

Events/News

Computer Club

Computer club ends at 3:15

January 22 – Groups 2 & 4



There is No School on Monday, January 19th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Basket Raffle

The BVS 8th Grade class will be hosting a Basket Raffle on January 31st from 11:00-2:00pm at the Castleton American Legion. Some of the baskets include a Jamberry basket, a Soup Bowl Basket, A Cleaning supplies basket, a Kitchen Basket, a Maple Syrup basket and many, many more! You need to be present to win.



Don't know what to do for dinner next Sunday? Come and enjoy some Chicken & Biscuits Dinner from the Wheel Inn for \$12.00 on January 25th from 12pm-3pm, take out only. All proceeds benefit the 8th Grade Class trip to Washington, D.C. Thank You for your support!



Snowshoes! Don't forget to get your snowshoes if you are interested in joining Romp to Stomp sponsored by the PTCC. If you have any questions please contact Roberta Senn at sennshens@gmail.com or 537-2983.

7th and 8th Grade Parents:

Several weeks ago you received a parent survey from VSAC. If you have not filled this out, please do so. It provides information to VSAC about your student as they prepare for high school. Additionally, it can provide many avenues specific to your student as they begin to think about college or a career path.

The link is: www.surveymonkey.com/s/GUParentSurvey14-15

Parents of **Benson Village School** students in grades 7-8 are asked to complete this mandatory survey for the VSAC/GEAR UP grant that provides your student information on career/college preparation, and a scholarship for college. When you are filling out the survey, please do so thinking about your child who is in grade 7 or 8. For completing the survey you will receive a t-shirt! For those of you who have already completed the survey, you do not need to do a 2nd survey.

If you have any questions, please call Kim Ezzo; School Counselor at Benson Village School.

Middle School Math News:

6th Grade Math is learning about percentages and how to find the percent of a number. They are using familiar models tape diagrams, double number lines, and equivalent ratios to do this.

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Module 1 has come to an end in the 7th Grade, so we will be starting Module 2 next week. This is where the students will explore the rational number system (including positive and negative decimals, whole numbers, and fractions)!

The 8th Grade has been focusing on rigid motions (translations, reflections, and rotations), and examining their properties. They have really worked hard at proving theories and demonstrating them. They will be continuing their study of Geometry with congruence in the upcoming weeks. For extra support with the Eureka Math program, please refer to my Scoop.it page <http://www.scoop.it/t/middle-school-math-by-moyermath>. I post Parent Tips for each module, new information about the Common Core, and other helpful resources!



In the coming weeks, the nurse will be screening students' hearing and vision. The Vermont Department of Health requires screening for grades K, 1, 3, 5, and 7. If any problems are found with the first assessment, your child will be screened a second time and a notice will be sent home with the results and a recommendation to be assessed by a medical provider. If you have concerns about your child's hearing or vision (in any grade) please call Miss Casey.



Dates to remember:
1/19 - No School, MLK, Jr. Day
1/28 - Early Release, 11:30
1/31 - Basket Raffle, Castleton Legion, 11:00

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NOTICE TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS:

FREE TUTORIAL SERVICES

Benson Village School received notice from the Vermont Agency of Education that we have been identified as a school in need of improvement based on our student performance in the area of Math on the New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) scores from 2013. We are entering Year 3 of school improvement this school year based on not achieving AYP in Math or Reading last year and this year.

Federal and state guidelines require all identified schools like BVS to notify parents of this status. Further, we notify families with a child(ren) who receive or are eligible for free lunch that Supplemental Educational Services (SES) monies are available to them for free tutorial services.

Parents can choose a tutoring service from the state approved provider list which can be found at the following website:

http://education.vermont.gov/documents/EDU-SES_Vermont_Approved_Providers.pdf. If you would prefer a paper copy of this list, we will be happy to provide that. If you are interested in securing these services for your child(ren) please contact us no later than February 1, 2015.

As always, please give me a call should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kim E. Doty
Principal