So far this year, afterschool students have built rubber band-powered motorcycles, learned how to cipher, explored habitats, made hand-sewn valentines, and tried Middle Eastern snacks, peppers, unusual fruits and olives. They continue to enjoy learning and playing a variety of board games. They logged 232.32 miles in January and February and are well on their way to making their goal of “walking” to the Library of Congress!

Gilsum’s Before & Afterschool Program is open to children in Kindergarten through 6th grade. For more information or to register please contact the program at gilsumrecbasp@gmail.com or call Mary Monroe 439-0797 or Ralph Jernberg 209-0700.

Looking for ways to help?

Keep an eye out for our upcoming Scrap It scrap metal fundraiser – a great way to do some spring cleaning and support the program!

This spring we will also be working on re-vamping our raised bed gardens. We are looking for donations of un-treated lumber, straw bales, compost/composted manure and mulch. If you are able to help email Lenoir at lenoir.nesaccess@gmail.com or call 439-7108.

Gilsum’s Adult Bingo Nights celebrates 5 years on April 18th!

In that time, we’ve given away thousands of dollars in prizes and gift cards. We’ve had new adults to wiser folks, men and women, and plenty of first-time players that have become regulars. It’s a fun & relaxed night out that’s right down the road for any Gilsum resident! The Gilsum church offers a great bingo night snack bar where you can grab an inexpensive bite-to-eat before you start playing. For all Gilsum residents 18 & over and a guest. Everything provided, including help as needed! FREE!

Snack bar 5:45 pm *** Bingo 6:00pm *** @ the Gilsum Church