



Dear WRVS Families,

Yesterday afternoon our K-5 scholars enjoyed an amazing performance by folk duo, The Rough & Tumble. Thank you to our music teacher, Thomas Chapin for bringing this performance to WRVS! [Here's a snippet](#); to see more photos and videos, please "like" the school's [Facebook page](#).

Communication about today's delayed start was pushed out through Infinite Campus, our student information system. If you did not receive a phone call AND an email, please contact Lisa Thompson at 439-5534. She will check your child's record and update any contact information as needed.

Thank you, Mother Nature! With this wonderful snow, the WRVS Winter Activity Program will commence next week. In order to make up the couple of weeks we have missed due to the lack of snow, Middle School scholars will be snowshoeing or going to Northeast Slopes to ski or board on Wednesday and Friday next week, while our K-5 scholars will participate in their fun-filled winter activities on Friday afternoon. Yes, we're very excited!

Thank you to all that joined the Community Outreach meeting earlier this week.; I appreciate you joining the conversation and I value your input. While these meetings will be held via Zoom during the Winter months, I do plan to meet in person come Spring. The next Community Outreach meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 16 at 6:00PM.

Please be sure your child comes to school each day with appropriate winter clothing that will keep them warm and dry while they're out on the playground. Although we prefer that everyone is dressed to play and romp in the snow, those scholars who aren't prepared for the winter weather will stay under the shelter on the playground.

The lost and found, located in the front entry continues to grow. Is your child missing and clothing? Please stop by and check out the collection to see if anything belongs to him or her.

Please mark your calendar that Wednesday, February 1 is an early dismissal at 11:45 for scholars. That afternoon staff will participate in important professional development with OESU.

Our school calendar indicates Friday, March 17 is an in-service day for staff and no school for scholars. In order to make up for the snow day in December, scholars will now have a half day of school on Friday, March 17 with dismissal at 11:45, while staff will participate in professional development that afternoon.

Have a good weekend,
Carlotta Perantoni

Kindergarten Registration

Thursday, March 16 & Friday, March 17



Parents of children who reside in the towns of Corinth and Topsham who will be five-years-old on or before 8.31.23 should call the school secretary, Lisa Thompson at 439-5534 to schedule a time to register their child for Kindergarten for the 2023-2024 school year. If you know of anyone who may not see this newsletter, please share this information.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

TO CURRENT KINDERGARTEN FAMILIES

Thursday, March 16 & Friday, March 17

There will be NO SCHOOL for our current Kindergarten scholars on these days, so our teachers can register next years' Kindergarten class.

Interested in becoming a Volunteer at WRVS?

Thinking about year-end field trips and our annual field day where we're always looking for parent volunteers; before you can volunteer with us, Orange East Supervisory Union has a requirement that all volunteers apply, complete a background check process, and track hours in our online volunteer tracking software. The turnaround time for this process is approximately 3-4 weeks.

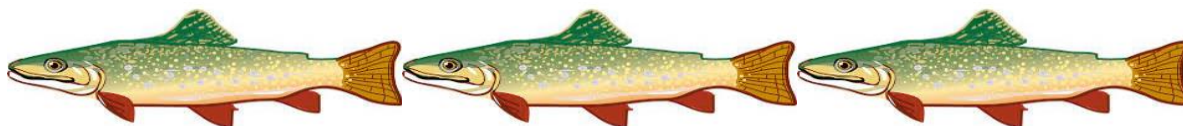
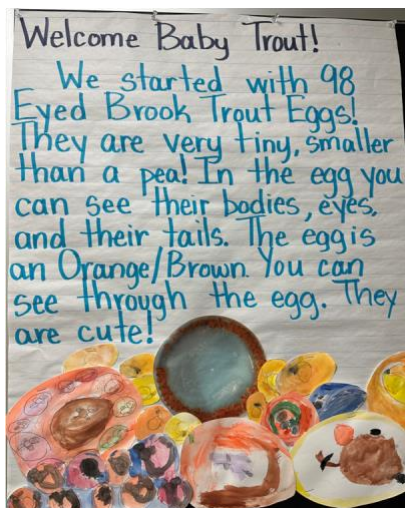
Here is a link to the [OESU Volunteer Tracker](#). If you have any questions or you need assistance, please contact Judy Colby at OESU; judy.colby@oesu.org or 802-222-5216 ext. 6121.

Mrs. Bates is a Trout in The Classroom participant! This is her 7th year participating in the program.

This year, her 1st Graders, have begun the process of raising the trout. Here are a few photos of their process so far.

The photo of the two eggs are two that were removed due to showing signs of the dreaded white fungus.

They started with 98, lost the two, and now have 96. Their next update will follow soon.



**Through the month of January...
Get Your WRVS Wildcat Apparel!**

Here is the link for the WRVS apparel order:

<https://shop.game-one.com/vermont/east-corinth/waits-river-valley-school>

As you will see, there are a variety of designs and each can be customized. Once you click on the item you want, select "View More Designs" to see them all. The apparel is shipped directly to your home.

Early Release for Professional Development

Wednesday, February 1 – dismissal at 11:45 AM

5th Grade to the Hood Museum

Wednesday, February 22

River of Light Lantern Walk

Wednesday, February 22 at 6:00 PM

Winter Break

Monday, February 27 – Tuesday, March 7

Kindergarten Registration

Thursday, March 16 & Friday, March 17

Middle School Musical

Thursday, March 16 & Friday, March 17

Open Gym at WRVS

Sunday, January 21 ~ 1:00 to 5:00 PM

WILDCAT BASKETBALL NEWS...



Friday, January 20: WRVS @ Rivendell – 7/8 Girls @ 4:45 – 7/8 Boys @ 6:00

Monday, January 23: Oxbow @ WRVS – 7/8 Girls @ 5:30

Tuesday, January 24: WRVS @ TA – 7/8 Girls @ 6:15

Tuesday, January 24: WRVS @ SME – 3/4 Girls @ 5:30 – 3/4 Boys @ 6:45

Wednesday, January 25: Monroe @ WRVS - 3/4 Girls @ 5:00 – 3/4 Boys @ 6:00

Wednesday, January 25: WRVS @ NES – 5/6 Girls @ 5:30 – 5/6 Boys @ 6:30

Thursday, January 26: WRVS @ St. Monica's – 5/6 Boys @ 5:30 -7/8 Boys @ 7:00

Thursday, January 26: WRVS @ BES - 3/4 Girls @ 5:30 – 3/4 Boys @ 6:30

Friday, January 27: SME @WRVS – 5/6 Girls @ 5:00 – 5/6 Boys @ 6:00

Saturday, January 14: K-2 Instructional Basketball! Girls from 8:00 to 9:00 – Boys from 9:00 to 10:00



Always... **BE KIND**



KIND KIDS...

On the left; 4th Grade scholars, Paige Smith, Peyton Rossi, and Nicholas Shaffer-Evans with Mrs. Emerson, Mrs. Perantoni & Mrs. Bell
On the right; Kindergarten scholars, Sophia Beck and Lane Stearns, with Mrs. Perantoni & Miss Tyson

THANKS FOR BEING KIND...IT'S IMPORTANT & IT MATTERS AT WRVS

River of Light Lantern Walk

We will be holding our 3rd Annual River of Light at WRVS on February 22, 2023. It is a celebration of kindness and peace for our community. Many communities around the world gather together in solidarity and parade with light to celebrate this human quality that is so important to the well-being of us all.

The parade will begin at 6:00PM. Scholars, families, and community members, please plan to arrive at WRVS prior to 5:45PM. Please note the parking lot will be closed after that time so we can safely begin our parade at 6:00pm.

Each scholar is participating in creating a lantern. K-2 scholars are building a half-sphere lantern with papier mache, 3-5 scholars are making rectangular prisms with parchment paper and watercolors, and 6-8 scholars are constructing spheres with reed and papier mache, as well as some of their own 3D sculptural lanterns designs.

Families and community members are invited to create a lantern using one of the methods listed above. More information to follow.

CLASS OF 2023 CALENDAR RAFFLE...scroll down to see the daily prizes!

The 8th Grade class of Waits River Valley School is having a calendar raffle to benefit their class trip at the end of this school year. They have collected some awesome prizes and are hoping this will be a successful fundraiser.

For each day during the month of February, a lucky winner will be drawn to win one of these prizes. We'll post the prize calendar as soon as it's complete. Ticket sales will start on Tuesday, January 17 and go through Tuesday, January 31, with the first prize being drawn on Wednesday, February 1. On Fridays, three tickets will be drawn to cover the weekend.

Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. If you're feeling lucky and would like to support our Class of 2023, please contact an 8th Grade scholar. As always, we thank you for your support.

February 2023

WRVS 8th Grade Calendar Raffle

Calendar subject to change

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 \$25 Chapman's Gift Card	2 6'x9' Rug from Valley Floors 2 day passes to Northeast Slopes	3 "Pizza Party" (Lg. Pizza, 2 liter soda and chips) from the East Corinth Store	4 Handmade Goods and \$20 Gift Card from Windsor Lane \$25 In Season Gift Card
5 Bruce Murray Mug 2 lbs of Coffee from Upper Valley Coffee Roasters	6 \$25 Sarduacci's Gift Card \$25 Applebee's Gift Card	7 1 hour massage from Abby Copeland Massage Earrings from Old Soul Jewelry	8 \$25 Party Store Gift Certificate Custom Cake/Cupcakes from Mad Baker Bakery	9 1/2 Gallon Maple Syrup from Kingsbury Sugaring \$25 Thompson Hill Campground Gift Card	10 \$25 Colatina Exit Gift Card	11 \$10 Tractor Supply Gift Card Haircut with Courtney at Colonial Barbershop
12 1 cubic yard of compost from Sandberg Farm	13 2 day passes to Northeast Slopes	14 \$10 Gather Together Cafe Gift Card KBB Custom Creations Tumbler	15 NorthFace Backpack from Farmway Vera Bradley bag from Lenny	16 Basket of Goodies from Bliss Village Store \$50 Kidder's Rustic Touch Gift Certificate	17 \$25 Little Grille Gift Card	18 \$200 worth of cleaning from The Jack, LLC. Hair Care Products from Robert Lawrence Salon
19 \$25 Jan's Fairlee Diner Gift Card \$25 Images Salon Gift Certificate for products	20 \$50 Oakes Brothers Gift Card	21 2 lift tickets to Burke Mountain	22 \$100 Gift Card to Watson's Garage Handcrafted Wooden Bowl Earrings from Ruggle's Forest Creations	23 \$10 Twin City Lanes Gift Card Large Pizza at Mister Z's	24 \$25 Colatina Exit Gift Card	25 1 hour of Bouncy House or Archery Tag at Running Water Recreation \$20 T'CLL Concession Stand Gift Certificate
26 \$10 Tractor Supply Gift Card Backwoods Crafting Wildcats Tumbler	27 Teisha's Trash to Treasure \$50 Little Grille Gift Card	28 \$100 Oakes Brothers Gift Card Two 1/2 price lift tickets to Burke Mountain				

Tucker Mountain Family Snow Day
 Saturday January 28, 2023 ~ Noon-dusk
 East Parking Lot (West Newbury Side)
 1576 Tucker Mountain Road

Create your own work of natural art and be part of the Tucker Mountain Nature Art Installation. Bring your own nature collecting baskets and snow sculpting supplies (shovels, block makers, buckets, kitchen spoons, etc).

Snowshoe or hike along the trails to be inspired by nature, collecting items that are Dead, Down and Detached to create a nature mandala, sculpted snow creatures or fairy igloos. Collaborate with other nature artists on the "lawn" by the parking lot to create snowy sculptures or create your own piece along the trail, wherever you are moved to display your work! And warm yourself by the fire pit.

This art installation will only be on display as long as the elements will allow!

Be sure to check the Tucker Mountain Town Forest Facebook page for any updates. Questions? Email tuckertownforest@gmail.com.

