



Sustainability Academy's Newsletter

December 15, 2017

Student Council Election Results



President-Penelope deRosset
Vice President-Alina Rai
Secretary-Pramudita Kuikel
Public Relations-Shikha Monger

Members:

Mrs. Smith's class: Sanish Adhikari, Ryland Leddy, Musa Kasanga & Ajang Arou
Mr. Gallagher's class: Gabe Davidson & Aspa Dieng
Ms. Webster's class: Zinn Cline Lucey & Kali Ali
Ms. Morris's class: Quinn Connolly-Shaffer & Katheryne Martin-Wilson
Alternates: Zella Upton & Talulla Finch

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## A BIG Thank You

### Pancake Breakfast and Silent Auction



The PTO would like to thank our community for coming out in such full force to support our 11th Annual Pancake Breakfast & Silent Auction! Together we flipped pancakes, cleaned tables, organized donated items, and raised over \$7300 for our school. The money raised will go directly toward supporting teachers, staff and students.  
Thanks to all who helped and attended!

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Curriculum Corner



Sustainability News

Shelburne Farms

The Sustainability Academy is grateful for our many partners. One long standing partner who has helped shape our school and curriculum is Shelburne Farms. Shelburne Farms has partnered with the Sustainability Academy since before Lawrence Barnes even became a magnet school! The educators at Shelburne Farms work closely with the Sustainability Academy teachers to design learning experiences that promote place-based education and the big ideas of sustainability. Our classes visit Shelburne Farms two to three times per year, fully funded by Shelburne Farms. Additionally, SA is visited every Tuesday by Kestrel, the Shelburne Farms' Outreach Educator. Kestrel works with all grades to support education for sustainability in our school.



Did you know that Sustainability Academy students and their families receive free admission to Shelburne Farms? It's true! When Shelburne Farms charges admission to the grounds from mid-May to mid-October, SA families can stop by the front office at the Sustainability Academy and ask Ms. Gragg for a Shelburne Farms pass. Show the pass at the entry gate of Shelburne Farms for free admission to the grounds and the farm barn. During the winter months, Shelburne Farms is open--free admission--to all families who would like to use their beautiful walking trails. The views of

Parent Coffee

Annual Title 1 Meeting



Friday, January 12th
8:15am in the Library

We will review:

Title 1 policy

The Home School Compact
District Parent's Involvement Policy

the farm, Lake Champlain and the Adirondacks are just as spectacular in winter!

If your family wants a little adventure this winter, consider registering for one of Shelburne Farms' family-friendly events. Here's a peek at the upcoming fun!

- January 13 Play Date! Winter on the Farm
- January 20 Winter Wildlife Detectives
- January 27 What Do Owls Eat for Lunch?
- February 3 Shelburne Winterfest - FREE

Check out

<https://shelburnefarms.org/our-work/for-families-youth/family-programs> for more details.

We are grateful to Shelburne Farms for their enduring support of the Sustainability Academy's students, teachers and mission.

Lost and Found



We have a number of items in the lost and found that need a home. Please check to see if your child has left any items in the lost and found. Items that are not claimed by Friday, December 22nd will be bagged up.

School Expectations

Be Safe

Be Responsible

Be Respectful

Do Your Best

Mural Dedication

All are Welcome

BHS students gave us a mural. The student were Saja Almagalli, Ismahan Liban, Habiba Liban and Fatuma Mohamed



Bee Card Winners



December 5th



KDG - Leena

1st- Arlo

2nd- Ausbin

3rd/4th - Sangita

3rd/4th - Owen

5th- Solomon

Congratulations Luca!



Luca is a winner of the 2018 Energy Efficiency Calendar Contest, a collaboration between Burlington Electric Department and the Burlington School District (BSD) for more than a decade.

His artwork, representing his impressions of energy efficiency was selected by a panel of judges from more than 125 beautiful

works of art created by the BSD's amazingly thoughtful and talented fourth graders and will fill the pages of the 2018 Efficiency Calendar.

Morning Move It!



Congratulations to kindergarten student Calvin for running ten miles during Morning Move It sessions this fall!

Monday and Thursday are our days for Morning Move It! Join us around the back track from 7:50-8:05. Start your school day with a clear mind and an energized body by walking or running before the bell rings. We'll help you keep track of your mileage and even recognize your big milestones with announcements and prizes! Hope to see you out there!

~ Mr. Bissonette and Mrs. Norman

School Calendar Date Revision

Due to the teacher strike earlier this year the following changes to the school calendar were made:

Tuesday, March 6th FULL day of school

Thursday, March 22nd FULL day of school.

Friday, March 23rd HALF day of school.

Dismissal will be at 11:30. The afternoon will be reserved for parent/teacher conferences.

December 13th



KDG.- Keigan

1st- Julia

2nd-Annalise

3rd/4th- Srya

3rd/4th-Besasta

5th-Ajang

Fall 2018 Kindergarten Registration

Deadline Feb 23

Kindergarten Registration for the Burlington School District will open on January 3rd, 2018 and close on February 23, 2018. Children must be 5 years of age by September 1st, 2018.

Applications must be completed online by going to the BSD web page www.bsdrv.org and clicking on 'Students and Families' then 'School Registration'.

The Link for 2018/19 School year will not be available until January 3, 2018.

Tour Dates for Incoming Kindergarten

Please call the school at **864-8480** to let us know that you are coming.

Wednesday 1/17 9:00am

Friday 1/26 Noon

Tuesday 2/6 8:30am

Thursday 2/15 6:00pm

Preschool Registration



The Burlington School District Early Education Program will be accepting applications, beginning January 3rd, for our play-based preschool classrooms for the 2018-2019 school

Upcoming Events:

Holiday Vacation

No school Dec 25-Jan 2

PTO Meeting

Monday, January 8th, 5:45-7:30
Dinner & Child Care Provided

Parent Coffee & Chat

Friday, January 12th 8:15-9:00
Library

Treehouse Meeting

Thursday, January 18th 5:30-7:00
Community Room

No School

Monday and Tuesday, January 15th and 16th
Martin Luther King day and Teacher Professional Development

March Calendar Corrections

March 6 FULL school all day
March 22 FULL school all day
March 23 HALF day of school. Dismissal at 11:30am

year. Children must be 3 years of age by September 1st, 2018.

Morning and afternoon sessions are offered at each of our school district sites: JJ Flynn, Integrated Arts Academy, Ira Allen, and the Sustainability Academy.

A full day program is also offered at JJ Flynn and Ira Allen. Applications can be completed online by going to the BSD web page (www.bsdrv.org) and clicking on 'Students and Families' then 'School Registration'. All applications will be reviewed with notification of acceptance beginning April 1st. Spaces are limited.

Please contact the Early Ed. Office at 864-8463 if you have further questions

5th Grade Ski Passport



The Ski Vermont Fifth Grade Passport is available again this year to all 5th graders. Passport holders receive a booklet containing coupons for free alpine tickets for skiing or riding at VT resorts and coupons for XC - skiing at VT Nordic Centers. There will be 3 coupons for each alpine resorts and 1-3 coupons for each Nordic area, depending on resort. Passport holders will need to be accompanied by a ticket or pass holding adult. The only fee is a \$10 processing fee for the Passport. Student need to submit proof of their 5th grade status. More information and registration can be found at <https://skivermont.com/fifth-grade-passport>. It's a wonderful way to get kids out in the snow this year

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