late into the evening. To sign up please use the following link: [FINDING NEMO JR.-EES Show 2024-1st/2nd Grade Chorus](#)

If you have any questions feel free to contact me at gshuman7005@yahoo.com.

Thank you and looking forward to the show!!
Gretchen Platt (Maya and Wyatt's mom)



Lost & Found

Check out this short [video](#) to see if any of these items belong to you or your child.

Hannaford Helps Schools

Did you know that each time you shop at your local Hannaford's and purchase participating products, you're helping our school? Well, it's true! Hannaford's and our school have partnered for the last several years as one of our fundraising methods through their community outreach program. This year, we received enough money to purchase 20 new sleds to use on our sliding hill! Thank you all and keep shopping



Learn to Ski!

Want to learn how to cross-country ski this winter? The Catamount Trail Association is hosting Ski Cubs! Ski Cubs is a free learn-to-ski program open to students with no prior skiing experience that might not otherwise have the opportunity to learn. We provide a bus from Sustainability Academy in Burlington, the O'Brien Community Center and JFK Elementary in Winooski to trails at Catamount Outdoor Family Center. This six-week program takes beginner students through a skills progression curriculum by knowledgeable, friendly and supportive volunteer instructors, all costs are covered for participants. If you have any questions, please contact our office at 802-864-5794 or email cdickerson@catamounttrail.org. For more information and to sign up please visit the following form: <http://bit.ly/3QnhFRw>

