Champlain Elementary School

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Blue Note & June 1, 2018

Champlain Jazz Chorus - Wed. June 6 at 12:45-1:45pm @ City Hall Stage Come see 4th & 5th graders sing, accompanied by the Pietricola Trio with guitar, saxophone, percussion! Burlington Discover Jazz Festival - Marketplace Student Performance

Vermont Agency of Education: Press Release for Champlain's Skateboard Guitars Performance

"Bring old to new, hope through strings, create a new world with beautiful things," are the last two lines of the song fourth and fifth grade students at Champlain Elementary School composed as a culminating end to their month long artist -in-residence with local musician, composer, and music educator Matt LaRocca. In collaboration with their classroom teachers (Lisa Goetz, Sarah Legault, Aziza Malik, and Kate Mattina), district science coach (Colleen Cowell), visual art teacher and student intern (Sonny Sammut and Christina Bruno), and music teacher (Betsy Greene), Matt taught the students how to build and play an electric guitar using an old skateboard deck and a tin can all while connecting their learning to the environment, engineering, electricity, visual arts, and music composition. The students will perform their music composition featuring the skateboard guitars at their spring concert on May 3rd.

Some of the student-made skateboard guitars will be auctioned off during Champlain School's PTO Trivia Night event on Friday, May 11th, at 6:00 PM at the Saint John's Club in Burlington. The money raised from the auction will go back to the PTO to support the arts at Champlain School. The remaining skateboards will be used in Champlain's music curriculum for years to come, and several students will receive a skateboard guitar to take home in a lottery for all the fourth and fifth graders.

We would like to thank David Wood, owner of Talent Skatepark, for his generous donation all of the skateboard decks; Creston Lea, owner and guitar builder of Creston Electric Instruments for his generous donation of all the guitar strings and for opening his shop to us for pre-drilling on the skateboards; and the PTO for their support of this project; and Matt LaRocca for his talent and inspiration.

Medication Pick-up from Health Office

Please pick up your child's medications including all inhalers and Epi-Pens from the health office on Thursday, June 14 by 11:30 am, the last day of school. Questions? Call the health office at 865-5300.

Mentors needed at the King Street Center!

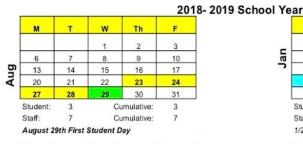
We have numerous kids asking EVERY DAY for a Big Buddy. Do you know any adults with the same ability to give a lot of love as well as time? Please ask them to contact Gabe Tufo Strauss at gabriella@kingstreetcenter.org.

Important Dates

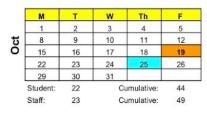
Sunday, June 3 Chan	plain Fun Run - 1-3 mile run/walk - Oakledge Park lower pavilion @ 8:30 AM
Wednesday, June 6	Champlain student performance at Jazz Fest at City Hall Stage @ 12:45 PM
Thursday, June 7	Champlain PTO meeting in the art room @ 7:30-8:30 AM
Friday, June 8	Champlain Volunteer Celebration Breakfast @ 8:10-8:40 AM
Tuesday, June 12	Champlain Fifth-grade Step Up ceremony in the gym @ 6:00 PM

Thursday, June 14 Last day of school - 11:30 AM Dismissal - No Burlington Kids Afterschool

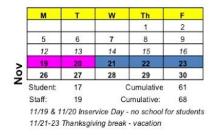
BSD Calendar

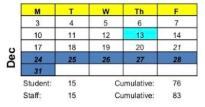






10/19 Inservice Day - no school for students 10/25 Early release day for students

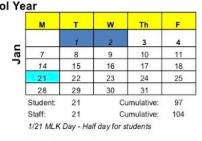




12/13 Early release day for students 12/24-1/2 Holiday Recess - vacation

Early Release Days Inservice Days -- No school for students

First/Last Student Day K-8 and BTC PD; BHS Parent Conferences Vacation Day for Staff and Students K-8 Parent Conferences and BHS/BTC Inservice Additional days depending on school closures

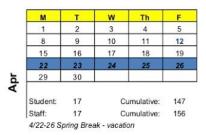


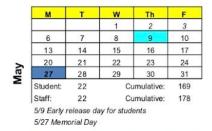


M	Т	W	Th	F
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

Student:	17	Cumulative:	130
Staff:	19	Cumulative:	139
3/4 winter	recess - va	cation	

3/5 Teacher Inservice - no school for students 3/28 Half day for students - PM Parent Conferences 3/29 Parent Conferences - no school for students





Jun	M	т	w	Th	F
	3	4	5	6	7
	10	11	12	13	
5	17	18	19	20	21
	24	25	26	27	28
	Student:	8	Cumulative:		177
	Staff:	9	Cumulative:		187

June 12th - Last day for students dependent on snow days June13th - Last day for staff dependent on snow days June 14 - 18 possible school and/or inservice days depending on closures