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, March 6, 2020

Upcoming Events

MARCH
20th
NO SCHOOL - Student Led Conferences
21st
Dabble Day 10:00-12:00
Elementary Campus
22nd
8th grade fundraiser
Calcutta Luncheon
23rd
Early Release - Teacher Inservice
30th
Preschool Screening & Registration
Washington Campus

APRIL
20th - 24th
Spring Vacation
30th
Early Release - Teacher Inservice

Washington Village Campus
Pre-K Open House, Screening & Registration

Monday March 30th
Call Jessie @ 883-2312
for an appointment

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

ALL FAMILIES ARE WELCOME

Call 883-2312 for an appointment

Screenings are sponsored by:
Central Vermont Supervisory Union Early Education Program & Capstone Community Action Head Start

High School Registration

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Please let me know how I may be of assistance to you and your student.

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llaplante@u32.org

Williamstown Contact
Jessica Poe: 802-433-7052
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Providing Fresh and Healthy Food at Schools

The Echo Valley Community School District is now a distribution site for Vermont Foodbank's VeggieVanGo events. Our first distribution will be held March 10, 2020 from 7:30 - 8:30am at the Elementary campus. Students and families will be able to go through the farmers market to select produce to take home. This event is available to all families in our community.

The 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. If you would like to volunteer to help with distribution, please contact us.

From a memorandum sent by the State of Vermont Agency of Education:

The Vermont Department of Health is closely monitoring the rapid developments in the outbreak of respiratory illness called COVID-19 that is caused by a novel (new) coronavirus. Vermont is prepared to respond to protect and support Vermonters.

There are no cases of people with COVID-19 in Vermont as of February 28, 2020. Should the situation in Vermont change, the Vermont Department of Health and the Agency of Education will coordinate to alert every SD/SU and its schools about specific preparedness and response guidelines to follow.

It is important to note that at this point, Vermont residents are much more likely to become sick with a cold or the flu than to be exposed to COVID-19. Frequent hand washing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with your sleeve or a tissue. Throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

If you have concerns about COVID-19, please go to the Vermont Department of Health’s COVID-19 website or dial 2-1-1 for more information. As always, parents should be encouraged to keep their children home when they are sick.

We know that there have been media reports on the prospect of widespread school closures in the United States. At this time, those measures are not necessary in Vermont. We are working with the Vermont Department of Health on guidance in the event that this changes. We understand that managing uncertainty is challenging and thank you for your partnership in responding promptly and appropriately to a continually evolving situation.

Nurse Chantelle has received guidance from the Vermont Department of Health on identifying and responding to potential cases of COVID-19 and can advise on general practices to prevent the spread of respiratory infections at school.

Disinfection

Our custodians will follow our routine cleaning and disinfection procedures:

- Clean hard surfaces (desks, tables, countertops, sinks). Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces (door handles, faucets, railings), bathrooms and health rooms. Use alcohol wipes to clean keyboards.
- Clean the surface first to remove all organic matter. Thorough cleaning with soap and water will remove most microorganisms.
- Custodial staff is trained to use disinfectants in a safe and effective manner and to clean up potentially infectious materials and body fluid spills.
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

BYSA Lacrosse – https://barreyouthsports1.sportngin.com/register/form/787805658

We have held the line on the cost of registration again this year! As it has been for the last two years, the Sunday Youth Program for the first and second graders remains $ 20.00 for first-time participants and $10.00 for returning players with the supplied stick. Players in Grades 3 and 4 can register for $35.00. Players in 5th grade through 8th will be $65.00

To best be able to provide the league with our team count, we ask that you register your player by March 15th. We will continue to accept entries after that date with an additional $ 10.00 late fee.

We will again have loaner equipment available for first-time players courtesy of a US Lacrosse First Stick Grant. We do have a limited supply of gear so the opportunity to rent equipment for the season is a first-come, first served basis. The deposit for boys is $200.00, refunded upon return of the equipment at the end of the season (helmet, shoulder pads, elbow pads, gloves, & stick); the girl’s deposit is $75.00, refunded upon return of hardware at season’s end (Lacrosse and goggles).

Please note that we will not be holding an in-person registration this year. Please direct questions, comments, and concerns to lacrosse@barreyouthsports.com.

FIRST STICK PROGRAM 2020
Do you know a child who has wanted to try lacrosse without the commitment of purchasing equipment?
Visit our webpage for more information http://www.barreyouthsports.com/

Talent Development Institute Summer Camp 2020!
Parents and teachers--do you have an advanced, gifted, or creative child, entering grades 4-9, who would love to have fun with intellectual peers this summer, while exploring a wide variety of topics? Consider sending them to the Talent Development Institute (TDI Summer Camp) 2020! A sample of our classes includes: Computer Game Design, The World Outside, Fabric Arts, Writing and Laughing, Rube Goldberg Machines, Almost History, Gravity-Powered Catapults, Digital Design, The Game of Civilization, Gathering Magic, and Powerful Podcasts! TDI Summer Camp takes place on the beautiful campus of Northern Vermont University, Johnson, Vermont. Students may come for one or two weeks, June 21-27 and/or June 28-July 4, 2020. There are overnight and commuter options, and partial scholarships are available.

For more information, go to https://tdivermont.org/ or email lucy@tdivermont.org.

Lucy Bogue, Co-Director TDI Colchester, VT 802-658-9941
FUNDRAISERS that were sent home earlier this week:

- Little Caesars (PIZZA PIZZA)
- art in nature (bulbs & Plants)
- "PRIZE a Day" for the month of raffle tickets

If you have any questions or you didn’t receive one, please call the Elementary School @ 883-2312, or the Middle School @ 476-3278.

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