



BOBCAT NEWS

A monthly publication of the Villa Park Elementary Home & School League

H&SL Meeting
September 20, 2018 at
8:15 in the MPR

Principal's Message

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year! We started this school year with a new tradition of "Ringing in the School Year". On the morning of the first day of school we gathered in the quad, sang the VPE song and rang the old school bell. We were honored to have Carl Keller, and John Hamilton who attended VPE in 1949 ring the bell with three of our kindergarten students and one of our sixth grade students. This is a tradition we will continue each year.



Mr. Keller, Principal Beggs, Oliver, Logan, Kody, Amya, Mr. Hamilton

I am thrilled to join the Villa Park Elementary family as principal. The staff at VPE is a group of dedicated professionals here to support all students to thrive in learning and life. We pride ourselves in going above and beyond each and every day. Our data shows that our instructional strategies are working. In both state and local assessments, we outscore state and county averages and the percentage of our students reaching and exceeding proficiency targets continues to grow. Villa Park Elementary is already an outstanding school, yet we continuously strive to improve.

Villa Park Elementary believes that learning is a team effort, and parent and community involvement is key to our success. We have a highly active Home and School League and Dad's Club. Both these parent organizations enrich our school and community in a number of ways such as funding school wide programs and campus improvements,

organizing family fun events, and providing countless volunteer hours to support our students. We are also pleased to have the support of community groups such as the Villa Park Rotary Club and the Villa Park Women's League who contribute extra funds for teacher projects, STEAM, and arts initiatives.

I have worked in Orange Unified School District and the field of education for fifteen years. Following nine years of elementary teaching experience, I moved to the District Office as an instructional coach supporting teachers and students in curriculum, instruction, and intervention. I then accepted an administrative position as Coordinator of Inclusive Schooling. I am thrilled to be Principal for Villa Park Elementary School and am honored to carry on the rich traditions and rigorous learning environment currently in place at VPE.

I am a proud mother of two beautiful little girls Charlotte (5), and Caroline (3). During my free time, I enjoy outdoor activities and spending time with my daughters, husband Jeff, and Great Dane Winston. As the VPE principal, you can expect that I will be visible, accessible, and collaborative. I am looking forward to working together as partners in learning. On behalf our outstanding VPE staff, I wish you a wonder school year.

Go Bobcats!
Dr. Sara Beggs
Principal



Upcoming Events:

September

- 9/3: NO SCHOOL-Labor Day
- 9/5: Blaze Pizza Fundraiser
- 9/7: Birthday Club
- 9/12: First Dads Club Meeting, 6:30 pm
- 9/10-14: Art Masters Week
- 9/14: Spirit Wear Sales End
- 9/21: Fall Pictures
- 9/28: 6th Grade Teacher Treats
VPE DC Poker Tournament
Bobcat Spirit Day

October

- 10/5 Fall Family Night
- 10/5-12 Book Fair
- 10/10 National Walk to School Day



H&S League President

Welcome back Bobcats!

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to our new principal, Mrs. Beggs and our new VPE families as well as our returning families, teachers and staff. As we return to school, with new routines, a friendly reminder to please stay safe during drop off and pick up times. Please use crosswalks, exercise a little extra patience and courtesy. It is our hope that all students get to school safely.

We encourage and invite all families to become members of our Home & School League. The Home & School League is the organized non-profit parent group here at VPE and was created way back in 1931. Together with VPE, we strive to promote a balanced academic experience and student enrichment for all students. The H&SL provides art and music enrichment, technology upgrades, campus updates, physical education and educational assemblies. How do we do this? With your support of course! We are truly dependent on your contributions. Whether it be your time, knowledge or resources, you will make a noticeable difference for our students and our VPE community.

Once a member, you will be granted access to our online school directory, be invited to our monthly Home & School League meetings, held the third Thursday of the month in the MPR at 8:15am, and receive a special Bobcat car decal! We invite you to register today and download the My School Anywhere Application. This is an exciting new way for us to be able to communicate and also make available online payments for membership, spirit wear and even register for our awesome end of the year, Dad's Club Camp Bobcat!

Come join us for our first general meeting of the year on September 20th! Younger siblings are always welcome! This is a great way to find out about upcoming activities on campus throughout the school year. Most importantly, our principal, Mrs. Beggs will give updates on school and district information. We are also lucky to get a grade level presentation from the students about what is currently going on in their classroom. So, come by, grab a cup of coffee and a treat and hear about what's happening at VPE!

Please stay up to date with all VPE happenings via our website: vpeHSL.org, twitter and Facebook!

I wish all our families a warm welcome and wish you a terrific year!

Sincerely,

Michelle Gonzalez





H&S League President

2018-2019 School Year
VILLA PARK
ELEMENTARY
 Home & School League

MEMBERSHIP
DRIVE
AUG 28 - SEPT 14

Your Family Membership Matters!

Did you know your donation directly affects all VPE students. The money we collect from membership dues is crucial and necessary in order for the school to continue to provide our students diverse enrichment.

Here is a sample of what is funded by the Home & School League

K - 6 PE Program	\$10,000	Technology Upgrades	\$5,000
K - 4 Music Program	\$6,000	Track Program	\$2,000
K - 6 Lexia Program	\$2,600	Educational Assemblies	\$8,500
Art Masters	\$6,000	Teacher Supply Stipends	\$6,750



**ICE
CREAM
PARTY!!**

Help Your Child's Class Win!

The VPE class* that has the most memberships by Sept. 14th will receive a bonus recess + super ice cream party!

**One upper & one lower grade winner*

Buy your membership online...

Register online at:
join.myschoolanywhere.com

Invitation Code:
VPEHSL

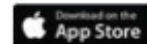
Quickly enter your family information, you will receive an email with login credentials. Then use the store to pay the \$20 Home & School League membership fee.



**Get the VPE
Smartphone App!**



MySchoolAnywhere



Or pay with this order form...

Mother / Father Name: _____ Student(s): _____

Teacher(s): _____ Email: _____

Villa Park Elementary
 Home & School League
 is a registered non-profit
 Tax ID # 23-7271436

H&SL Family Membership (Online directory access + 1 window cling) **\$20.00**

Membership Drive Fundraiser (Donate an extra \$25, \$50, \$75, \$100 or more) **\$**

Please make checks payable to: VPE H&SL **Total Enclosed** **\$**



5th Grade & H&SL Fundraising

MIXED BAGS FUNDRAISER

Coming Soon! The 5th Grade students at VPE will be selling Mixed Bags. Proceeds from the fundraiser helps to offset the cost for students to attend the Outdoor Education during their 6th Grade year. More information and dates to come soon!

Also, we the 5th grade class would like to thank everyone who supported our Blaze Pizza Restaurant Night! We had an amazing turnout and we appreciate it!

6th Grade News

Attention 6th Grade Parents!

Your fundraising committee is busy planning this year's events, including outdoor science camp (December 3-7). Disneyland and Graduation activities. If you would like to make a donation to fully fund your child's spending account please make your checks payable to "VPE Class of 2019" and please return them to your child's teacher. Balance info was passed out at Back to School Night... but if you have any questions or still need it. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Melissa Dickey at busterandcharlie@sbcglobal.net
Thank you and we are looking forward to a great year!



Welcome back VPE Dads!

Let's get our monthly permission slip signed to hang out – I mean, get together for the betterment for our kids' school!

VPE Dads Club is comprised of a group of dedicated dads who enjoy making their kids proud and making improvements to VPE for the future. We understand you're busy. Your participation is completely voluntary. The more you do, the better VPE will look!

I'm calling all the veterans and new dads to mark the following dates on your calendar:

- **First Meeting:** *Wednesday 9/12/18 at 6:30 pm in VPE MPR*
- **Poker Night:** *Friday 9/28/18 7-11 pm at VP City Hall*
- **Work Day:** *Sunday 10/14/18 9 am -2 pm at VPE*

Poker night registration is already open. Click this link to reserve your seat: http://stores.kustomimprints.com/vp-poker/index.lasso?type=item&c_id=5826

VPE Moms - please sign your hubby's permission slip and feel free to "voluntell" him to participate in VPE Dads Club events.

Looking forward to a packed house for our first meeting!

Jordan Wu
vpedadsclub@gmail.com



Friday, September 28, 2018

7:00 PM - 11:00 PM

Villa Park City Hall

17855 Santiago Blvd, Villa Park, CA 92861

\$25.00 Buy-In

Price includes tournament fee, adult "refreshments" & prizes

Let's be clear, this is a low-stakes poker tournament . It is not a fundraiser, rather an opportunity to play poker and hang with other dads from VPE. *No problem if you never played before- this is your chance to learn and enjoy.*

CLICK HERE TO SIGN-UP

**Over \$500
in Prizes!**



*Winner also gets coveted
champion tee for child!*



ART MASTERS

On September 6th students will be introduced to a Native American artist, Helen Hardin who lived in two worlds. She was a modern American woman who had strong ties to her Native American roots. Her modern paintings portray the magical beauty of Native American kachinas (katsinas) and inspire student collage at primary levels and modern abstract compositions at middle and upper levels. Classroom art projects will begin the week of September 10. If you would like to volunteer for an upcoming Art Masters project, please contact your Art Masters Classroom Coordinator or Room

Fall Pictures 2018

Hello Everyone! As a reminder Fall Picture Day is scheduled September 21st. Be on the lookout for the Picture Order Form that will be coming home with your child soon!



2018-19 VPE Bobcat Spirit Wear is on sale NOW

It's a new design this year and as always there are plenty of options for the whole family. Attached is an order form, but you can also order online on your VPE MySchoolAnywhere Smartphone App or use the following link to purchaser directly. Purchase deadline is Friday, September 14th and spirit wear will be delivered to the classes in early October.



Item Type	Item Color	Item Size (Please circle choice)	Quantity (Please enter)	Price	Total (Please enter)
100% Cotton Tee - Printed Design	<input type="radio"/> Navy Blue - <input type="radio"/> Sport Gray	Youth Sm Youth Med Youth Lg Youth Xl Adult Sm Adult Med Adult Lg Adult Xl Adult XXL	x	\$10.00	=
Girls / Juniors Crew Tee - Printed Design	<input type="radio"/> Navy Blue - <input type="radio"/> Sport Gray	Girls Sm Girls Med Girls Lg Girls Xl Juniors Sm Juniors Med Juniors Lg Juniors Xl Juniors XXL	x	\$12.00	=
Ladies Crew Tee - Ladies Sizes	<input type="radio"/> Navy Blue - <input type="radio"/> Sport Gray	Ladies Small Ladies Med Ladies Lg Ladies Xl Ladies XXL	x	\$12.00	=
Mineral Freeze Performance Tee	<input type="radio"/> Navy Freeze	Youth Sm Youth Med Youth Lg Youth Xl Adult Sm Adult Med Adult Lg Adult Xl Adult XXL	x	\$15.00	=
Pullover Hoodie - Printed Design	<input type="radio"/> Navy Blue - <input type="radio"/> Sport Gray	Youth Sm Youth Med Youth Lg Youth Xl Adult Sm Adult Med Adult Lg Adult Xl Adult XXL	x	\$20.00	=
Rhinestone Tee - Girls & Juniors Sizes	<input type="radio"/> Navy Blue	Girls Sm Girls Med Girls Lg Girls Xl Juniors Sm Juniors Med Juniors Lg Juniors Xl Juniors XXL	x	\$15.00	=
Rhinestone Tee - Ladies Sizes	<input type="radio"/> Navy Blue	Ladies Small Ladies Med Ladies Lg Ladies Xl Ladies XXL	x	\$15.00	=
Electric Navy Applique Hoodie	<input type="radio"/> Electric Navy	Youth Sm Youth Med Youth Lg Youth Xl Adult Sm Adult Med Adult Lg Adult Xl Adult XXL	x	\$32.00	=
Trucker Cap	<input type="radio"/> Navy & White	Youth size caps Adult size caps	x	\$10.00	=
Parent Name: _____	Email: _____	Phone # _____	Total = \$ _____		
Child Name: _____	Teacher: _____	Room # _____	Make checks payable to VPE Home & School League		

Return this order form & payment to teacher by the deadline: Friday, September 14th, 2018

Shirts to be delivered in classroom in early October

SAVE THE DATE!

The Fall Family Fun Night is scheduled for Friday, October 5th at 5pm. Be on the lookout for more information to come! We are very excited for this event and hope to see you all there!





LIBRARY NEWS



Come in for some Fun on Friday, October 5th from 5pm-7pm during the Family Fun Night for the Grand Opening of the Book Fair!

If you are not able to make it in on that date, do not worry, the Book Fair will be open during the week of Monday, October 8th-Friday, October 12th.

Also making a comeback this year, the VPE Birthday Book Club! It's a super sweet treat for all! Please see the flyer attached with all the details!



VPE BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB!

It's a Super Sweet Treat!

To join the Birthday Book Club, just donate a new book to the VPE Library in honor of your child's birthday. A permanent decorative bookplate with your child's name and birthday will be placed inside the book you donate. The librarian will present the new book during a classroom library visit and your child will be the first to check out the book from our library. Your child will have their picture taken and displayed in the library, along with receiving a birthday bookmark as a memento.

To donate:

1) Purchase a new book that your child might like and send the book along with the form below to school, attention Mrs. O'Dowd in the library.

or

2) Send in the form below along with a \$20 donation and a book will be purchased for you.

Please make sure that the form below is submitted with either donation option so that your child may be properly recognized on their birthday. Summer birthdays may be recognized at any time! Thank you for helping the VPE library grow!

Any questions, please contact Mrs. O'Dowd at godowd@orangeusd.org

VPE Birthday Book Club

Child's name _____

Birthday _____

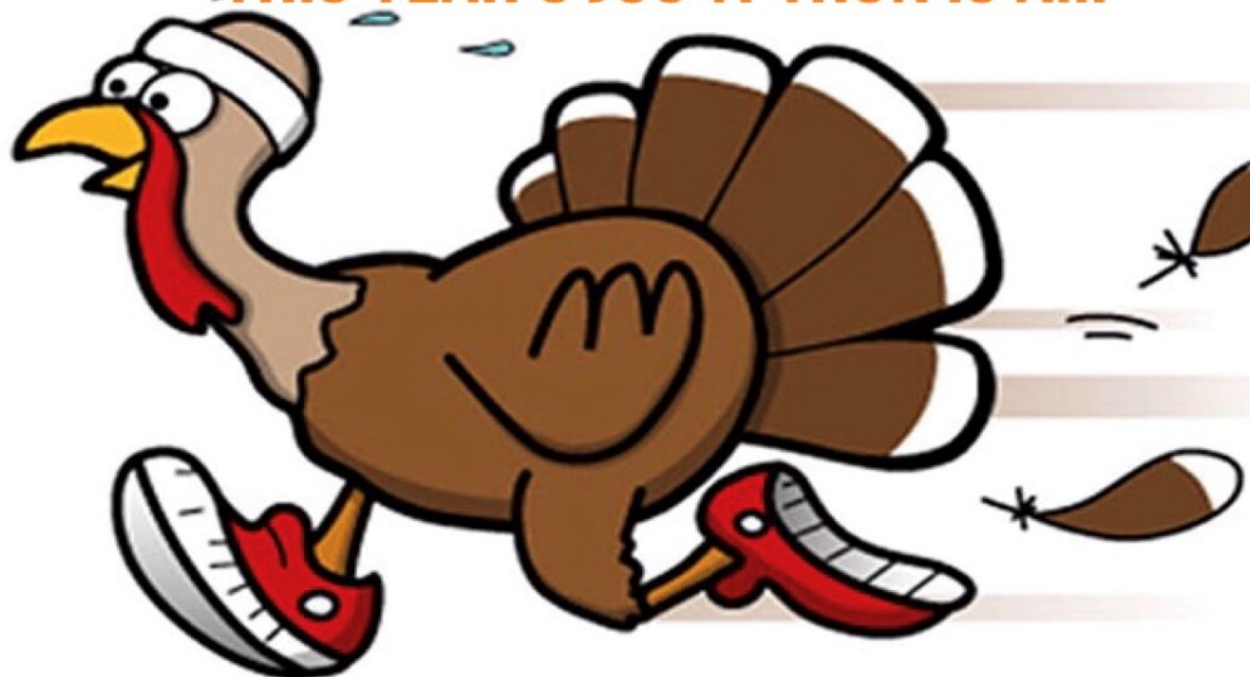
Teacher _____ Room # _____

I have purchased and attached a book. The title is:

I'm attaching a \$20 donation. Listed below are some of my child's interests.



THIS YEAR'S JOG-A-THON IS A...



TURKEY TROT!

*VPE'S ANNUAL JOG-A-THON
FUNDRAISER WILL TAKE PLACE ON
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14.*

*BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR
SPONSORSHIP AND PLEDGE
INFORMATION TO BE
COMING HOME SOON!*

GO BOBCATS!



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 concern 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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President: Michelle Gonzalez president@vpe-hsl.org

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