

Straight from the Gecko

September 29, 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!

Friday, September 30th

Movie Night! 6:30 pm - The Jungle Book

Monday, October 3rd

Veggie VanGo Program at WRCC
10-11:00am

Wednesday, October 5th

Walk to School Day

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Cross Country Team Meet at Chesterfield School

Friday, October 7th

Spelling Bee at 3:45

START SOMETHING... Become a BIG Today!

The people at Big Brothers Big Sisters of Windham County are gearing up for a BIG volunteer recruitment campaign and could use your help! The official kick off of the 30 Bigs in 30 Days campaign is October 1st. The goal is to match the 30 children (and counting) on the waiting list by the end of 2016! Have you considered being a "Big?" Please contact Kimberly, Gina or Sarah at:

Big Brothers Big Sisters of
Windham County

32 Walnut Street, Brattleboro,
VT 05302

802-257-0361 ext. 142

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our new website at

<http://youthservicesinc.org/mentoring>



Big Brothers Big Sisters

Coming Next Week....

The GSS After School Program Brochure!

Families will have a chance to review all the after-school offerings for students, and sign up for them! Please be sure to review it, and sign up right away! Some offerings have participation limits.

Green Street School Annual TAG SALE How did we do? Awesome!

The Green Street School community of families, students and staff pulled together to earn over \$3,000 for PTO initiatives at Green Street School. Our students can look forward to some great enrichment events at school this year. Thank you, GSS people!



LET'S DO THIS!

Wednesday, October 5th

It's International Walk to School Day! This year, IWTSD coincides with Vermont's Way to Go! Challenge, which is a time to green up our commutes to school and work. **If 50%**

of the students at Green Street walk, bicycle, take the bus, or carpool, we can be entered in a raffle to win an AllEarth Solar Tracker for our school. The Solar Tracker is valued at \$32,000 (including permitting and installation) and we can save up to \$85,000 in energy costs over its lifetime! Wow! That's worth it! Please walk, cycle, carpool, or take the bus that day so that we can enter!



Vermont Food Bank

The Vermont Foodbank's **VeggieVanGo** Program is here at the Windham Regional Career Center!

**1st and 3rd Monday
of each month from
10:00-11:00.**

If your children attend any of the schools in the WSESU School district, you are welcome to come and pick up fresh produce.



Spelling Bee

Several GSS students in 5th and 6th grade have been diligently practicing their spelling, in anticipation of the upcoming Brattleboro Town Spelling Bee! The event takes place On



October 7th at 3:45pm in our school gymnasium. We are proud of their academic commitment to this challenging endeavor.

CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

The Green Street Cross Country Running Team attended their first meet this week at Surry Village Charter School. They competed



against 14 other schools, and everyone ran a great race.

Make sure to congratulate Karson E., Clara S., Kali T., Autumn N., Simon R., Malachi H., Cameron F., and Will M. when you see them around school on a job well done! The next cross country meet will take place on Wednesday, October 5th, at Chesterfield School.

**Thank You,
from our Grade 6 Students**

Many 6th grade families generously provided baked goods for the Open House Bake Sale last night at Green Street School. Some of the sixth grade students helped at the Bake Sale table, while talking to families about the variety of delicious choices to help raise money for their end of the year field trip. Thank you very much to families that baked, students that worked, and "customers" who kindly donated money for this bake sale. We appreciate you all :)

Deadline 10/7/16

The United Way is offering a Kids in Coats program for families in need of warm clothing. There are criteria that need to be met to receive a voucher for a coat.

The criteria are:



United Way
of Windham County

- Children must be between the ages of 0 through 6th grade
- Children must reside in Windham County
- Families must be at or below 130% of Federal Poverty level

Families will receive a voucher for a coat that is valid 11/1/16–1/31/17. All eligible families may not receive assistance due to limited resources. There will be a lottery system for eligible families. Please call Tracy at 254-3737, ext 305 or email tbperrin@wsesu.org for an application.

**Brattleboro Youth Rock Festival Comes to Downtown
Saturday, October 1!**

Fourteen youth rock bands and solo artists will take the stage at 118 Elliot in downtown Brattleboro, Vermont on Saturday, October 1 for BrattRock 2016, the first Brattleboro Youth Rock Festival. Performances will take place between 5:00 and 10:00 PM. Gates open at 4:30 PM. The festival will also feature food vendors, as well as an arts and crafts activity tent hosted by the River Gallery School. All are invited to attend this family-friendly event.

Advance tickets are available online via the BrattRock website at www.brattrock.org. Prices are \$8 adults/\$6 students in advance and \$10 adults /\$8 students at the door. Proceeds from the event will be donated to Youth Services.

About Box Tops for Education

Box Tops for Education is a program started by General Mills which helps communities provide kids the tools needed for success by generating cash that schools can use for what they need most.



America's schools have earned more than \$715 million through Box Tops for Education since the program began in 1996. Enrolled schools earned more than \$78 million dollars for the 2014-2015 school year. More than 80,000 K-8th grade schools participate in the program. There are more than 90,000 Coordinators involved in the program.

Please support our 6th graders' end-of-the-year class trip, and send in your boxtops!