

Straight from the Gecko

September 15, 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!

Thurs. & Fri. Sept. 22nd & 23rd

Sorting and pricing items for the tag sale-gymnasium, after school until 7pm

Saturday, Sept. 24th

GSS Annual Tag Sale, 8am-noon

Tuesday, Sept. 27th 2:10pm

Primary Sing in the Library

Tuesday, Sept. 27th after school

Grade 4-6 Cross Country Team's meet at Surry Village School

Wednesday, Sept. 28th,

Open House~Family picnic dinner provided for all GSS kids and families. 5:30-7:00pm

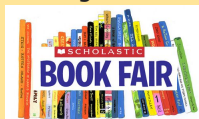
PRACTICE FRENCH AT HOME
WITH LINGUASCOPE!



Green Street School subscribes to Linguascope, an online language-learning website. Please take advantage of our subscription by logging on and playing fun French games (there are other languages there, too!). You can access it on any digital device. Login: gssfrench
Password: yellowfish.

Amusez-vous bien! Enjoy!

Oak Grove School On-Line Book Fair
Our friends at Oak Grove School are having a book fair.



The online portion of the book fair will be available from 9/14 through 9/27. This can be accessed by going to www.scholastic.com/fair and choosing Oak Grove School.

Green Street School Annual Mega TAG SALE

Saturday, Sept. 24th

Early Prep at 7am

Sale: 8:00am - Noon

(Clean-up at noon!)



Thursday, Sept. 22

**2:45pm-7pm Sorting and Tagging Items
in Gymnasium**

Friday, Sept. 23

2:45pm-7pm Sorting, Tagging, Staging Items



OPEN HOUSE

Save the Date: **Wednesday, September 28th 5:30-7:00**

Open House for Green Street School Families

Grilled burgers & veggie burgers (bring a salad if you wish)

- Teacher presentations ■ Community ■
- Family ■ Fun ■

■ Bake Sale Fundraiser for 6th Grade Field Trip! ■



Green Street School Academics

The following note was recently received from a teacher at Brattleboro Area Middle School:

"I have been amazed by how prepared our incoming seventh graders are in strategies for and the vocabulary of an excellent affective education and wanted to pass along my heartfelt thanks on behalf of our students. It is clear to me that our outstanding elementary colleagues are explicitly teaching these habits and problem-solving skills which help our children persist and plan with staff for their educational and personal needs, thereby ensuring their success... Seventh graders arriving at BAMS are, indeed, transferring the strategies for learning their elementary teachers taught them so well."



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:

- 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.

Please save items you would like to donate to the Annual GSS Mega Tag Sale! Items can be dropped off after school on Thur. & Fri., Sept. 22nd & 23rd.



Please, no electronics. Sell-able items only!

Performing Arts Scholarships for Windham County students.

A small scholarship program has been recently established to assist young people in Windham County who would like to attend programs in performing arts at local institutions teaching mime, dance, voice, theatre, et al, but whose families may need financial assistance. The scholarship, IHOP (In Honor of Paul) was created to recognize the life, career and great humanity of Paul Ricci, resident of Westminster West, who not only gave great joy to audiences through his dancing and acting but never failed to encourage, with great grace, innate patience and joy - us all to dance. Paul passed away in July.

Scholarship eligibility follows the financial guidelines used by public schools in determining participation in the federally funded Free Lunch program, and we ask parents to work with their child's school guidance counselor if interested in applying. To date, IHOP has sponsored 2 students at NEYT, 1 at Kelly's Dance Academy, and a hip-hop class at the Academy/Green Street summer program. This fall season we encourage our 3 summer recipients to re-apply, and hope to have new applicants. We are also starting a dance program for young people in residential programs at the Brattleboro Retreat.



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!

Thinking ahead...

Session I of After School Tutoring and After-School Enrichment Programming will begin October 17th. Information will be sent home soon about a variety of carefully planned and scheduled programs that will keep your students educated, engaged, and enjoying the Green Street School community of learners and educators.

PRINCIPAL POST- MULTI-TIERED SYSTEM OF SUPPORT

This year at Green Street School we have adopted a true MTSS (Multi-Tiered System of Support) master schedule. Our schedule supports the core curriculum by dedicating specific time in the schedule for tier 1, tier 2 and tier 3 instruction.

TIER 1:

Tier 1 instruction is for the core grade level class and includes sixty minutes for both math and literacy instruction to the whole class, and ninety minutes of tier 1 literacy instruction in grades K-2.

TIER 2:

In our literacy block we also have a tier 2 support built into our schedule. Tier 2 allows for a thirty-minute block of time each day for us to fine-tune our instruction towards the specific needs of each child, which could include intervention or enrichment, and is skill-based.

TIER 3:

In our master schedule this year we have also included a tier 3 block of time. Tier 3 is an additional time set aside for small group instruction focused on intervention or enrichment in any subject taught at Green Street School. We often refer to our tier 3 as the WIN block that stands for "What I Need". This is just another example of how we continually evolve as a school to meet the numerous needs of all our amazing students!

