

CAVENDISH TOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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March Report for the Board

We have two new students starting on Monday, March 16th

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Our school was slated to be host to a training for the state in April on a District PD day. This may change, of course, but it will be a great opportunity to learn first-hand about emergency preparedness.

Phase III of the Vermont's School Safety Planning, Training and Exercise Initiative. This phase entails a 3-hour training session that will incorporate an all hazards approach to school emergency preparedness, concentrating on the options based response to a violent intruder (Run, Hide, Fight). Additionally, there will be an overview of the Vermont School Safety Center's recommended school safety best practices including:

- School Crisis Planning Teams
 - Behavioral Threat Assessment Teams
 - EOP development
 - Mass notifications systems
 - Access control
 - Crime Prevention through Environmental Design
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We had two incidents at the library. A library patron was acting in a way that resulted in that patron being excluded from the library for 30 days by Kata Welch, the librarian. Upon hearing of the history of this patron's behavior (he had expressed his intention to shoot speeders in the school zone, he was walking across the street with a machete on his person one morning before school), Meg Powden decided that we should issue a no trespass order to this person.

That made the library order null and void and prohibits this patron from stepping onto school property. The Vermont State Police executed this action on our behalf. Thanks to Kevin Hughes for all his help and support.

Then, on March 6, Michelle Golden observed the same man walking onto the property and entering the library. She immediately reported to the office and we went into lockdown and called the police. He was overheard yelling at the librarian. Jon Beamon ran down to give assistance to the librarian. Eventually he left and went to the local church where the troopers encountered him and took him into custody. Some of my staff saw him on Sunday in Springfield and I myself saw him Monday, March 9th on 103 en route to the central office.

We continue to examine ways to make the school as safe as reasonably possible while also keeping the library open to those who are using it appropriately.

Teachers, paras and other staff had a 2 hour workshop with the Trauma Informed teaching cohort or TISP on February 25th. They learned about trauma informed teaching, creating a trauma sensitive classroom, and things to keep in mind when interacting with students who have experienced trauma.

Our student council continues to help run morning meetings and has planned a bake sale for St. Jude's hospital March 17, 18, 19.

The Friends of Cavendish Town held an event at the local brewery and raised about 400 dollars.