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Dear Staff & Community,

Good morning. I hope this e-mail finds you well and enjoying the week.

***Tip of the Week:**

Invite the light in! Reduce energy costs by taking advantage of daylight. If you have windows, open up those shades! An added bonus: daylighting is also linked to higher productivity in the work place and classroom!

***Energy Projects in Schools:**

Thank you for your continued efforts to reduce energy use across the district. We utilize software and input data to record & analyze energy use for each of our schools and school administrative buildings. This helps us to categorize and implement building projects, which we carry out in partnership with the City. To stay posted on our school's projects, please visit our sustainability page:
http://www3.cpsd.us/sustainability/cps_energy_projects.

***Public Presentation of Sustainability Report:**

On Thursday, Nov. 15th of this week, I'll be presenting the annual schools' sustainability report for the City Council Environmental Committee at 5pm @ City Hall. This meeting is open to the public. The report is also online:
http://www3.cpsd.us/media/network/10516/media/CPS%20Redesign/documents/Sustainability/FY12_Sustainability_Year_in_Review.pdf?rev=1

***Want to Volunteer?**

Green Streets is the organization that hosts Friday's "Walk/Ride Days," and welcomes the involvement of volunteers, interns and Board

members. If you are interested in getting involved, please visit:
<http://gogreenstreets.org/volunteer>.

***Compost @ Your School!**

Meryl Brott, Recycling Manager at DPW, and Kristen are working with schools to establish composting programs. If your school is interested in composting, e-mail Meryl Brott at mbrott@cambridgema.gov.

***Farmer's Markets:**

Farmers markets are approaching their last weeks in Cambridge for the fall season! Central Square: Bishop Allen Dr. at Norfolk St is still running every Monday until 11/19 from 12pm-6pm. Harvard Square: 1 Bennett St. farmers market will continue until 11/18 every Friday from 12pm-6pm and every Sunday from 10 am-3pm.

<http://www.cambridgema.gov/CDD/parks/farmersmarkets.aspx>

Have a terrific week. Thanks for your efforts,

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