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# TURTLE TRACKS

A WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER FOR THE VERMONT COMMONS SCHOOL COMMUNITY

**UPCOMING  
EVENTS**

**February 8th**  
P/T Conferences -  
11:45 Dismissal for Students

**February 11th**  
ACTs

**February 16th**  
First Evening of Readings

**February 17th**  
Progress Reports  
sent home

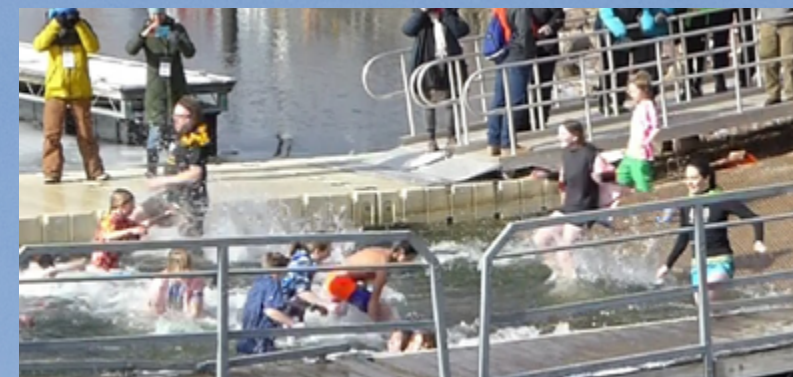
## Winter Encounter Week

*All photos by Vermont Commons faculty & students*





# Penguin Plunge 2017



## First Evening of Readings

*Thursday, February 16th*

Our first Evening of Readings, featuring students whose last names start from A-L, will take place next **Thursday, February 16th**. We hope to see you there!

Students with last names M-Z will read next month, on Tuesday, March 21st.

## Kitchen Announcements

Got any spare or unwanted spoons and/or forks lying around you're looking to get rid of? Our school kitchen could use a refill of such silverware, and we would be more than happy to take it off your hands!

Also - missing tupperware? We might have it! Stop by our kitchen - there is a labeled cabinet overflowing with spares. Come by and see if you can find what was misplaced.

## Peer Tutoring

*by Jenna Bisset*

If you have a student who is struggling in a content area or wants to improve a specific academic skill, then peer tutoring might be a great option. This is a newer program that features students in National Honor Society, as well as some 10th or 11th graders who are strong academic students and have an affinity for helping younger students succeed. Additionally, we have some peer tutoring pairs who are at the same grade level. Students on both sides of this program have been enjoying it thus far and we hope it continues to flourish. Please contact [Jenna Bisset](#) if you would like to set this up for you or your child.

## Spectrum Sleep-Out, March 24th

*by Amira Silverman*

As we return from braving the E-Week cold, it's important to remember that for some kids our age, braving the cold isn't an optional, educational week of fun. Spectrum Youth Services serves the homeless youth in our community. They help with housing, meals, counseling, and more.

Led by the national honor society, students at VCS will spend a night sleeping outside. This will take place on **March 24th** and is part of a state-wide campaign to raise awareness and funds for youth, not that unlike ourselves. Please consider a small donation to our page, or encouraging your child to join us!

<http://give.spectrumvt.org/goto/flyingturtles>

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