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VAN VOORHIS SCHOOL STUDENT/PARENT NOTES

5 SEPTEMBER 2008

(502) 624-5854/8519

TOTAL ENROLLMENT 397

Calendar



1-30 Sep	Scholastic Book Month
5 Sep	SIP Committee Meeting, 8:00am Bus Evacuation Drill, 8:30am (all students go to Cafeteria) 3 rd Grade Turn In Language Arts Test PTO Fall Fundraiser Materials Go Home
8-19 Sep	PTO Fall Fundraiser CSC Chairs Meeting, 8:00am, Room 12, Crittenberger, L. Neal
9 Sep	SILT Chair Meeting, 8:00am
10 Sep	Principal Meeting, 10:00am Students Dismiss at 2:00pm Student Service Training, 2:15pm, Crittenberger District Connections, 2:00pm
11 Sep	Popcorn SIT Chair & Backup Meet, 12:00pm, Central Media Center PTO Board Meeting, 2:00pm
12 Sep	All students go to the Cafeteria for Fruit and Vegetable Kickoff/Celebration) SIP Committee Meeting, 8:00am
15 Sep	AT Meeting, 8:00am
16 Sep	SST Meeting, Grades 2-3, 8:00am
17 Sep	Team Leader Meeting, 8:00am Admin Council Meeting, 10:00am Students Dismiss at 2:00pm
18 Sep	2 nd Grade Give Language Arts Test SPED/LARS Literacy Session, 12:30-3:30 Popcorn School Board Meeting, Mudge, 1:30pm
19 Sep	End of Fall Fundraiser



SCHOOL ARRIVAL TIME: A number of students are arriving at school between 7:30am and 8:00am. There is no supervision for students before 8:00am. Please do not drop students off until between 8:00-8:30am.



DROP OFF SAFETY: POV parents dropping their students off at the front doors in the morning need to make sure that the child(ren) exit the car on the passenger side of the car which will put their child(ren) closest to the lobby doors.

PARKING LOT SAFETY: Parents, please park in marked spaces ONLY and do not leave your car running after you have exited it to picking up your child(ren). **NO CHILDREN ARE ALLOWED IN THE PARKING LOT WITHOUT ADULT SUPERVISION.**



PTO SPOTLIGHT: The next PTO Board Meeting will be Thursday, 11 September at 2:00pm in the VV Cafeteria. If you have an interest/concern, please feel free to attend this meeting.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: A special parent volunteer program is gearing up at Van Voorhis. It will train parents in skills to assist students who are learning to read. If interested, please call the school or stop by and complete the volunteer form.



ATTENDANCE UPDATE: If your child needs to be absent from school, please notify us by calling 624-5854-8519. If your student has a medical or dental appointment, a note from the doctor's office is helpful for record-keeping purposes.

KEEP RECORDS CURRENT: Please make sure you let the school office know if your phone number, address, or emergency contacts, etc. change.



NURSE'S NOTES: Health Office Guidelines: A child may return to school when she/he feels well enough to participate in school activities, or the parent/guardian feels the child is well and the conditions below have been met:

1. Common cold or influenza- when no fever for 24 hours.
2. Gastroenteritis- when nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea have been absent for 24 hours.
3. Head Lice- Readmitted after the nurse has checked the child's head and the child is nit free.
4. Impetigo- When medical treatment has begun and lesions are no longer weeping.
5. Conjunctivitis- When medical treatment has begun and there is no longer any discharge from the eyes.
6. Strep Throat- After a full 24 hours of antibiotic or with a note from the medical provider.

Damarys Velez, School Nurse



COUNSELOR'S CORNER: During the first month of school, each of our classes, kindergarten through third grade, visited in the counselor's office for an orientation. The students learned that my role is to be a helper and a friend for them at school, and the children heard some reasons to keep in mind why they might need an adult helper and friend at Van Voorhis. The children heard about the Van Voorhis Student of the Month Program. Students were encouraged to make it a personal goal to be noticed for doing the right thing at school and be chosen Student of the Month sometime this year. Each month school staff are asked to nominate a Student of the Month. Nominations are not for the highest test scores but rather, staff look for students with great attitude and effort at school, students who are cooperative, and students who are respectful of themselves and others. A celebration in the cafeteria during lunch near the end of each month is a way to show off our honored Students of the Month to the entire school. The monthly Birthday Club

celebration and the reason for it were explained to our students. The students were also reminded of the Golden Rule and the B.U.G. Program was explained. B.U.G. (Being Unusually Good) allows a staff member to recognize when they notice a student do something extra nice at school. BUGged students' good deeds will be shared with the school on the Morning Show. Sue Gilbert, Counselor