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A Message from Superintendent Collins

Greetings!

We now have one late start and one snow day under our belt.

It is also budget season! The school board has been receiving information on what to approve for next year. In December, they will receive recommendations for changes by the administration as they consider the best budget to bring forward in March for a vote. Board meetings are listed on the website www.rnesu.org. The boards will discuss budgets at their December 5th and 19th meetings and make a decision by the 16th of January. Please participate by attending or watching for articles as the budget each year sets the direction of the district. The board will be seeking input from the community on this topic, as well.

I hope everyone has a safe and wonderful winter break.

Jeanne Collins

Superintendent of Rutland Northeast Supervisory Union

The Principal's Corner

Student conferences have taken place (except for some more to be held at Whiting), as we connected with families at each of our three campuses. We always look forward to meeting with you on behalf of your children. Please contact us at any time with your questions, concerns, suggestions, or ideas.

We are pleased to announce that students raised \$85.55 for U.N.I.C.E.F. recently.

Our student instrumentalists have been working hard with Mrs. Ann Reed, their Music teacher, for their upcoming program at S.C.S. Please refer to the calendar for the time and date of this performance.

Thanksgiving Holiday Dinners

Our annual Thanksgiving community dinners took place at L.C.S. and S.C.S. recently. We were pleased to welcome so many family and community members. Many thanks to those who brought donations to our schools' food pantries. Please contact one of our school buildings if you wish to access food for your family.

P.T.O. Sponsors Turkey Bingo

The Otter Creek Academy P.T.O. unites behind the common purpose of supporting all three of our schools while helping them maintain their own identities, annual events, and things that make them special.

The recent Turkey Bingo, sponsored by the P.T.O. , raised funds for upcoming student activities at each of our three campuses. Many thanks to the P.T.O. for

hosting this annual event. The success of this fundraiser—as well as the Gifts ‘N Things and wreath sales—provide valuable assistance to our schools.

O.C.A. Calendar:

Wednesday, December 5th (10:00-11:30 a.m.): Kindergarten Trip to Wilcox Tree Farm
Friday, December 7th: Grade 6 Sleep-Over (6:00 p.m. – 7:00 a.m. Saturday)
Tuesday, December 11th: Student Conferences at W.E.S. (1:00-3:10 p.m.) (Fortier)
Thursday, December 13th: Student Conferences at W.E.S. (1:00-3:10 p.m.) (Fortier)
Friday, December 14th: Holiday Sale (L.C.S.)
Thursday, December 20th (1:30 p.m.): Winter Instrumental Music Program (S.C.S.)
Friday, December 21st – Tuesday, January 1st: Holiday Recess
Monday, January 21st: Martin Luther King Day -- No School
Friday, January 25th: Interim Progress Reports Sent Home
Monday, February 18th – Friday, February 22nd: Winter Recess
Friday, March 1st: Second Trimester Ends
Wednesday, March 6th: Student Conferences at L.C.S. (3:00-7:00 p.m.)
Tuesday, March 12th: Student Conferences at L.C.S. (3:00-7:00 p.m.)
Friday, March 15th: Inservice Session for Teachers -- No School
Monday, April 15 – Friday, April 19th: Spring Recess
Monday, May 27th: Memorial Day -- No School
Tuesday, June 18th: Last Scheduled Student Day of the 2018-19 School Year