

# JFK Weekly Newsletter

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## Winter Is Here! Let's Get Ready for Outdoor Fun!

As we settle into the colder months, we're excited to keep our students active, healthy, and enjoying the fresh air. Outdoor play is an important part of every child's day—it helps with focus, mood, social skills, problem-solving, and overall well-being. Even in the winter, a little time outside goes a long way!

To make sure everyone can join in the fun, please send your child to school with weather-appropriate winter clothing each day. Hats, mittens, boots, warm coats, and snow pants help students stay comfortable as they play and explore. Our students go outside for recess as long as the temperature (with wind chill) is 10°F or above, so layers are key!

If your family could use some support with winter gear, we're here to help. Join us at the WSD Peace Jam's upcoming Winter Clothing Event:

Winter Clothing Event

📅 Saturday, December 6th

📍 32 Malletts Bay Ave, Winooski, VT 05404

This is a wonderful opportunity to pick up warm items to help your child stay cozy all season long.

Have gently-used winter clothing your children have outgrown? We would *happily* accept donations! Extra coats, boots, hats, mittens, and snow pants allow us to keep a supply of backup gear at school for students who need it. Your contributions help make outdoor play possible for *all* of our kids.

Let's bundle up and enjoy the magic of winter together!



AT THE O'BRIEN CENTER  
32 Malletts Bay Ave, Winooski, VT 05404

### Support for Families: Weekly NEC Store & Hot Meals

Thank you to everyone who has joined us these past few weeks for the NEC Store openings and community meals. We continue to be grateful for the steady turnout and the way our community shows up for one another. We know that some weeks can be harder than others, and we remain committed to supporting all Winooski families.



We will continue to offer weekly food pick-up and hot meals every Wednesday from 3:00–5:00 PM, with a warm meal served at 4:00 PM, through December 17th.

Upcoming Wednesday Meal Dates

- December 10
- December 17

Families are welcome to stop by during these times to pick up groceries, choose from non-perishable items, and enjoy a hot meal. No sign-up is required.

If you have any questions or need additional support, please reach out. As always, we are here to support one another and strengthen our community.

### JFK Calendar

December 24, 2025 - January 2, 2026

No School Prek-12, Mid Winter Break

January 15, 2025

8:30 am All School Morning Meeting

January 19, 2026

No School PK-12 - MLK Day



## **JFK Elementary**

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