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**Dear Staff & Community,**

Good morning! I hope you had a nice weekend. Thank you again for supporting the Cambridge Green Schools Initiative (CGSI).

**\*Tip of the Week**

Take our CPS Sustainability Pledge! The pledge is a new guide to help you make more environmentally-responsible choices at school, office, and home.

<http://www3.cpsd.us/pledge>.

**\*Curriculum Resources**

Check out our Office for Sustainability “Curriculum Resources” – a webpage page for teachers & students: [http://www3.cpsd.us/sustainability/curriculum\\_resources](http://www3.cpsd.us/sustainability/curriculum_resources).

**\*CPSD Recycling Reports**

Check out the stats on how much each school recycled and composted through February! Amigos is next in line to be a composting school!

<http://www.cambridgema.gov/theworks/ourservices/recyclingandtrash/aboutrecycling/Schools/recyclinginschools/recyclingreports.aspx>

**\*Cambridge Science Festival!**

Save the date! April School Vacation Week 12-21, 2013. Come to a robot zoo, the science of food, bottle rocket launching, star gazing, and more!  
[www.CambridgeScienceFestival.org](http://www.CambridgeScienceFestival.org).

**\*Fresh Pond Volunteers**

Learn more about the Fresh Pond “Volunteer Steward Program,” and join the effort:  
[http://www2.cambridgema.gov/CWD/FPRvolunteer\\_steward.cfm](http://www2.cambridgema.gov/CWD/FPRvolunteer_steward.cfm)

**\*More Fresh Food!**

In addition to Saturday’s “Winter Farmer’s Market” (<http://www.cambridgewinterfarmersmarket.com/>) Cambridge now features the “C2W Market,” a mid-week pop up farmer’s market on Wednesdays! (<http://www.bostoncentral.com/events/farmer/p29492.php>) Located in the former Blockbuster building in Central Square, open through April 24<sup>th</sup> from 2:30-6pm.

**\*Racewire**

Check out this year’s 27th Annual Marathon Sports Cambridge CityRun 5 Miler and 3-Mile CityWalk. April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013 from 10:30am-12pm. Location: 680 Huron Ave, Cambridge MA 02138. Website: <http://racewire.com/register.php?id=2783>

**\*Friends of Alewife Reservation Walks**

Wildlife walks sponsored by [FAR](#) impart the history and background to the DCR’s Alewife Reservation, a rare urban wild in Cambridge.~ The walks are led by a

professional wildlife assessor, Dave Brown. Tours last 2 hours.~ To prepare for the tour, or to get a "Virtual Tour" [click here](#).

### **\*Green Streets Initiative**

The next official W/R Day is this Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>! However, you can use any day of the week to switch to eco-friendly transportation! Generally, the designated day is the last Friday of the month.~ Check the [Cambridge Green Streets Initiative website](#) for more info and incentives!

### **\*Green Cambridge**

Green Cambridge is a 501(c)(3) not for profit organization and a founding chapter of the Massachusetts Climate Action Network (MCAN). ~Green Cambridge works to create a more sustainable Cambridge, and to protect the environment for the health and safety of all. ~Green Cambridge meets monthly at the Eastern Bank community room in Harvard Square, usually on the first Thursday of every month at 6:30pm. ~All are welcome and invited to attend! ~For more information and a listing of community events, please visit:~<http://www.greencambridge.org/>.

### **\*Spring Dates for Recycling Tours!**

Cambridge residents and City employees are invited to tour the [Casella recycling facility](#) in Charlestown on Tuesday, April 16 (morning) or Wednesday, June 19 (afternoon).~No children under 16.~Tours last about 2 hours and involve walking on narrow catwalks and stairs, close to heavy equipment.~ Please note that you must be walk at a steady pace with a group.~We meet at DPW and carpool.~Email [recycle@cambridgema.gov](mailto:recycle@cambridgema.gov) to sign up and we'll send you more info. Let us know if can drive and how many people you can take. \*We will also offer a [virtual recycling tour](#) on Monday, April 22 (evening) at Public Works, 147 Hampshire St.

**Thank you.**

Best,

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