

The Sustainability Academy Newsletter

April 1, 2016



Important Dates:

April 3rd -9th Phoenix Books Fundraiser

April 4th - 8:30am - 9:30am - Parent Coffee in the teacher's room

April 4th -5:45pm - 7:30pm - PTO meeting

April 4th - 15th - Smarter Balanced Assessments (SBAC) testing for 4/5th graders

April 15th - Whole School at the Flynn Theatre

April 18th - 22nd - Spring Vacation

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### Lunch Menu

Week of April 4th - 8th



**Monday:** Chicken Patty Sandwich with Baked Potato  
**Tuesday:** Pizza day; Cheese, Turkey Pepperoni or Veggie  
**Wednesday:** Chicken or Bean Nachos  
**Thursday:** Spaghetti & Meatballs with Broccoli  
**Friday:** Teriyaki or Sweet & Sour Chicken

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Parent Coffee



Monday, April 4th
8:30am - 9:30am
In the Staff Room

Cafeteria Corner

Due to Federal Regulations we are required to charge for all food that is provided to adults. Please understand that our goal is to serve every child, every day. While doing that, we welcome all parent / guardians as customers and will serve you in the best way that we can.

Below you will find the prices for the meals

Breakfast \$1.75

Lunch \$3.75

Milk \$.50

A sandwich or a bowl of soup in the lunch line \$2.00.



Morning Move It!

We have more great news from our Morning Move It! fitness program! We are proud to share that we have a new member of our 10 mile mover club!! Congratulations to Dinesh for completing more than 100 laps around our back track! Please offer him your good wishes on his latest achievement when you see him!



Safety Award



Special announcement: The Sustainability Academy was recently awarded with an Innovative Programming Award from Safe Routes to School. They recognized our Student Safety Patrol Program and our Bike Train Program as promoting healthy choices that benefit our community. Way to go!

Smarter Balance Assessment

Each spring students across Vermont take a statewide test called Smarter Balanced assessment (SBAC). Smarter Balanced assessment is required by federal legislation, Every Student Succeeds Act, for students in grades 3 – 8 and grade 11. SBAC is fully aligned with the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) and it uses state of the art computer adaptive testing and accessibility technologies.

Test questions adjust levels of difficulty based on a student's answers to earlier questions. Students needing accommodations have these embedded into the test. With Smarter Balanced assessment, each student has a different version of the test based on individual needs and answers. To learn more about Smarter Balanced, log on to the VT Smarter Balanced Assessment Portal where you will find additional information, tools, and practice opportunities for students and families. Here is the link: <http://vt.portal.airast.org>

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### **Narnia**



Our students were selected to participate in a production of **Narnia** through the pro bono work of Very Merry Theatre. An early evening performance will take place on May 19th - times and location will be determined in the near future (save-the-date ). Permission slips were sent home. Please contact Suzanne Weishaar or Cece Watkins with any questions.

Narnia is an adventure story based in England where four children enter a magical wardrobe and find themselves in a snowy world where an evil queen rules. With the assistance of many friends they meet along the way they search for the great lion, Aslan, and hope to help him bring peace to Narnia.

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4/5 Pizza Fundraiser



Pizzas made by Leonardo's

Contact Tiffany Tillman tillmanleddy@gmail.com with any questions

RETURN FORMS TO % TEAM by 2:30pm on TUESDAY, April 12th!

Order your pizza today and spread the word. Checks are made payable to: Sustainability Academy Payment due with your order.

Pick up pizzas at school on **Friday, April 15th 4:30-5:30 pm**
(Feel free to pick up flyers outside the office at the table.)

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## PTO Corner



**PTO Meeting:** Monday, April 4th - 5:45 p.m free pizza dinner, 6:00-7:30 p.m meeting. Childcare provided. We will be discussing next year's PTO budget, so please consider coming and sharing your opinions on how to best support next year's teachers and students with the money we are raising this year.

**Harvest Run:** We are looking for a few parent volunteers to help organize next year's Harvest Run. No previous PTO experience is necessary, just a willingness to contribute. Please contact [susanclinelucey@gmail.com](mailto:susanclinelucey@gmail.com) if you would like to get involved.



**LIST SERVE:** Want to be added to the email list serve for school and community news? Email [susanclinelucey@gmail.com](mailto:susanclinelucey@gmail.com).

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Sustainability Academy Book Fair at Phoenix Books

Sunday, April 3rd thru Saturday, April 9th



Love reading? Love watching your children read? Know others who read? Help SA raise money for student learning! Just go to Phoenix Books during the week-long Book Fair, make your purchases (all books count), and be sure to let them know at the checkout you want to support SA. Phoenix Books will donate 20% to our school. Send your family, friends and neighbors, too. Their purchases can benefit SA as well!

Can't make it to the store in person? Have family far away who want to help? Order online at phoenixbooks.biz and enter "For SA" in the Comment field when you check out.

Book Fair: When and Where?

One Week: Sunday, April 3rd thru Saturday, April 9th
At Phoenix Books: 191 Bank Street, Burlington, [802-448-3350](tel:802-448-3350)
(Shop at the Essex Store, too - it counts!)

Hours: **Mon-Thur 10am-7pm, Fri & Sat 10am-8pm, Sun 11am-5pm**

Thank you for supporting student learning at SA! And please help spread the word!

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### **Harlem Globetrotters**

The world famous **Harlem Globetrotters** will be playing in **Burlington, VT at the Patrick Gymnasium at UVM on Thursday, April 7, 2016 @ 7pm**. Employees, students, and everyone with **Burlington School District** (family/friends) can take advantage of **an exclusive discount** and **save up to \$6.50** off each ticket! To take advantage of this discount or for any questions, please contact **Derek Gensburg** at [602-707-7037](tel:602-707-7037) or [Gensburg@harlemglobetrotters.com](mailto:Gensburg@harlemglobetrotters.com). An order form will be available in your school office. Tickets are limited based on availability, so please order early while tickets are available.”

