



Current Events

Global News

Britain leaving the EU

By Jonathan Ballard

Britain is officially leaving the European Union on Friday, January 31st at 11:01 at night..

Britain is finally leaving the European Union after three-and-a-half years, three prime ministers and seemingly endless votes in Parliament since the 2016 Brexit referendum. Britain will finally become the first ever country to leave the European Union at 11:01 p.m. GMT on Friday.

Despite this cataclysmic event, almost all of the immediate changes will be invisible to the public. The United Kingdom will enter the transition period that was agreed between the British government and the EU. And the terms of that agreement mean that for the next 11 months, the UK remains an EU member state in all but name.

Coronavirus

By Mackenzie Douglas

There is a mystery virus spreading all around the world. It began in Wuhan, China, and the killer virus is spreading rapidly. To try to limit the spread of the disease, China has taken the extreme step of closing off several large cities and canceling Chinese New Year celebrations. In early December, the first case of a new illness was found in Wuhan. The disease, which causes pneumonia, had not been seen before, but scientists identified it as a coronavirus. Coronaviruses are viruses that have a spiky ring around them like a crown when viewed with a powerful microscope. Though there are many coronaviruses which affect animals, until recently, only six coronaviruses were known to affect humans. Four of these cause common colds. The other two cause more serious lung illnesses, and can be deadly. Experts say the virus came from an Wuhan seafood market which also sold live animals. The market has now been closed. Scientists believe the virus may have jumped from animals to humans, but they don't know yet what animal the virus came from. Based on these results, the authors said the 2019-nCoV likely originated in [bats](#). However, no bats were sold at the Huanan seafood market, which suggests that another yet-to-be-identified animal acted as a stepping stone of sorts to transmit the virus to humans. As of the time this article was written, the virus has made at least 800 people sick and left 100 of them dead. The virus can easily spread to Hong Kong, Australia, Thailand, and even the U.S.

Sports

7th/8th Grade Girls Basketball

January 31, 2020

- Barre City Bulldogs Vs Echo Valley Owls: 34-32; Bulldogs win!

February 3, 2020

- Barre City Bulldogs at Hazen 37-26; Bulldogs win!

7th Grade Boys Basketball

January 29, 2020

- Barre City Bulldogs Vs Stowe 37-19; Bulldogs win!

February 3, 2020

- Barre City Bulldogs at Hazen 29-38; a loss for the Bulldogs.

8th Grade Boys Basketball

January 31, 2020

- Barre City Bulldogs Vs Echo Valley Owls: 56-29; Bulldogs victory!

February 3, 2020

- Barre City Bulldogs at Hazen: 32-44; a loss for the Bulldogs.

Community

Elementary Students of the Week:

By Emma Sweeney

January 31, 2020

- Kindergarten: Austin Cole from Mrs. Laughlin's class.
- First Grade: Madilyn Blandin in Mrs. Foley's class
- Second Grade: David Quinonez in Mrs. Sheffery's class
- Third Grade:
- Fourth Grade: Paige Murray from Ms. Abraham's class

Middle School Stand Up Winners:

By Madison Sleeper

January 20, 2020-January 24, 2020

- Pride: Hannah Lafond and Mathea Fecteau
- Rise: Parker D. and Cameren
- Ujamaa: Kaleb Sayers and Keating Carpenter

January 27, 2020-January 27, 2020

- Rise: Leah Buzzi, Justus, and Philip
- Ujamaa: Abby Parker and Taiden Grammer

First grade animals in winter project

By Madison sleeper

Mrs. Felches first grade class is learning about woodland animals in winter and the three ways they survive here in Vermont. Last week, the class made cereal box feeders to help adapting animals like deer, cardinals, rabbits, and foxes. The feeders will be hung in the woods by our school. They will also be using a tracking sheet as they look for tracks of the animals that stay active in the wintertime in Vermont. The class is wondering: What other animals do you see during the winter in Vermont? How do they adapt to stay alive during our cold winter weather? What could you do to help? Responses to these questions can be sent to the Bulldog Bulletin care of Ms. Neddo at mneddbce@buusd.org.

