

SMITH TIMES

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Popsicles!

C. P. Smith celebrated every classroom achieving a **Golden Ticket** - 100 Cat Cards - for positive behavior expectations last week with a special Popsicle recess. Thanks to students showing so early in the year what being Safe, Responsible, and Respectful looks like in school!

Lost and Found

Missing sweaters, shoes, shirts, and lunch boxes?

Please take a look in the rapidly-growing Lost and Found Box by the Main Office to see if you might find a treasured belonging.

Buy a Stress Ball

On Thursday morning, September 22 a group of 5th graders led by Kim Tran will be selling hand-made Stress Balls for 25-75 cents each with proceeds benefiting homeless services in Burlington.

Lockdown Drill

Vermont schools are required to do a lockdown drill every other month so that students learn what to do in a potential emergency. C. P. Smith will be doing a

lockdown drill this week in cooperation with the Burlington Police Department. During the drill, students will practice becoming “invisible” in their classrooms. Blinds will be down, doors locked, lights turned off, students silent and grouped in the corner away from doors. A police officer and administrator will walk through the building checking on classrooms to be sure all is in order. Lockdown drills generally take 10 minutes or so.

We do these drills to prepare students to think about how they can be safe when presented with an unexpected event. One version of this was when the school went into a “hold and secure” two weeks ago – we held students inside and secured the outside doors. Every time we practice a drill we hope that students take away an idea about what they can do to be safe. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Congratulations!

Eli Phillips, our After School Coordinator, is the proud father of daughter Adeline born this past Friday. Congratulations! Molly Bosley, Assistant Coordinator, will be in charge for a while with assistance as needed from the district’s After School Program office.



Ms. Tilley’s Class in the Woods



Reading in Mrs. Kissell's Class

THE WAY TO GO CHALLENGE IS THE NEXT 2 WEEKS!

Our school is signed up to participate in the [Way to Go Challenge](#) weeks! Walking, biking, carpooling, and taking the bus earn participating schools the opportunity to win a solar system/ tracker and save energy costs. You can sign up too as an individual or family to help the school.

WHAT IS IT? Way To Go! is a 2 week challenge that starts September 26-October 6. During that time you just sign up and pledge to walk, bike, carpool or take the bus as much as you'd like.

WHY DOES IT MATTER? Your participation sends a signal to our local and state leaders that alternative transportation and reducing carbon pollution matters to Vermonters. And we can win a solar tracker!

WILL IT BE FUN? Of course it will be! Just watch this! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=__J8dUxBKY4&feature=youtu.be

HOW DO I SIGN UP? Sign up is easy, free and takes seconds! Just go to <https://waytogovt.org/>

WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME? Individuals can win awesome prizes like an iPad and Darn Tough socks. Our school can win that solar tracker!

Thanks to Chris Souliere, PE Teacher, and the PTO for their support for this opportunity.

C. P. SMITH CALENDAR OF EVENTS



- 9/22 Grade 3 – Mt. Philo
- 9/26 Slack/Tilley – Shelburne Farms
- 9/27 Deyo – Shelburne Farms
- 10/3 Palmer – Sailing Center
- 10/5 Brockway – Sailing Center
- 10/6 Erkson – Sailing Center
- 10/7 Grade 2 – Shelburne Museum
- 10/7 Grade 5 – Camel's Hump
- 10/10 PTO Meeting 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- 10/12 No School – Yom Kippur
- 10/19 Grades 3 and 4 – Flynn Theater
- 10/21 No School – Teacher Inservice Day
- 10/28 Halloween Raffle/Fun Night



Reading in Ms. Mancuso's Class



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