

## Events/News

There will be no more Computer Club meetings this year to give Mr. B time to work on the yearbook and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Graduation Slide show.

**Grades K-3 will be going to Castleton State College on Monday May 11<sup>th</sup> to see *Miss Nelson is Missing***

### **Library News:**

In the past few weeks students in Grades 4 through 8 have taken apart a computer, taken photos or videos of the process with an iPad, and are just now creating a Google site to use as a library journal.

The first entry to their journal will be a diagram or photo of the computer tower hardware parts that they downloaded into Google Draw where they will add text about their project.

Students in EEE through 3rd grade have been busy with book check-in and book check-out in their library class. The first 10 minutes of the library class is reserved for book check-in and check-out. After that students form a story circle to listen to a picture book.

Grade 2 and 3 students have a clear idea of what they are interested in and check out books with great efficiency. Grade K and 1 students are still forming their ideas about their personal interests and take more time scouring the book shelves.

All students have a few minutes to sit and look at their books which they do with great discussions about the book content to their fellow students.

**Benson's Got Talent!!** On Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, the talents of the Benson Village School Students will be showcased! There will be a show for at 12:45 and then an evening performance at 6:00. Come and see all the different acts!



The annual **Memorial Day Program** will be held on Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:30.

### **MUSIC NEWS**

**EEE (Thurs):** Our new favorite action song is "Here's a Baby Birdie" ! We are also having fun playing rhythms on the boomwhackers.

#### **K-3rd:**

All students have learned to play "Hot Cross Buns" on the bells, keyboard and boomwhackers. If you have any of these instruments at home you might have your child perform for you. Students received a copy of the song and a diagram of a piano keyboard which will help you point out the starting pitch for them.

Students have also been working on the following patriotic songs this month: "Yankee Doodle", "This Land Is Your Land" and "You're a Grand Old Flag".

**4th & 5th:** Students are sounding magnificent! They are learning the northern and southern verses of the "Battle Cry of Freedom" which they will present at the Memorial Day program.

**6th-8th:** Students are learning the principles music notation and composition through an online program available at [www.noteflight.com](http://www.noteflight.com)

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## **BAND:**

- **Advanced Band:** We are working on "Land of the Free", "Star Spangled Banner" and "Taps".
- **Beginners:** We are continuing to work from the Sound Innovations method book. Some students are also beginning to transition to the next level by learning some Advanced Band music. Way to go!
- **All Musicians:** Practice your Memorial Day music, and remember to bring your instrument every Wednesday.



## **Dates to remember:**

5/11 ó Grades k-3 to CSC, 9am  
5/12 ó School Board Mtg., 6:30pm  
5/21 ó Talent Show, 6:30pm  
5/28 ó Memorial Day Program, 1:30  
6/19 ó 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation, 7pm  
6/19 ó Last Student Day

**Next year the students will be in school from 7:45am - 3:00pm!**