



Dear WRVS Families,

It was a rough day across Vermont earlier this week. Hoax or not, the stress, the worry, the reality was widespread. I want to assure you that if such a risk, concern, or call came into WRVS we would immediately move into our emergency response procedures. We will immediately utilize appropriate resources to determine the risk, with a full evacuation plan going into place if necessary. Please know that we have practiced, talked, and planned for these moments and we will inform you immediately of any risk or concern.

Yesterday we celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school. This is always an exciting day for our young scholars and I revel in sharing that excitement. There were lots of smiles, laughter, and counting going on. Photos are posted on the school's [Facebook page](#); "like us" to follow along.

Our middle school scholars were fortunate to enjoy some winter activities Wednesday afternoon. The snowshoeing was a success as was the skiing and boarding at NES. Today the weather put a pause on our Winter Activity Program; we'll hope for better weather next week.

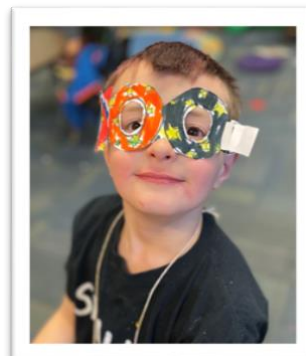
Valentine's Day is Tuesday, February 14. It will be another festive day at WRVS. If your child will be sharing Valentine's cards, please stress the importance of sharing with everyone in the class. As a reminder, treats are ok, but they must be nut free. Please check with your child's teacher or the nurse pertaining to classroom allergy concerns.

The next Community Outreach meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 16 at 6:00PM. Please watch for the Zoom link in your email. I hope you'll join the conversation.

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



## River of Light Lantern Walk

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual River of Light at WRVS will be held 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.

What: Little League Registration

When: Sunday February 19, 2023

Where: WRVS Gym

Time: 9-11

Fees: \$40 T-ball, \$45 all other teams



If your child is interested in playing baseball or softball this year and will be 5 years old by August 31, 2023, please come to the mandatory parent meeting. Your child will be fitted for the upcoming season uniform, parent and player code of conduct reviewed, and applications and fees completed.

### Community Outreach

Thursday, February 16 at 6:00 PM

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade to the Hood Museum

Wednesday, February 22

### River of Light Lantern Walk

Wednesday, February 22 at 6:00 PM

### Parents vs. Coaches Basketball Game

Friday, February 24 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



Friday, February 10: Sharon Academy @ WRVS – 7/8 Boys @ 6:45

Friday, February 10: WRVS @ TES – 5/6 Boys @ 5:00

Saturday, February 11: K-2 Instructional Basketball from 8:00 to 9:00

Monday, February 13: Rivendell @ WRVS – 7/8 Girls @ 5:00 – 7/8 Boys @ 6:15

Tuesday, February 14: BMU @ WRVS – 5/6 Girls @ 5:00 – 5/6 Boys @ 6:00

Wednesday, February 15: Rivendell @ WRVS – 7/8 Boys @ 6:15

Wednesday, February 15: WRVS @ TES – 5/6 Girls @ 5:00 – 5/6 Boys @ 6:00

Thursday, February 16: BES @ WRVS – 3/4 Girls @ 5:30 – 3/4 Boys @ 6:30

Thursday, February 16: WRVS @ Haverhill – 7/8 Girls @ 5:00 – 7/8 Boys @ 6:00

Friday, February 17: Haverhill @ WRVS -5/6 Girls @ 5:30 – 5/6 Boys @ 6:30

Saturday, February 18: K-2 Instructional Basketball from 8:00 to 9:00

## Open Gym at WRVS

Sunday, February 12 ~ 1:00 to 5:00 PM

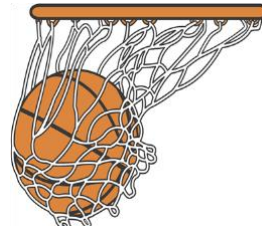


Photo on the left; Middle School scholars Maya Heidenreich, CC Wilds, Asher Bushey, Gabby Snider, Ben Nalette, Levi Thompson, Jordan Tolbert & Gracie Pierson pictured with Mrs. Eldred, Mrs. King & Mrs. Perantoni

Pictured below, PK scholars, Bailee Smith, Briar Emerson & Chelsea Ellison with Mrs. Osgood, Mrs. Jacobs & Mrs. Perantoni, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade scholars, Mya Barber, Grayson Kilduff, Grace Moore, Olivia Lapan, Sarah Jane Welch, Albert Phillips & Jakob Stearns with Mrs. Perantoni, Mrs. Thompson & Ms. Fellows, and Connor Shreve with Mrs. Perantoni & Miss. Martin.



## KIND Kids Are Everywhere at WRVS!



### Mark Your Calendar....

Annual Parent vs. Coaches Basketball Game

Friday, February 24 at 6:00 PM

Half-time recognition of basketball players

A GREAT way to wrap up a GREAT season!



Mrs. Thompson education grant submission was selected to receive funding for winter outdoor gear.

Earlier this week her 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade class proudly accepted a \$1,000 check from Berlin City Kia.

The money will be used to purchase snowshoes and sleds.

Congratulations Mrs. Thompson!



Lace up your grooving shoes: world class concert experiences are coming to an intimate venue near you.

Rooted Entertainment — a grassroots creative economy collective devoted to enhancing music culture locally in part by increasing youth access to quality instruments — is pleased to announce the upcoming *Music Matters Concert Series* to benefit the Waits River Valley School music program.

Beginning Fri., Feb. 17, the *Music Matters Concert Series* showcases six acts over the span of 15 weeks, ranging from the Afro-Caribbean reggae of Mal Maiz and African jazz ensemble Jomion and the Uklos, to tropical Colombian folk outfit Dilemastronauta and traditional Jamaican reggae maestro Mighty Mystic. The series won't be without New England-based artistic flare, with Hartford, Conn.-based funk/soul specialists The New Mosaic and Vermont bluegrass ensemble Beg, Steal or Borrow rounding out the festivities in May and June.

With **admission to all shows by donation at the door**, the *Music Matters Concert Series* will debut at The Listening Room at East Coast Van Builds (490 Lower Plain, Bradford, Vt.) continue for the remainder of the series at Fairlee Town Hall (75 Town Common Rd., Fairlee, Vt.). Food vendors with eats inspired by the evening's music will complement each performance.

All proceeds from the *Music Matters Concert Series* will assist in purchasing musical instruments and equipment for the new "Live Band" curriculum at Waits River Valley School, serving students in grades K-8 from Corinth and Topsham, Vt.

The *Music Matters Concert Series* is sponsored by Farm-Way, Valley Floors and Copeland Furniture.

Here is the concert lineup (all shows start at 6 p.m.)

Fri. Feb. 17	Mal Maiz (Costa Rican Afro-Latin Orchestra)	(East Coast Van Builds)
Sat. March 11	Jomion and the Uklos (West African Jazz)	(Fairlee Town Hall)
Fri. April 14	Mighty Mystic (Jamaican Reggae)	(Fairlee Town Hall)
Sat. April 29	Dilemastronauta (Columbian Tropicalia)	(Fairlee Town Hall)
Sat. May 13	The New Mozaic (American Soul/Funk) Gentleman Brawlers (Soul /Jazz)	(Fairlee Town Hall)
Fri. June 2	Beg, Steal or Borrow (Vermont Bluegrass)	(Fairlee Town Hall)

For more information, contact [thomas.chapin@oesu.org](mailto:thomas.chapin@oesu.org).





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# Rivers Edge SC - Spring 2023

## Location

We will train at Rivendell Academy in Orford, NH, and be members of the Vermont Soccer League (VSL) in the Vermont Soccer Association.

Teams - Travel teams for boys and girls. We will have a High School age team (birth years 2004-2008) and a Middle School age team (birth years 2009-2011)

Youth Clinic - 3 nights a week for 7 weeks we will offer a non-travel option for younger players looking for skill development. Birth years 2012-2015

## Dates

Practices will be two to three evenings a week from Mid-April - Late-June. Our early practice schedule will be dependent on snowmelt and field conditions.

We will play our games in the Vermont Soccer League. Games will begin at the beginning of May. All games with the league will be in Vermont.

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