



# OSPREY NEWS

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Dear MBS Families,

We are looking forward to seeing you at our virtual conferences on March 2nd! Here are a few updates for the upcoming week:

Due to the two snow days in February and several students needing to quarantine, we needed a few extra days to complete end-of-trimester assessments. This means our **report cards will now go home with students on Monday, March 8th.**

Now that March is about to begin, we have started planning for the 2021-22 school year. One of our most important tasks in planning for the upcoming year is the process of placement and transition. Our goal is always to create well-balanced classes where every child can be successful. We also like to include family input as part of the process. Below are links to family input forms for students entering grades 4-6 in the upcoming school year. **Please complete the google form below prior to March 19th, 2021.** Both your child's current teacher and your child's teacher next year will review the input form you submit. We do not accept specific teacher requests.

[Third to Fourth Grade Family Input Form](#)

[Fourth to Fifth Grade Family Input Form](#)

[Fifth to Sixth Grade Family Input Form](#)

If you prefer to complete a hard copy form, please contact Katie Miller at [Katie.Miller@colchestersd.org](mailto:Katie.Miller@colchestersd.org).

If you have a child who will be entering third grade next year at Malletts Bay, we can't wait to meet them! **An informational letter welcoming incoming third grade families along with a family input form will be sent out later this week via school messenger.**

Respectfully,

*Ms. Burke*

## Upcoming Dates

**March 1:** School Recess

**March 2:** Family Conferences

**March 3:** Remote Learning Day

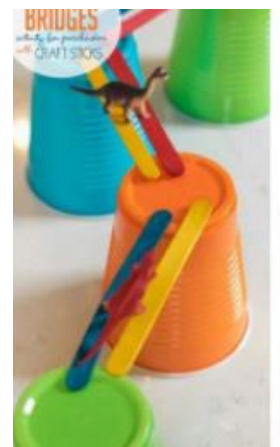
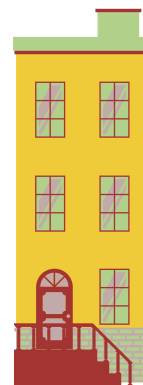
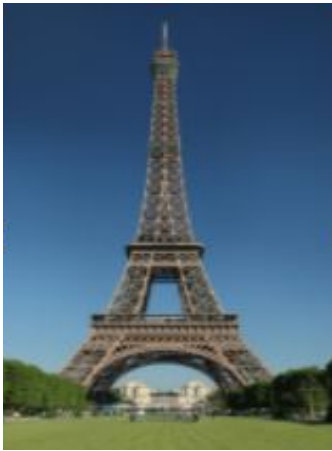
**March 8:** Report Cards to go Home

**March 11:** March PTA Meeting @ 6:00 PM

# PRESCHOOL

Preschool wrapped up their dynamic unit on balls and shapes this week. The children experimented with gravity, force, momentum, and energy and 3D shapes. They made and tested predictions explaining their thought processes along the way.

March will be our buildings and constructions unit. The children will explore buildings in their community and around the world, making connections on how they are the same and different. They will have the opportunity to build with different materials such as cardboard, different sized tubes, boxes, popsicle sticks, clothes pins, and more. They will practice balancing objects and measure objects using non-standard measuring tools (blocks, unifix cubes, paperclips) to see which is the tallest or widest. The children will be challenged to imitate pre-made structures, create blueprints for structures to be created, and draw what they have built.



# PTA

MBS Students are invited to become Bandits for the Big Change Roundup fundraiser for the UVM Children's Hospital! Every cent raised goes directly to our local hospital to help kids in our community get excellent care close to home. Last year our school collected over \$380. Let's top that!

Learn how your donations help by watching [this video](#) tour led by patients including Sawyer, an MBS student in Mr. Cheney's fully remote 4th grade class. Due to health and safety considerations, students should not bring donations to school. Instead, please use [this website](#) to make a donation or take your collected change to any bank and convert it to a check payable to the UVM Children's Hospital.



Please note in the memo field that it's for "Team Malletts Bay School" and mail it to:  
 The UVM Children's Hospital ATTN:  
 Big Change Roundup  
 111 Colchester Avenue  
 Given Courtyard 3  
 North Burlington, VT 05401

Capture the memories with your 2020-2021 Malletts Bay School Yearbook. [Order Online here!](#) The yearbooks are \$15.00 and this year you can add some personalization for an extra fee if you are interested.

## PARKS AND RECREATION UPDATES

**Phone:**  
**802-264-5640**



**781 Blakely Road**  
**Colchester, VT 05446**



Don't miss out on registration for April Vacation camps. You can register online or in office, open weekdays 7:30am-12pm. Our 2021 Virtual Summer Brochure is available [here](#), and resident registration is OPEN! We have many different options including day camps, travel camps, and specialty camps. Be sure to check out our ice rink at Airport Park this winter!

# CONFERENCES

CONFERENCES ARE THIS TUESDAY, MARCH 2ND. SEE BELOW TO SCHEDULE A CONFERENCE.

CONFERENCES SIGN UPS ARE NOW CLOSED. PLEASE CONTACT KATIE MILLER IN THE MBS OFFICE IF YOU WISH TO SCHEDULE A CONFERENCE.

EMAIL: [KATIE.MILLER@COLCHESTERSD.ORG](mailto:KATIE.MILLER@COLCHESTERSD.ORG)

PHONE: (802) 264-5907

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SCHEDULE A CONFERENCE WITH A UNIFIED ARTS TEACHER, PLEASE EMAIL THEM DIRECTLY BEFORE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

**Art** - Katie Miller; [katie.miller@colchestersd.org](mailto:katie.miller@colchestersd.org)

\*Hannah Terracino is currently on family leave\*

**Guidance** - Sim Peltier; [simrat.peltier@colchestersd.org](mailto:simrat.peltier@colchestersd.org)

**Library** - Carole Oglesby; [carole.oglesby@colchestersd.org](mailto:carole.oglesby@colchestersd.org)

**Music** - Tyler Mast; [tyler.mast@colchestersd.org](mailto:tyler.mast@colchestersd.org)

**Physical Education** - Ryan Kluk;

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**Physical Education** - Elizabeth Eastman;

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