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Our mission is to provide an innovative, rigorous, and supportive educational community that inspires a passion for learning and cultivates empathy and responsibility.

**YOUTH CITIZEN SUMMIT**

Students in fifth and sixth grade will participate in the first annual Youth Citizen Summit on Friday, February 15th. This summit, to be held at Middlebury College, is an opportunity for participants to explore the IB theme of How We Organize Ourselves, by examining topics around the idea that governments can promote or deny human rights. Upper elementary participants will select from a variety of workshops presented by experts in the field of human rights. The day will be kicked off by a keynote speaker. This experience will culminate an inquiry unit of study, and was developed in collaboration with Middlebury College and their Language in Motion program.

A globally minded citizen is caring, reflective, inquisitive, principled, open-minded, balanced, knowledgeable, courageous, a communicator, and a thinker.

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**VALENTINE'S DAY ICE CREAM PARTY**

We will be having a whole school ice cream celebration on Thursday, February 14th. Classrooms are arranging their own card exchanges.

Please do not send any additional treats. Thank you.

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**CORNWALL, RIPTON, SALISBURY AND WEYBRIDGE BAND**

On Thursday, February 7th, our band students will join band students from three other elementary schools to put on a concert for their family and friends. They have each learned the musical pieces they will play at their respective schools under the guidance of their band teacher, Sarah Metcalf and have recently come together for two rehearsals to bring their sounds together.

It is a wonderful experience to see this large band play in unison to bring strength and power to the music they perform.

This concert is open to the public and is a wonderful way to get younger students interested in playing a band instrument.

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**KEY DATES**

- **G1-2 Family Potluck and Craft Night**
  - Wednesday, Feb. 6th, 5:30 PM
  - Band Concert
  - This Thursday, Feb. 7
  - 7:00 PM (arrive by 6:30)

- **G5-6 Potluck and Night Sled**
  - Friday, Feb. 8th
  - 6 PM

- Winter Break
  - February 18-22

- Pizza Orders Due on Feb. 28
FIRST AND SECOND GRADERS SHARE THEIR GOALS

Have you and your child had a chance to play with the Come Alive Winter Passport yet? Make sure you look inside to see all the possibilities on how to earn points while enjoying the outdoors. Passports are due back to the school in March!

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