

The Core



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Important Dates

Early Winter Break

December 25-29

No School

New Year's Day

January 1, 2018

No School

Early Release

January 12th

Dismissal @ 12:30

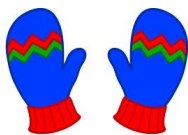
MLK Day

January 15, 2018

No School

The Wizard of Oz

January 18, 19 & 20



Dear Parents & Guardians,

A BIG thank you for the wonderful Cookie Extravaganza! It's a perfect time to feel very appreciated by our parents and PTO. Your generosity enabled us to give each of our bus driver's a container of cookies to take home as well. Thank you, again!

Do you use Twitter? If not and are interested, you should start with Orchard school. Our librarian, Donna Sullivan-Macdonald, tweets on a regular basis. Her tweets are really terrific. (I'm hoping to be tweeting along with her some day.) You can see some great activities about Orchard that you might or might not know about. This week Donna tweeted about her work with students on Hour of Code. There is a lot to see and you can follow Orchard's tweets here: @OrchardVT, or go to <https://twitter.com/OrchardVT>. The following pictures were tweeted through the @OrchardVT account, showing the SBHS Activities Leadership Council.

We are looking for a volunteer to coordinate with the South Burlington Rec Department and the After-School Ski & Ride program at Bolton Valley. Please contact us if you are interested.

Additionally, the Vermont Ski Program provides free passes for every fifth grader in Vermont! Here is the link to the program: <https://skivermont.com/fifth-grade-passport>. Parents will need to provide proof of their child being a 5th grader. The Vermont Ski Program will accept the 4th grade report card.

One more thing about winter - we have so much more clothing in the building - please label everything. Let's not leave it to chance, we have hundreds of students traveling through the building throughout the day.

Please write your child's name on everything!

*Have a great weekend, take some time
to read with your child.*

Mark Trifilio

Photos:
Members of the SBHS Athletic Leadership Team (Orchard Alumni) coming to our Morning Meeting and reading books to our primary classes.



~ PTO News ~

Cookie Swap: Thank you to Christine Sleiman and all parents who participated in the annual Teachers Cookie Swap! We appreciate your hard work in making this festive event possible.

Square 1 Art: Artwork will be traveling home with students today. Please check backpacks and contact Lianne Cleary with any questions/concerns at liannebaldwin@gmail.com.

Orchard Drama: We are headed into our last two weeks of rehearsals before we go to Early Winter Break! The kids are working hard, and we are very proud of them!

T-SHIRTS: Oz t-shirts were distributed to students' classrooms this week. If you missed your chance to order one, we do have some extras left to sell on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please email us to request one at orcharddrama@gmail.com

PLAYBILL ADS and SHOUT OUTS: We will begin taking orders for Ad Space and Shout Out lines for the playbill **next week**. Consider advertising your business in the Playbill, creating a dedication to your child, or giving them a "shout out" about their accomplishment. Kids love to see their names in the Playbill as a keepsake! Details will go out first via email next week, then home in Friday folders.

OZ PIT ORCHESTRA MEMBERS NEEDED: Are you, a family member or friend an experienced musician who could take part in our Oz orchestra? We welcome your talent! This is a complex score, so being a confident and experienced player with strong reading abilities are musts. Interested parties should email our musical director, Ashley O'Brien, at ashleyobrienmusic@gmail.com

Do you have PTO questions? Please find us online:
 Facebook: www.facebook.com/orchardschoolpto
 Website: <https://sites.google.com/site/orchardschoolpto/>
 Email: orchardschoolvt@gmail.com

Ugly Sweater Fun Run

From dancing snowmen to dangling jingle bells, the gaudy holiday sweaters that were once considered fashionable are making a comeback!



Not on the **RUN** way, but at the Ugly Sweater Fun **RUN** Sunday, December 10th at Veterans Memorial Park in South Burlington!

This 1st ever 5K Fun Run and 2.5K Walk is produced by South Burlington Rotary to benefit their community projects as well as the Humane Society of Chittenden County's *Camp Paw Paw*. Bring the whole family, including your pets! Participants get complimentary food, beverages, a Photo Booth photo, a commemorative hat and prizes for being the ugliest!

Stick your neck OUT for fashion by sticking it THROUGH an ugly sweater!
 Entrance fee is \$35 for adults 18+, \$15 for youth 12-17, free for those under 12.

Register now for the Ugly Sweater Fun Run and Walk December 10th at SouthBurlingtonRotary.org.

Winter Youth Cheerleading

Do you like to jump, kick, dance, tumble & cheer loud? Then join the SB Youth Cheerleading Team!

Grades K-5th are welcome to join!
 No experience is necessary!



Please email Coach Lynn Kynoch at: Lkynoch@sbschools.net to sign up and/or if you would like more information.

Lunch Menu from December 11—15				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cheese Ravioli Marinara Sauce Caesar Salad Garlic Bread Soup Fruit/Veggie Bar Milk	Teriyaki Chicken Lo Mein Noodles Teriyaki Tofu Soup Fruit/Veggie Bar Milk	Shepherd's Pie Dinner Roll Soup Fruit/Veggie Bar Milk	Cheese Pizza Veggie Pizza Kale Salad Soup Fruit/Veggie Bar Milk	Chicken Caesar Wrap Hand Cut Fries Soup Fruit/Veggie Bar Milk