

# Straight from the Gecko

December 1, 2016

*It is the mission of Green Street School to be a learning community that helps each child develop academically, socially, and creatively. Our vision is to create a safe, healthy and respectful environment where students become confident, independent learners.*

Breakfast Bell: 8:00am Tardy Bell: 8:15am

Dismissal: 2:40 (bussers) 2:45 (walkers)

Please call the school by 8:30am if your child will be tardy or absent.



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## Mark Your Calendar!

### Monday, Dec. 5th

Vermont Food Bank at WRCC 10-11am  
 PTO Winter Sports Meeting 5pm  
 PTO Regular Meeting 6pm (childcare provided 6-7pm)

### Tuesday, Dec. 6th

Harvest of the Month Taste Test  
 K-2 Birds of Prey Program

### Thursday, Dec. 8th

Stuffed Animal Day

### Friday, Dec. 9th

4th-6th Symbols of the Sun Program  
 Movie Night at 6:30 pm

### Tuesday, Dec. 13th

Grades 1 and 5, plus Miss Manwaring's class: walk to *Mary Poppins* at NEYT

### Thursday, Dec. 15th

"Third Thursday" coffee for parents in the library at 8am. Stay for School Sing if you can!

### Friday, Dec. 16th

Fill The Bus Event at Hannaford  
 GSS Winter Concert at 6pm

### Monday, Dec. 19th

Vermont Food Bank at WRCC 10-11am

### Tuesday, Dec. 20th

Primary Sing at 2:10pm

### Thursday, Dec. 22nd

Early Release at 11:30  
 Enjoy your Holidays!



**Movie Night at GSS!**  
**Friday, December 9th at**

**6:30pm**

**"Rise of the Guardians" (Rated PG)**

If you are able to bring a non-perishable food item to donate to our Feed The Thousands campaign, we'll appreciate it!



## PTO NEWS WINTER SPORTS!

Yay! Most students have already turned in Winter Sports registration forms! If you haven't yet...

PLEASE REVIEW, COMPLETE AND RETURN THE PAPERWORK **TODAY!**

*You can jot a note on the form if you need to make a payment arrangement for a later date.*

**PAPERWORK DEADLINE: FRI., DEC. 2nd**

**What's next:**

- Parents who indicated that they would like to chaperone will be contacted.
- The committee and staff will make schedule arrangements, so that all staff members will attend and support activities throughout the 4 weeks.
- If you have made a payment arrangement, please remember to turn in your payment as soon as you can. Thank you so much!



On Saturday, November 19th, the Green Street School

Spelling Team competed in the State Spelling Bee at Northfield Jr/Sr High School. They came in at 2nd place! We couldn't be more proud of our team! Congratulations on the efforts of Coach Madame Charkes, and spellers: David Berkson- Harvey, Thomas Hyde, Sylvie Lann, Eben Wagner, Evie Kiehle, and Autumn Nuzman.



**Feed the Thousands**

Green Street kicked off its annual Feed the Thousands campaign this week. We will be collecting donations of

**non-perishable foods and personal care items until December 16th.**

**Last year we collected over 1,000 pounds of donations, and we hope to once again beat this goal!**

**Please consider a donation to families in need when you're doing your Thanksgiving shopping. Bins will be set up around the school, and we'll keep you posted about our progress!**



An Invitation from the Brattleboro Town School Board:  
 WHAT IS THE VOTE ON "RELEASING VERNON" ALL ABOUT?  
 WHAT'S THE LATEST ON ACT 46?

**Thursday, December 8th 6:00 - 7:15pm at Academy School**

On December 13th, the towns of Brattleboro, Guilford, Putney and Dummerston will vote yes or no on releasing Vernon from Brattleboro Union High School. Vernon representatives will be on hand to answer, and Act 46 Study Committee will present updated information on Act 46.

## Free Class for Kids at the Co-Op

### Fun With Food & Art: Sweet Holidays



This class explores **CUPCAKES** in the current exhibit, "Luscious," at the Brattleboro Museum. We will meet at the Museum, absorb some beautiful luscious artworks, and then walk to the Co-op kitchen to prepare food related to the topic. We will make, decorate, and eat many, many cupcakes! Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, 10am-12pm, at the Brattleboro Food Co-op Cooking Classroom. Free, Registration Required, [802-246-2821](tel:802-246-2821), or [msbfc@sover.net](mailto:msbfc@sover.net)

This is how your child may feel, when playing at recess time on cold, wintry days.



This is how your child may feel after recess, sitting in wet clothes.



Can you pack an extra pair of socks and some leggings or sweatpants in your child's backpack, just in case? Thanks!



### ASPs After School Programs

Fall Session: Oct 1 - Dec 15  
Winter Session: Jan 9 - Mar 10  
Spring Session: Mar 20-May 11

### After School Programs Updates:

The **Fall Session** of After School Programs and Tutoring continues on Mondays, Wednesdays and/or Thursdays **through December 15th**.

The **WINTER SESSION** of After School Programs **begins on January 9th!**

We're looking forward to a whole new set of programs for our students starting in January.

Next week, we will send home fresh program brochures for upcoming opportunities. Please be sure to review options. Note: All students will not necessarily be able to participate in *each* activity they wish to, as there are age requirements and participation limits for each activity.

**Holiday Craft Fair**  
**VERNON ELEMENTARY**  
Friday, Dec. 2nd 4-8pm  
Saturday, Dec. 3rd 9am-3pm



## Half Price Pool and Fitness Room!!

The Comfort Inn and Suites in Brattleboro Vermont would like to welcome you to our December pool and fitness room *discount days!*



For all of the month of December we will be offering half-priced admission. You will have access to both the pool and fitness room from 6am-10pm. Where: Comfort Inn and Suites 1186 Putney Rd. (802)579-1344 When: Whole month of December Time: During normal operation hours 6:00AM- 10:00PM Cost: \$5.00 for a family of up to 4 people

*\*This is not a school sponsored activity\**



The WRCC Food Bank Drop off that occurs the **1st and 3rd Monday of every month (next time is December 5th)** will be in a **NEW** location. It will be in the back of the parking lot across from the main entrance to Brattleboro Union High School on Fairground Road.

*If your children attend any of the schools in the WSESU*

*School district, you are welcome to come and pick up fresh produce.*

And guess what else is coming up soon...!  
Everyone's favorite 5K Run/Walk Event!  
Yes.... It's... the 5th Annual Green Street School Tulip Trot 5K!



*Be on the lookout for Mr. Speno's sponsorship challenge, coming home soon.*

## Green Street School Spirit Wear

ORDER DEADLINE  
FRIDAY  
DECEMBER 2ND

<https://greenstreet.itemorder.com>

**T-shirts Hoodies Sweatpants  
Hats Cinch Back**

