

Sustainability Academy's Newsletter

January 11, 2019

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration



All School Assembly When: Monday, January 21st Where: SA Cafeteria Time: 9:00 am

Please join us in honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr's birthday. We will have student presentations as well special guests from Newark, New Jersey.

The Newark Boys Choir



Echo Center Event

On Monday, January 21st, students in 2nd through 5th grade are invited to perform at our third annual MLK Jr. day event at the ECHO center. SA students will be celebrating Martin Luther King Jr. by singing powerful music with students from our sister school, IAA. Admission to the ECHO center and their events are **FREE** for the day.

There is a **FREE** shuttle bus, starting at 11:30 that will be running a loop between SA, IAA and the ECHO center until about 4pm. Students are welcome to walk, bike, or be driven to and from the event with a guardian. Since school will be dismissed at 11:30, students can also leave right



Art News By: Joanne Kalisz



Over the summer/fall of 2018, I took a Burlington School District, professional development class on STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) and sustainability. The class had a special focus on food; teachers explored how to use cooking, gardening, agriculture, and nature to teach students about math and science (and for Ms. Kalisz, art!). BSD teachers met for a week over the summer and one day in November to develop an understanding of "how farm to school can be an integrative context for learning and foster healthy school *communities*". Teachers learned about valuable community resources such as Shelburne Farms, Burlington Schools Food Project, Composting /Organics with Rhonda Mace (and her worms) from C.S.W.D., New Farms for New Americans, Champlain College Apiary, and MORE! Teachers generated and shared ideas for lesson plans and learning activities, discussed ways to better present learning guestions, and how to pair math and science standards with things kids enjoy like cooking, gardening, and drawing.

I had to create lesson plans that demonstrated how I applied the the STEM and Sustainability information to my art classes Students in kindergarten, first, and second grade made observational drawings of REAL carrots from the Art garden and used their senses (sight, smell, touch) to draw a vegetable realistically and actual size. Fifth after school on the shuttle bus with Miss Schwerin if they have signed permission slip.

Our students will be part of a set of performances beginning at 12:15. Come early for a good seat.

Permission slips will be sent home next week!

Fall 2019 Kindergarten Registration





Kindergarten Registration for the Burlington School District will open on January 3rd, 2019 and close on February 22, 2019. Children must be 5 years of age by September 1st, 2019.

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

The Link for 2019/20 School year will not be available until January 3, 2019.

Tour Dates for Incoming Kindergarten

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

Tuesday	1/15	8:30am
Friday	2/8	8:30am
Wednesday	2/20	6:00pm

Morning Move It!



Congratulations to first grade student Zaelen Raisanen for running ten miles during Morning Move It sessions this year!

Monday & Thursday are our days for Morning Move It! Join us around the back track from **7:50-8:05am**. 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! graders illustrated "*What does sustainability mean to you?*" and shared their artwork -- pressed into wearable pins, with the community when the PTO had their bake sale on voting day. I made a visit to Ms. Webster's classroom at Champlain Elementary where students were learning about the parts of a tree.I taught a lesson on how to paint realistic looking trees for Ms. Webster's science unit on scientific diagraming. The take home message is that art is a wonderful way to get kids excited and learning about math, science, and SUSTAINABILITY!





Community Style Lunch Tuesday, January 22nd





Join us for our next community style dining in the cafeteria on **Tuesday**, **January 22nd**.



To help students during this event. If you can help during any or all of the lunch shifts, please email Julie Norman at jnorman@bsdvt.org

The lunch times:

Kindergarten & Grade 5: 11:00-11:25 Grades 1 & 2: 11:30 -11:55 Grades 3 & 4: 12:00-12:25

If any family members would like to eat school lunch, it is a great deal at **\$4.00** per meal. Exact change is appreciated.

Lunch is <u>FREE</u> for all volunteers.

~ Ms. Archacki and Mr. Bissonette

Upcoming Events:

Kindergarten Tour

Tuesday, January 15th 8:30 - 9:45am Meet in Front Lobby

Student Council Meeting

Thursday, January 17th 8:00 - 8:40am Room 112

All School Assembly-All Are Welcomed

Monday, January 21st In Honor of Martin Luther King Jr. 9:00am SA Cafeteria

Early Release Day

Monday, January 21st Dismissal at 11:30am Bag lunches will be provided

Community Style Lunch

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No Wednesday Morning Meeting Wednesday, January 23rd

PTO Community Multicultural Dinner

Thursday, January 24th 6:00 - 7:30pm SA cafeteria

PTO Meeting-

Monday, February 4th 5:45 - 7:30 pm Community room

Bee Card Winners

School Expectations Be Safe Be Responsible Be Respectful Do Your Best



December 19



K - Josila & Hashim 1st/2nd -Oliver, Blessing, Ashis & Ilyas 3rd/4th - Jude, Sanjeeta, Belise, Annalise & Logan 5th - Katie & Jordan T.

January 9th



K - Dipson 1st/2nd - Calvin & Teresa 3rd/4th - Eh Kaw & Jasmine C.

School Crossing Guards



Burlington City is looking to fill crossing guard positions.

To view the job posting go to https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/burlingtonvt/jobs/ 1503590/crossing-guard This page intentionally left blank for flyers and January menu.