



# HOME Warren Bulletin SCHOOL

*Parents & Teachers -- working together for children.*

June 1, 2009

## Bonjour Veronique!

We're pleased to report that the Board has hired **Veronica Bernicke** (pronounced *burn-a-key*) to be our French teacher next year. She has a Masters in Education degree from the University of Michigan, and a BA from the University of Pennsylvania. She grew up in Lausanne, a French-speaking city in Switzerland, and has extensive experience teaching French to children in non-school settings. She is up-to-date on current instructional strategies, and is a co-author of *Arc-en-ciel*, a French workbook for Elementary students. She lives in Shelburne with her husband and three sons, and will make the drive to Warren two days a week next year.

Thanks to our interviewing committee – Sasha Woolson, Michael Ketchel, Whitney Jones, Elizabeth Tarno, Deirdre Fennelly, and Dan Eckstein – for making the final selection.

## Upper Unit Open House & Banquet

Upper Unit parents are invited to visit Heidi and Elizabeth's classrooms with their children on Wednesday June 10<sup>th</sup> to view the work on display. Exhibits are open between 7:30 and 8:00 am, 11:10-12:10, and 3:00-7:00 pm, when the spring concert starts, and at other times if necessary.

The biennial Greek Banquet will take place Friday the 12<sup>th</sup> – watch for more information coming home soon.

## Music Notes *Carolyn Adams writes,*

Second semester **music lesson bills** have gone out. We hope you'll look for them in the backpacks and settle your lesson accounts ASAP.

The combined Warren-Fayston **band** will perform on Monday, June 15 at 6:30 at the Fayston Elementary School. The performance will last approximately half an hour.

## WASP Fishing Club

This week, we'll go fishing at Charlotte and Steve Robinson's pond. Trips are scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, but if it's raining on Wednesday, everyone will go on Thursday. Permission slips are required – kids can get them from Blaire or Laurie.

## Summer Camping Options *Fran writes,*

Summer is the time to be outdoors and spend time with family and friends. There are many different avenues to check out. Going to camp can be just during the day – like our school's summer program, going for just an overnight or going for a week or two.



*Dakota and Nicki listen to an Algonquin Indian talk about the lives of Native Americans. They were at the Plimoth Plantation last Tuesday, the first stop on the sixth grade trip to the Cape. His headdress includes porcupine quills.*

Camp with the family in a camper/tent and visit campgrounds in Vermont or other states. Most state parks have naturalists, hiking trails and activities for the whole family.

There are camps for adventure (wilderness, environmental), sports (all kinds), art (drama, dance, circus, etc.), academic (aviation, archaeology, science, math, biology, etc.), technology (computers, digital photography, game design), special needs (asthma, cancer, diabetes, learning disabilities, epilepsy, to name a few), health and fitness, scouting and religious affiliation. There are camps for girls, boys and co-ed. For more information on camps available in Vermont go to [www.vermontcamps.org](http://www.vermontcamps.org)

Spend time this summer doing something special with your child/ren in the outdoors, (a picnic, putting up a tent in the backyard, go swimming at a lake, take time for a hike somewhere you have never been). Sometimes the simplest things mean more to a child and they remember them into their adulthood. Make sure you take sunscreen and insect repellent. Sun burn and insect bites can spoil an otherwise great day. Make sure if you go hiking to take water with you and maybe a granola bar as a snack.

In Lake Fairlee, Vermont there is a week long camp August 17 -22 called CAMP! for ages 8 -12. It provides a one-week residential summer camp for rural Vermont children with limited opportunities due to rural isolation, a lack of financial resources and/or disrupt-

tion of life and education due to frequent moves. The only cost to families is the \$25.00 registration fee, with free transportation to and from the camp. If your child could benefit from this wonderful camp, please visit their website to download an application ([www.campexclamationpoint.org](http://www.campexclamationpoint.org)) or contact Lisanne Hegman [lisanne@sover.net](mailto:lisanne@sover.net) or 802 434-4759

*Q. What do you say to someone leaving for a "staycation"?*  
*(See other side for answer)*

### Trails Day

Come celebrate National Trails Day (June 6th)! The Warren Conservation Commission will be hosting the second work weekend constructing the Eaton Forest Interpretive Trail. Saturday, June 6 and Sunday June 7 - 8:30 -11:30 and 12:00 to 3:00 each day - pick one shift that works for you. Dress for the weather, wear sturdy footwear, bring work gloves and a water bottle, work along side great people, and learn valuable trail building skills from Josh Ryan, famed New England trail builder. Meet at the NE corner of Brooks Recreation Field adjacent the Warren School. Please contact Margo Wade ([roxmtn@madriver.com](mailto:roxmtn@madriver.com) or 496.2758) if you have questions. Thank you for your support and hope to see you out on the trail!

### New Habitat for Humanity Opportunity

The Camel's Hump Chapter of Central Vermont Habitat for Humanity will soon begin building a house in Duxbury. If you are looking for a simple, affordable, and well-built home and meet the qualifications listed in our brochure, please call 244-6606 for an application. Laurie has brochures.

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*A. Non voyage!*

### Important Dates for your calendars:

May 26-29 6<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Cape Cod  
 5/29 Fri Hike/Bike to School morning  
 5/30 Sat Playground work day

6/3 Weds Art Show, East Warren Market, 5-7 pm  
 6/10 Weds Upper Unit Open House  
 Spring Concert  
 6/11 Thurs Step-up Day - everyone spends the morning in the next grade.  
 6/12 Fri Upper Unit Greek Banquet Dance, 7-9 pm (Gr. 5-6)  
 6/15 Mon Warren-Fayston Band Concert, 6:30 pm at Fayston Elementary.  
 6/17 Weds 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation 6:30 pm  
 6/18 Thurs Expected last day of school



*Matt, Quentin and Martha pull up the line on an oceanography experiment, part of the Oceanquest voyage out of Woods Hole. The weather on the trip was cool, but not too wet - all events went according to plan!*

## REPEAT ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Time to Sign up for Fall 2009 Soccer**

Registration is now open for the Mad River Valley Soccer Association's fall recreational program. It's open to children of all ability levels in grades K-6. We encourage parents to register players online at our website: [www.madriversoccer.org](http://www.madriversoccer.org) before the June 15 deadline. For more information or questions about the fall program call Tracey Clements, 496-5292 or email [tmclements@gmavt.net](mailto:tmclements@gmavt.net).

### **Physical Education Notes** *Leigh Clark writes.*

The Grade 1-2 Swim Program was a great success. The students worked very hard -- everyone made great progress with their swimming skills. I want to thank the parents who volunteered to help us, and the Town of Warren for including this program in the recreation budget. Also the Sugarbush Health and Racquet Club for letting us use their pool on Fridays and to the Bridges for letting us use their lifejackets to introduce water safety skills.

### **What's bugging you?** *Fran Blair writes,*

Although they can be painful and frightening, most *insect stings* (by bees, wasps, hornets, or yellow jackets) cause only minor discomfort. However some people experience an allergic reaction and need immediate attention.

Treatment: (1) Calm the person. (2) Remove the stinger by gently scrapping across the site with a blunt-edged object. (3) Wash the area well with soap and water. (4) Apply a cold pack to help reduce swelling and pain. (5) To help reduce itching - apply a paste of baking soda or meat tenderizer, use calamine lotion. (6) An oral antihistamine (Benadryl, for example) may be used to relieve itching and swelling.

If SERIOUS SYMPTOMS occur, call 911.

### **Harwood Basketball Camps**

Summer 2009 offerings at Harwood Union:

*Gr 3-4 Boys & Girls:* July 6 -10 8:00-11:00 am  
*Gr 5-8 Girls:* July 6 -10, 11:00-2:00 pm  
*Gr 5-6 Boys:* July 13 - 17 8:00-11:00 am  
*Gr 7-8 Boys:* July 13 - 17 11:00-2:00 pm

Campers should attend the grade level they will be entering in August 09'\*

Registration & Fees: This year's fee is \$100.00 per camper. To reserve your spot, you can pick up a registration form at the Warren School office. The early registration period ends June 1st, 2009. The fee after June 1st is \$125.00. Sorry, no refunds are available.

Questions or Concerns: Contact Tom Young @ [tyoung@gmavt.net](mailto:tyoung@gmavt.net) or 244-5893(h) or 496-3643(w)

### **British Soccer Camp - July 20-24**

Sign-up for camp by June 5 and receive a free soccer jersey. A great camp for kids ages 4-14 wishing to im-

prove their soccer skills and have some fun, the ½ day camp runs Monday through Friday. Each child will be coached by a member of Challenger's British coaching staff flown to the USA exclusively to coach camps throughout New England. For more information contact Nancy Baron, 496-2763, [Nancy@TheBaronFamily.com](mailto:Nancy@TheBaronFamily.com), or visit [www.challengersports.com](http://www.challengersports.com)