

SMITH TIMES

**C.P. Smith Elementary School
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Celebration!

On the Friday before Thanksgiving vacation, C.P. Smith students celebrated the many ways we can give thanks this season. **Mrs. Kissell's second grade class** presented an *Animals Give Thanks* performance, first grader **Max McConville** demonstrated his outstanding hula hoop skills, and **all students and staff members** celebrated classrooms gaining **Golden Tickets** for being safe, respectful, and responsible at a fun school-wide dance party!



The Extravaganza is Coming!

The C.P. Smith **Kids Only Shopping Extravaganza** is **December 5**.

Students can shop for gifts for family members at kid prices (25 cents, 50 cents, one dollar and two dollars). To be sure there are enough gifts for all, there is a \$5 shopping limit per child. All children will be able to participate thanks to our PTO. **All merchandise is donated ahead of time by Smith families and neighbors and friends.** Please bring any treasures you wish to donate to the C.P. Smith Main Office before **December 2!**





Spelling Team

We are pleased to announce that six students will represent C.P. Smith in the spring **Burlington School District Spelling Bee**.

These students became our finalists after two rounds of in-school competition. Congratulations to fourth graders **Anthony Tran, Emiliana Bedrosian,** and **Nicole Xie** and fifth graders **Lillian Connolly, Grace Park** and **Veronica Lindstrom**. Thank you to advisers **Josh Safran** and **Kim Hamlin**.



BED Calendar Winners

We are also pleased to announce winners of the **2017 Burlington Electric Department Energy**

Efficiency Calendar Contest. The artwork illustrating energy efficiency of the following students will be featured in the new BED calendar: **Penelope Zygarowski** (Mrs. Erkson), **Samantha Gamache** (Mrs. Erkson), and **Dixita Pradhan** and **Eslyn White** (Mrs. Brockway). Congratulations!



C.P. Smith Musical Is Coming!

C.P. Smith and our PTO are collaborating again with the **Very Merry Theatre** on a musical production for students. This year's musical is **"Where the Wild Things Are"** with performances on **February 16-18**. Next week students will be given more information on the audition process happening the week of December 12th with rehearsals both during school and after school in January and February.

We **need more parents** to help out with this musical production. There are lots of tasks both large and small that would make a huge difference with your help. Please let parent Megan Laing (megansabina@gmail.com) or principal Amy Mellencamp (amellenc@bsdvt.org) know if you would be interested in volunteering.



Holiday Season Donations

The PTO and C.P. Smith Staff are helping to make the holiday season a little brighter for families and friends in our school community through a **Donation and Gift Collection**. Please consider making a donation to the C.P. Smith PTO

for purchasing some essentials and gifts to give to those of us who could use a hand. Or donate a new book or a board or a card game. Please give all donations to the C.P. Smith Main Office by **December 18**.


Toys for Tots is another way C.P. Smith families can support children during the holiday season. The **Marine Corps League of Vermont** has put a red barrel in our Main Office where families can drop off gifts that will then be distributed to area families.

Thank You!

Thanks to parent and families who donated coats and jackets for students. The **Coat Swap** was very successful with help from the **PTO, Christine White, and Gadue's**. Thank you too for the food donations which were much appreciated by our families.

PTO Meeting

All are invited to the **next PTO Meeting** from **5:30-7:30 p.m. on Monday, December 12**. Pizza and child care will be provided.



C. P. SMITH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

12/5 **Extravaganza – During School**

12/12 **PTO Meeting – 5:30-7:00 p.m.**

12/22 **Holiday Sing-Along – 2:15 p.m.**

12/23-1/2 **Winter Break**

1/3 **School Resumes**

Mrs. Slack's Superheroes!

Kindergarten students celebrate receiving their next **Golden Ticket!**

