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the VLUS Weekly

Take Home Thursday

VLUS Supports the Jimmy Fund

Thank you to all the students, staff and families who helped with the car wash, and bake, jewelry and t-shirt sales this past Saturday at Danehy Park, who graciously hosted us. We enjoyed a beautiful day. Along with previous bunny sales and school supplies, we were able to reach our goal and donate $1000 to the Jimmy Fund! A special thank you to Student Council and Community Service classes, and Ms. Viaud and Kyrk Morris for their dedication.

Photo courtesy of Ms. Cathrina Mili

Save the Date!

6/2: 8th Grade Celebration of Learning, 5:30-6:30pm

6/3: 8th Grade to see Little Rock 9

6/6: Rock Band Concert, 6pm

6/7: Spring Arts Night

6/9: SEI Fenway Trip; Student Council Field Trip

6/10: 6th Grade Work Share

6/16: 8th Grade Graduation

6/17: 8th Grade Six Flags Trip

6/17: 7th Grade Portfolio Breakfast

6/20: 7th Grade Orienteering

6/21: 7th Grade Canobie trip

Eighth Grade Science Take Apart

After a very successful Science Showcase, 8th Grade Science is conducting a "Take-Apart" of electronic devices and items with small motors. Please save and send in items such as computers, flat screens, phones, receivers, turn tables, laptops, humidifiers, speakers, DVD players, etc. Please no air conditioners, TVs with tubes, or large appliances.

Parent Meetings

Ms. Benzan will be holding voluntary parent meetings for 7th Grade Parents, to discuss volunteer opportunities for the 8th Grade Graduation. The meetings will take place on Thursday, June 9 at 8:15am and 3:15pm. Parents only need to attend one of these meetings if interested in volunteering at the graduation ceremony. We hope to see you there!

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Grade News:

6th

Reminder to families that the 6th Grade Work Share will take place on Friday, June 10.

7th

The Portfolio Breakfast will take place Friday, June 17 from 8-8:40am.

We will be attending an orienteering field trip Monday, June 20, and Canobie Lake Tuesday, June 21

Seventh grade parents are wanted and needed to help out with our eighth grade graduation on June 16. Please see Ms. Tanya Benzan for more information.

8th

The 8th grade celebration of learning will be on June 2 from 5:30-6:30pm. All families are welcome to view the student science showcase and the French portfolios.

We will be going on a field trip to see the Little Rock 9 Play on Friday, June 3.

8th Grade students should have brought home their end of year packets. That info can also be found at tinyurl.com/vlus8

Summer Opportunities

Summer is just around the corner, and many students are gearing up for various summer programming in and around Cambridge.

Many programs can be found on the Summer Resource Guide.
http://www.cpsd.us/UserFiles/Servers/Server_3042785/File/ost/2016_MSN_Summer_RG.pdf

Please see Kyrk Morris, and David Borden, our new OST Liaison from Russell Youth Center, for more information.

SEI Fenway Trip

SEI students and staff will be taking a field trip to Fenway Park on Thursday, June 9.

Spring Arts Night

Tuesday, June 7th is our end of year Celebration of the Arts here at Vassal Lane! We will be featuring the Orchestra, Band, Visual Arts, and Chorus and the exciting creative and hard work of our students and teachers. The music begins at 6pm and the Art Gallery will open at 5:30pm.

Rock Band Summer Jam!

June 6 at Cuisine En Locale

Come Rock out with VLUS's amazing rock bands and have a great night out with food and beverages! Our Winter Jam was a blast and we expect this one to be bigger and more amazing. Food will be served from 5-10pm and the music starts at 6pm. 156 Highland Ave in Somerville. The event is free but donations benefit the FoVLUS Rock Band Fund to support this unique program at our school. Bring a friend and prepare to ROCK!