We are a Food Allergy Aware School! Be a PAL (Protect A Life) and do not share snacks. Please wash your hands after eating. Thanks!

NEWSLETTER
Friday, February 21, 2020

FEBRUARY
24th - 3rd Winter Break

MARCH
3rd Town & School Annual Meeting
22nd 8th grade fundraiser
     Calcutta Luncheon
30th Preschool Screening &
      Registration
      Washington Campus

STUDENT OF THE WEEK!

WASHINGTON VILLAGE CAMPUS
Pre-K Open House, Screening & Registration

ALL FAMILIES ARE WELCOME

Washington Village Preschool will be offering screenings for children 3 and 4 years old.
Children must be 3 by September 1, 2020.

Screenings are sponsored by Central Vermont Supervisory Union Early Educational Program & by Capstone Community Action Head start.

CVSU Habits of Success of ALL LEARNERS

- Respectful Learner = Personal Development
- Responsible Learner = Work Ethic
- Engaged Learner = Critical Thinking
- Effective Learner = Communication
Vermont Foodbank’s VeggieVanGo events promote health for Vermonters. VeggieVanGo events not only provide an opportunity for participants to bring home fresh produce, they also create a gathering place that offers support and conversations about healthy food. Our truck arrives with large bins of thousands of pounds of fresh food and, with the help of our amazing volunteers we provide produce to hundreds of families and individuals in need each month. Through this program we expect to distribute 2 million pounds of fresh food to our neighbors facing hunger this year.

Along with healthy, fresh food, VeggieVanGo provides education and outreach to improve food security. In partnership with our VT Fresh Program we offer cooking demos, and taste tests of the vegetables available, paired with recipes and cooking tips.

This program is open to all our school community including staff!

Stay tuned for dates and exciting updates about the Dry Pantry coming in the fall!

MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE:

Hello everyone, our fifth and sixth grade scientists have been investigating how a variety of different forces effect motion. We are deep into a unit on how forces are exerted on objects of all shapes and sizes at all times. The students analyze an object and its surroundings, making inferences about the types of forces, the magnitude of the forces, the direction of the forces, and whether all forces are balanced or unbalanced. They have learned that the amount, or magnitude, of force (in the science world) is often measured in Newtons (N). One real world example the students studied was how a parachute takes advantage of the force of air resistance, allowing a person to reach a slow and safe terminal velocity of 12 miles per hour. Currently, we are in the process of using our understanding of force to design and engineer paper bridges that can withstand various forces. Our scientists will soon be comparing and contrasting Newton’s Law of Motion as it relates to the world around us. Ask your child to tell you about balanced and unbalanced forces, gravitational force, and terminal velocity.

The 7th and 8th graders have completed their roller coaster unit. Although forces and motion is the scientific content that is being explored in this unit, the engineering process of trying, failing, making adjustments and then trying again is truly the heart of the unit.

Additionally, students must learn to effectively communicate when things are not working, not leave all the work to their teammates and not give up when things are not working out. They assess each other and themselves on these intrapersonal traits. In an increasingly “instant gratification” world, projects like these force students to slow down, and stick with the project even when results are not coming instantly.
SPRING SPORTS
Spring is approaching fast. If your daughter or son would like to play baseball or softball with Williamstown Youth Sports or Barre Youth Sports here are the links:

Williamstown- https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/218831
or email Keith.grochwik@yahoo.com

Barre - www.barrecommunitybbsb.com
or email barrebaseball@gmail.com

For Lacrosse go to www.barreylouthsports.com

ECHO VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL
Town Meeting Day
Spaghetti Dinner
March 3, 2020

Adults: $5.00
Kids under 11: $3.00
(Dessert by donation)

Sponsored by the Echo Valley Middle School
8th Grade Class

Seating Starts at 5pm in the Orange Campus cafeteria!

Menu:
Spaghetti, dinner roll, garden salad
Coffee, Iced Tea and Lemonade

Tickets will be available for purchase,
for our upcoming Calcutta Luncheon on March 22, 2020
Don’t miss your chance to win Cash and gift prizes!

ECHO VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
TOWN MEETING DAY LUNCHEON
March 3, 2020

Adults: $5.00
Children under 11: $3.00
(Dessert by donation)

Sponsored by the Echo Valley Middle School
8th Grade Class

Seating starts at 11am in the Washington Village
Campus cafeteria

Menu:
Mostaccioli with Meat Sauce,
baked beans, green salad, rolls

Thank you for your support!
Echo Valley PTO
“Prize a Day”
for the Month of May

- Every day for 20 days in May a drawing will occur.
- The winner for each day will receive the prize of the day.
- The student who sells the winning ticket will receive $5.

Individual tickets - $10 each
Pack of 6 tickets - $50.00

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DABBLE DAY
Saturday, March 21st
10am – 12pm
@ Washington Village Campus Gym

Join us for a FUN community event with sensory play, open ended art, block, gross motor play and snack. New this year, we will have Touch-A-Truck a hands-on opportunity to explore a variety of vehicles!

Every child will leave a free book.

(This event will count towards WIC requirements)

Fun filled morning for all families with children birth to age six!

Brought to you by Washington Village School Pre-K Program, Head Start, and WIC