

#### A monthly publication of the Villa Park Elementary Home and School League

H&SL Meeting March 21, 2019 8:15 am

#### Principal's Message

March Bobcat News

#### Villa Park Elementary Takes Advantage of Saturday Enrichment Academy

Who says school on a Saturday can't be fun? Not VPE! Villa Park Elementary, along with other OUSD school sites have implemented a new Saturday Enrichment Academy. VPE has held three SEA's to date. During Saturday Enrichment Academy, students learn through enrichment activities focused around Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math. On February 25th, VPE had a circus theme. Student's built bridges in teams that had to be strong enough to hold animals, completed a Circus Nearpod with peer buddies, a guided art lesson, and even did a bit of circus yoga. What a fun way to learn in a safe and collaborative environment. We are looking forward to our next Saturday Enrichment Academy to be held on March 16th.

Principal Beggs







#### **Upcoming Events**

March 2019

3/12 End of Trimester

3/13 Career Day

3/15 Bobcat Spirit Day 5th Grade City Days

3/20 STEAM Day

3/21 H&SL Meeting 8:15 am
5th Grade MPR Presentation
ELAC Meeting 2:30 pm
2nd Grade Hero Presentations

3/22 Teacher Treats (1st Grade)

Bobcat Spirit Day

3/26 ELPAC Testing

3/27 Mis-Match Spirit Day Kinder Spring Parade

3/28 ELPAC Testing

5th Grade Field Trip-UCI Water Festival

3/29 Bobcat Spirit Day Trimester Awards

Please remember that all students are guaranteed a "free public education". There are no mandatory fees, however there are suggested donations to cover cost of activities.

#### **VPE H&SL President**

Dear Bobcat Families,

It's beginning to look and feel a lot like Spring! I hope you are all ready to put your best forward this month finishing up our  $2^{nd}$  trimester and prepping for our annual Carnival and Silent Auction. Spring Break is right around the corner, hold on tight, we can make it!

Rounding out February and into the first day of March, Kim Barks-Finamore and numerous classroom volunteers pulled off our rock painting adventure with EVERY student in the school! Mrs. Beggs read "Only One You" by Linda Kranz to every class, thank you! Look for your student's rock to be placed around the foot of the big tree on campus near the new sensory walk going in on the Dad's Club work day on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is welcome to come lend a hand that day, there are many things to do.

Again, if you have an item to donate to our annual Silent Auction...please don't delay! Contact Darren Tolliver at SilentAuction@vpe-hsl.org to turn in your item or ask any questions. Thank you, Darren for your efforts!

Please keep an eye out for our SPRING DONATION DRIVE coming in April. This push will allow us to go above and beyond the programs our H&SL currently supports like Art Masters and K-4 music. The Silent Fundraiser will help fund our PE program and the first phase of fundraising for a large shade structure covering the main quad area. This will provide much needed shade for outdoor assemblies and 6th grade graduation. At this time, I'd also like to let you know the district is planning to spend \$75,000 to upgrade our bathrooms with new sinks, toilets and partitions where needed this summer.

One last thing... the very popular wine grab is coming back again this year during carnival. Please watch for information on collection dates. We will be collecting red and white bottles of wine with a minimum cost of \$20.

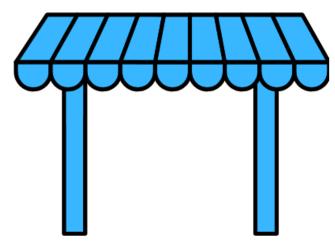
Don't forget to attend our monthly H&SL meeting this month, Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:15 in the MPR. Come by for a cup of coffee, a treat and lots of school information! Siblings and children are always welcome to tag along.

Warmly,

Michelle Gonzalez

President





Villa Park Elementary
Home & School League
Spring 2019
Donation Drive

We need your help! Contributions collected from this

Donation Drive will directly fund PE, music, Art Masters,
and A NEW SHADE STRUCTURE on the quad!

PLEDGESTAR GOES LIVE ON APRIL 15!

REGISTER AT PLEDGESTAR.COM/VILLAPARK

**DON'T MISS OUT!** 

Students who register and send 10 emails by April 19 will win a BONUS RECESS! Top-earning upper- and lower- grade classes will win a PIZZA PARTY!



CASH AND CHECK DONATIONS ARE WELCOME TOO!



Hello all! The intersection of Center Dr. and Lincoln St. just got a lot safer! Parents and students can now grab a bright red flag from any corner to hold up while crossing the street. This serves as a signal to cars that people are crossing and to slow down and pay attention. Please be sure to try them out. A huge thanks to Mrs. Sara Beggs (Principal), Michelle Gonzalez's H&SL leadership, Chris Kim's initiative, and the City of Villa Park for getting the approval!



\*\*\* Save the date \*\*\*

#### Workday: Sunday 3/24/19 at 8 am

On this day, we will have a huge workday. Roll up your sleeves and bring tools. Show us what you are made of! We plan on completing many projects at VPE. Each project will take a great amount of team work and labor to complete. When we are done, VPE will be a more relaxing and colorful place for all to enjoy. The project list will be distributed as we get closer to the date. Thank you to all that come out on that day to volunteer!

#### **VPE's Country Fair**

VPE's yearly carnival is almost here and set for Friday, April 12th, 2019 from 4:00pm-8:00pm. This year's theme is going to be COUNTRY FAIR! We are very excited to see everyone at the event! We will have lots of Games, Food, Silent Auction Items, and tons of fun for your friends and family!

Below, is the order form that will be coming home with your child soon. There will also be a printable version available on the VPE Website to pre-order your Meals and Game Tickets!



#### VPE's Country Fair Fun

Don't miss the annual VPE Carnival & Auction!

Friday, April 12th from 4:00-8:00

Come and join your friends and bring your family for a night of fun out on the VPE blacktop! Some of this year's exciting activities will include:



Rock Climbing Wall Basketball Jump Shot QB-Blitz Sand Art Creations Batter Up Baseball Potato Sack Races High Striker Skee Ball Cake Walk Crazy Hair Coloring Carnival Games Prize Redemption Booth Kettle Corn & Roasted Corn Game Truck Spin Art Station Face Painting TK Burger Meals 5th Grade Country Store Pucker Powder Station Soccer Shoot Out Wine Grab (for the adults!) Amazing Auction Baskets & Experiences And so much more .....

To avoid standing in line the night of the Carnival, you can pre-order all of your tickets! Simply fill out the form below and return it to school before March 27<sup>th</sup> and your tickets will be delivered to your Child's Classroom before the Carnival!

#### All Pre-sale Orders will receive 4 FREE GAME TICKETS!!

Student Name	Teacher	Room
Wristband (Includes unlimited carnival games and a round of Game	Truck, no Cake Walk)	\$25.00 Quantity
Game Tickets- 20 tickets for \$5.00	(1 bag	g=20 tickets) Quantity of Bags
(Most games are 2 tickets, big games and Cake Walk are 4 tickets,		
Hair Color, Sand Art, Pucker Powder & Photo Booth- 10 tickets, Ga	me Truck, Rock Wall, Bo	alloon Twists & Face Painting- 14 ticket
TK Meal with Cheeseburger, French Fries & Drink		\$9.00 Quantity
TK Meal with Hamburger, French Fries & Drink		\$9.00 Quantity
TK Meal with VeggieBurger, French Fries & Drink		\$9.00 Quantity
TK Meal with Chicken Sandwich, French Fries & Drink		\$9.00 Quantity
TK Meal with Grilled Cheese, French Fries & Drink		\$9.00 Quantity
TK Meal with Hot Dog, French Fries & Drink		\$9.00 Quantity
TK Meal with Cheeseburger, Chips & Drink		\$7.00 Quantity
TK Meal with Hamburger, Chips & Drink		\$7.00 Quantity
TK Meal with VeggieBurger, Chips & Drink		\$7.00 Quantity
TK Meal with Chicken Sandwich, Chips & Drink		\$7.00 Quantity
TK Meal with Grilled Cheese, Chips & Drink		\$7.00 Quantity
TK Meal with Hot Dog Chips & Drink		\$7.00 Quantity
Old World Roasted Corn (Kettle Corn can be purchased at evi	ent) \$	4.00 per ear Quantity
	TOTAL AMOUNT I	ENCLOSED-

#### Back by popular demand at Carnival this year:

## the wine grab!

Don't miss the wine grab station at Carnival! Buy a cork and trade it in for a surprise bottle of vino at the end of the night! We need your help to make it fabulous!

If you or someone you know can make a tax-deductible donation of bottles of wine to the VPE Home & School League, please let us know!

Corks will be sold for \$20 each, so donated bottles should be appealing to shoppers in that price range. Donations will be accepted outside the MPR before the next H&SL meeting; Thursday, 3/21 at 8:00 a.m.

\*\*NO Alcohol is allowed on campus ~ we are happy to arrange pick up\*\*

Please contact Michelle Gonzalez: president@upe-hsl.org





#### Silent Auction Items Needed! Can You Help?

**VPE's Silent Auction is ONLY 1 month away** and I am heading into overdrive. First, a big thank you to those who have already helped secure items for the auction. I have secured some great items as well and am waiting for responses from local and national corporate companies.

What can you do to help? I am glad you asked. Maybe you have a connection with someone who has a time share, or tickets to an Angels game, or concert. Maybe a night stay at a local hotel? If you know someone who can get electronics, I would love to get a flat screen TV, or Ipod shuffle. Or, perhaps you have a favorite salon, dog groomer, restaurant, theme park, Spa etc. that you frequent and don't mind asking them if they would like to donate for the auction the next time you are there.

My goal is to have at least 80% of the items set in the next month. Thank you in advance to our parents for your donations to our class baskets and the room parents for putting them together. The baskets are popular items every year, and they are stress free items for me. If you have an item or service that you would like to donate, please don't hesitate to email me. I am happy to run out and get them, provide our Tax ID# and receipt if needed.

Thank you all in advance for your support of our annual Silent Auction! Darren Tolliver: dtolliver@yahoo.com



\*We are still in need of some AWESOME donations! Attached is a list of potential items we could use. Please reach out to Darren Tolliver, Silent Auction Chair, if you have items to donate and/or questions. Thank You!

## **Auction Wish List**

HOTEL & TRAVEL Vacation home rentals, cabins and time shares -Wine getaways

-California getaways (San Diego, Palm Springs, Napa)
-Extreme sports getaways
-Local overnight Hotel stays (parent's night) -Winter ski packages with lodging

-Luggage Camping gear and equipment -Limo certificates / Classic car rentals

#### **ENTERTAINMENT & SPORTS**

-Airline tickets

-Concert tickets -Sporting Event tickets / Suites -Celebrity / Athlete meet and greet -Golf foursomes -Movie/Theatre tickets

-Amusement park admission tickets -"Behind the scenes" tours -Boating / Fishing excursions -Specialty bus tours

-Certified Signed sports memorabilia -Sports equipment

-Sports lessons / training (golf, baseball, etc) -sports (essons / training (goit, basebail, etc) -Extreme Sports (indoor climbing, skate park, etc) -Music lessons -Musical instruments

-Video Entertainment Centers / Games -DVD's / Blu-Ray Discs

#### ELECTRONICS

-Digital Camera / Camcorder -MP3 Players -Designer headphones -Smart phones -Tablets Laptop / Notebook

CHILDREN & FAMILY

-Children's summer camps -Children's classes / Tutoring services -Family portraits

-Dog walking services / -Pet sitting Pet supplies

#### FOOD & WINE

-Restaurant dining certificates -Cooking / Baking classes -Craft Beer Brewery tour and tastings -Kitchen accessories (instant pot, etc) -Hosted dinner parties -Wine tasting parties

#### HEALTH & BEAUTY

-Salon / Spa certificates -Gym or health club memberships -Hair, manicure, pedicure or facial certificate -Dental exams -Eye exams -Yoga / Zumba / Pilates classes -Personal training sessions

#### HOME, GARDEN & OFFICE

-Florist certificate -Bar Accessories -Landscaping services -Computer / Design classes -Office supplies / Software -Tax preparation / Estate planning

-Women's apparel gift cards / Accessories -Men's apparel gift cards / Accessories -Designer Purses / Wallets -Accessories (Jewelry, Watches, Sunglasses)

#### **5th Grade Updates**

Hello Bobcat Families! There are a few updates for 5th Grade!

#### See's Candy

See's Candy will be sold by VPE 5th Graders for your Easter Baskets! No need to wait in lines at the See's Candy Stores, you can simply place your order and it will be delivered right to school for you to take home before Easter. Be looking for order forms to come home in the next couple of weeks.

#### Carnival

Mark your calendars- Friday, April 12th will be our annual school carnival and auction! This year's theme will be "VPE's Country Fair!" Come out and enjoy some good and old-fashioned country fair fun!

Our Community Discount Cards are up for sale now!

VPE's Class of 2020 is selling amazing Community Discount Cards!

- The cards are \$20 per card..
- The cards are hard plastic and the size of a credit card.
- The card is good for an entire year. It expires February 29, 2020.
- You get the discount **every time** you visit for the **entire year**.
- · Discount is only available at the location listed.

#### How can you get one?

Order from your favorite  $5^{th}$  Grader, the funds they earn go directly into their individual Outdoor

Education Science Camp account.

- · Or, print out the attached order form and turn in with payment to the office by March  $31^{st}$ , c/o Kari Christie.
- · Orders will be distributed soon after.

If you have any questions, please email Kari Christie at karichristie 2002@yahoo.com

Please see the flyer on the next page for more information or feel free to visit the VPE website at <a href="https://www.vpe-hsl.org">www.vpe-hsl.org</a> to download a copy of the flyer.

## Don't Miss Out on the New Community Discount Card!

#### On Sale Now!! Help Support 5th Grade Fundraising!!

#### Our VPE 5th Graders are selling these amazing Community Discount Cards!

- The cards are \$20 per card.
- Discounts are as shown above.
- The cards are hard plastic and the size of a credit card.
- The card is good for an entire year. It expires February 29, 2020.
- You get the discount every time you visit for the entire year.
- Discount is only available at the location listed.





#### How can you get one?

- Order from your favorite 5th Grader, the funds they earn go directly into their individual Outdoor Education Science Camp account.
- Or, turn in the bottom portion of this form with payment to the office by March 31st, c/o Kari Christie.
- Orders will be distributed soon after.
- If you have any questions, please email Kari Christie at karichristie2002@yahoo.com

Discount Card Order Form		
Student Name:	Teacher & Room #	
Number of Discount Cards Purchasing:	x \$20.00 =	

#### **Restaurant Day**

This month's Restaurant Day will be held at Chick-Fil-A! Remember all proceeds go directly back to VPE. Restaurant Day will be held on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 between the hours of 6:30am-10pm. Be sure to show the flyer below to make sure we receive the credit. A downloadable flyer will be available on our website <a href="https://www.vpe-hsl.org">www.vpe-hsl.org</a> if you would like to print it out.

#### Chick-fil-A Day

Wednesday, Mar 13th 2019 • 6:30am - 10:00pm



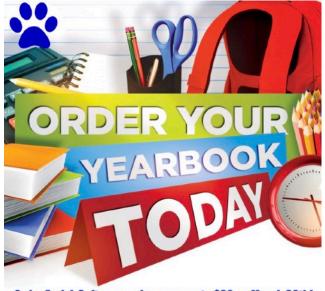
Let cashier know you're here to support VPE Class of 2020 & a % of the day's sales will be donated accordingly. Dine in, Take out & Catering apply!



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VPE Yearbooks are now for sale, don't wait and order yours today! Order online at <a href="www.lifetouch.com">www.lifetouch.com</a> and enter the yearbook ID mentioned below on the flyer.

\*Reminder, Soft Cover yearbooks go up in price on March 30th.



Order Early! Softcover price goes up to \$30 on March 30th!

\$25 Softcover \$35 Hardcover ORDER ONLINE AT:
https://ybpay.lifetouch.com
Yearbook ID Code: 4199519



#### **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!**



Do you have a child that will be 5 years old by September 1, 2019? Then they are ready to be a Bobcat! Please go online and register your incoming kindergarten student as soon as possible to help us plan for the 2019-2020 school year. If you have any questions, please feel free to stop by the office or give us a call 714-997-6281.



The H&SL needs your help! We are looking for volunteers to help continue our tradition of parent involvement in our school community. **The following positions are open**. Please contact Michelle Gonzalez at president@vpe-hsl.org if you have an interest in becoming more involved with VPE!

#### **EXEC BOARD**

Treasurer (1 person, 2 year commitment) Must have an understanding of how to create a budget, money handling procedures and accounting.

#### **GENERAL BOARD**

- -Health & Safety Coordinator
- -Hospitality Chair (2 people)
- -Lip Sync Coordinator (2 people)
- -5th Grade Mother-Daughter Tea Coordinator (2 people)
- -Field Day Coordinator (2 people)
- -Firework Booth/Voucher Coordinator

### 2019-20 School Year Pertussis (Whooping Cough) Immunization and Varicella Requirements

# All 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Students will need to Provide Proof of a Pertussis Booster and 2<sup>nd</sup> Varicella vaccine.



On July 1, 2011, California Assembly Bill 354 requires that all 7<sup>th</sup> grade students entering school for the 2019-20 school year will be required to provide proof of a Tdap (Pertussis) booster. This may be met by receiving this booster on or after your child's 7th birthday.

Starting July 1 2019 all children will require

Protect your child now!
Call your doctor or health department and get your child immunized!
Bring proof of to the VPE Health Office ASAP!

#### **Box Tops**

Let's get those Box Tops in as they are a great help to our school. Here is the form that you can use to turn them in on. Simply follow this link to print out as many copies as you may need! We need your help!!!

https://www.boxtops4education.com/about/collection-sheets



Support the Villa Park Elementary Home and School League by shopping at



When you shop on amazon.smile.com, select Villa Park Home and School League as your charitable organization. Amazon will donate .5% of the price of eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the Home and School League.

AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same Amazon Prime benefits.

Start your shopping at smile.amazon.com to support our school.

#### Safety for our Students, Parents and Staff!

Be Safe at Morning Drop Off and Afternoon Pick Up!

It is our intention and hope that all students and families arrive safe on campus. Please, please use caution and patience in the morning and afternoon. Please use the crosswalks at all times and avoid darting across Center Dr. and Lincoln Ave. Even drivers paying attention cannot see you or a young student suddenly running across the street. Please set a good example for your children, be courteous to other drivers and those using the crosswalk.

Morning Drop Off: 7:45 to 8:00 am

- Please DO NOT drop off early—especially in the back. Students are not supervised.
- Allow more time than you think you will need, traffic and parking do move slowly
- There is less traffic at 7:45am, so please plan and leave a few minutes earlier.
- Please check your parking spot, DO NOT park in stalls marked "STAFF"
- DO NOT park where curbs are painted red or with in 30 feet of a stop sign.

Dismissal 2:05 (K-3), 2:20 (4-6), Wednesdays all students dismissed at 12:15 pm

- Clarify your pickup location with your student(s)
- Post your name visibly in the front window for front lot drive up Older siblings should meet younger siblings
- Please be courteous and DO NOT cut in front of the drive up lane if there is cars already lined up waiting
- Please DO NOT ask your child to wait off campus
- Supervised Pick Up ends at 2:35



#### Contact Us

The Bobcat News is the monthly publication for families and students of Villa Park Elementary from the VPE H&SL, the non-profit parent group for our school.

To report absences, please call operation concerns at (714) 538-9710

-Kindergarten to 3rd Grade: 8:00 am - 2:05 pm (12:15-1:00 pm LUNCH) -4th Grade to 6th Grade: 8:00 am - 2:20 pm (11:45-12:30 pm LUNCH) -Every Wednesday: K-6th Grade 8:00 am - 12:15 pm

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