



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

H&SL Meeting
 May 28, 2019
 During Open House

Principal's Message

May Bobcat News

The Team Kids Challenge is at Villa Park Elementary! For 5 weeks VPE students work with local Police Officers, Firefighters, and Team Kids Coaches to learn they are not too young to change the world while tackling the needs of their community one week at a time! The first week, students collected gently used towels and blankets for a local animal shelter, the second week, hygiene items for the Illumination Foundation, and the third week food items for South County Outreach. Over seventy five 4th-6th graders have volunteered to be part of the Team Kids Leadership Team to create a student run carnival in which all proceeds will go to a local animal shelter. This program has encouraged our VPE students work collaboratively, think critically and creatively towards a common goal that supports our community. Go Bobcats!

Principal Beggs



Upcoming Events

May 2019

- 5/1 Kinder Field Trip - Tanaka Farms
- 5/2 SOTM
Taiko Project Assembly
- 5/3 Birthday Club
Bobcat Spirit Day
Team Kids Carnival 12-1 pm
SBAC Pep Rally 1-1:30 pm
- 5/6-10 SBAC Testing Window
- 5/6-10 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 5/9 2nd Grade Field Trip-Pitzer College
Team Kids Leadership Debrief
ELAC Meeting
- 5/10 Bobcat Spirit Day
Staff Appreciation Luncheon
- 5/13-17 SBAC Testing Window
- 5/15 Patriotic Spirit Day
Red Cross Blood Drive
- 5/17 Bobcat Spirit Day
- 5/22 VAPA Band/Orchestra Showcase
- 5/23 SOTM
- 5/24 Bobcat Spirit Day
Last Day of Music and PE
- 5/28 H&SL Meeting
Open House
- 5/29 Last Day VAPA
VAPA Showcase
- 5/30 5th Grade State Fair
- 5/31 Bobcat Spirit Day
Minimum Day
Volunteer Tea

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,

We are in the home stretch!! I can't believe how fast this year has gone. It is my hope that you all had an amazing year of growth, fun, new experiences and many memorable moments.

This month, I'd like to thank those that have given their time this year to VPE behind the scenes. You may not know them or see them every day, but they've certainly given the grease to help the wheels run smoothly throughout this year at VPE.

Wendy McGrane, thank you for managing our After School Enrichment programs and always being on the look out for new exciting classes to engage our students.

Michelle Tao and Veronica Tarnofsky, thank you for organizing our Art Masters program and prepping supplies the entire year. Thank you for providing our morning coffee and treat at every Home and School League meeting.

Holly von Ting and Donna Czekalski, thank you for making sure every student gets a cupcake during their birthday month. In addition to birthday club, Holly handles our Bobcat Angels to help those students and families in need. Donna also takes on family fun night, lip sync and donates her time to bring our carnival to life with her amazing props and helps organize career day.

Thank you to Wendy Zuazo and Jeannine Torres-Kim, who both work together to make sure our social media, Bobcat News and website are up to date with all the important information.

Thank you, Sandy Kaneko for managing our Free Money! With the last box tops count, we received \$650!

Kristi Hamelin, thank you for organizing our students for school pictures in the Fall and Spring!

Thank you to Nervana Sherif and Maria Griswold for compiling, managing and creating this year's yearbook. We can't wait to see it!

Kim Barks-Finamore, thank you for spearheading yet another great Walk to School Day as well as our new and totally awesome "Only One You" rock river! If you haven't seen it, you need to!

Sara Hambarian is currently preparing for Field Day! Thank you, Sara for making our last day of school so much fun!

Monique McArthur, thank you for representing VPE at the firework booth, managing volunteers and selling vouchers to enrich our school. Look for vouchers on sale soon! VPE receives approx. \$2,500 for participating in the Firework sales!

Darren Tolliver and family, thank you for handling our silent auction this year during carnival! Huge success, bringing in over \$10,000!!

Ana Uriostegui, Shelly Johnson and Alisa Cartwright for putting together our 3rd grade bike rodeo! Receiving the bike license in 3rd grade is so much fun!

Thank you, Erin Flynn and Maria Griswold, where do I begin? Jog-a-Thon, holiday store and spring donation drive, just a few small things they have taken on this year! THANK YOU!

Kari Christie, thank you for another amazing carnival. Wow! Teacher appreciation luncheon and back to school luncheon. Thank you!

Our 5th grade fundraising team, Kari Christie, Kristina Simons, Erin Flynn, Mickey McGuire and Maria Griswold. Thank you for working so hard to get everyone to camp and planning for their 6th grade activities!

Our awesome book fairs... managed by Mickey McGuire and Maria Griswold with Gina O'Dowd our librarian. Always love the vision, decorations and themes. Thank you!

Mike Urbanski, thank you for leading the way for Camp Bobcat, an honored tradition here at VPE!

Nicole Trollinger... thank you for always being willing to help with banners, painting, work days, etc. We are so lucky to have your artistic skills available to us. You are one amazing artist!

Jordan Wu and our amazing Dad's Club... truly talented Dads making a difference at VPE!

Karen Goldberg for bringing to us our Legislative Coalition news every H&SL meeting.

Susan Somerndike, thank you for organizing our Parent Mixer this year and offering those amazing door prizes!

Beth Riley, thank you for helping to manage our students on hearing and vision screening days!

Room parents, we can't do it without you! Thank you for all of your time and efforts!

Jamie Harris, thank you for continuing to manage our online school directory and membership drive!

Melissa Dickey, thank you for heading up our 6th grade representatives and organizing the fun for our graduating class of 2019! Best wishes to all the VPE graduates!

Mark and Elaine Kuli, our spirit wear gurus, Dad's Club volunteer and VPE lifers! Thank you for your many years of dedication to VPE.

It is my intention to sincerely thank all of our General Board members, Executive Board members and a few extra that contribute to our VPE community throughout the year. In addition to my list, I'm sure the teachers could provide an even longer list of the numerous parents that support them and truly give for the enrichment of our school and students. THANK YOU from the bottom of my heart for your dedication. It truly makes a difference to each student.

Sincerely,

Michelle Gonzalez

President



VILLA PARK
ELEMENTARY



2019 Camp Bobcat Denali Adventure

The 2019 Camp Bobcat is just over a month away. Save the date for **Friday June 7th** for what proves to be another fun night. Brought to you by the VPE Dad's Club, Dads and Kids are invited to share in a time-honored tradition of camping on the VPE grounds. This is an event that every student will talk about over the summer.

Sign up forms will be available the week of May 6th and you'll be able to sign up online or with the provided form. All students will be receiving them so please be on the look out. Reserve your spot and take advantage of savings if booked before May 31st to help us better plan.

Food, snacks, and treats will be available for purchase as well as T-shirts and everyone will go home with a photo keepsake. Activities include crafts from Home Depot, Police activities, corn hole and a movie.

This is the primary fundraiser for the Dad's Club and in order to make it successful, we could use your help. We are in need of your help for set up and assistance pre/during/post event as well as prizes to be raffled off during the event. If you can help, please reach out to Mike Urbanski at mike.urbanski@yahoo.com

[Sign up Here for Camp Bobcat](#)



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CAMP BOBCAT

Sleep in your own tent, right on the VPE playground!

Friday, June 7, 2019

Check-In starts at 4:30 P.M.

Event Fee: \$30.00* (Per family) **Pay by May 31st and it's only \$25.00!*
Includes all Camp Bobcat activities, entertainment, souvenir photo, free movie, popcorn & pancake breakfast in the morning.

Dinner \$5.00 (Per person) **Optional*
Burgers, hot dogs and other yummy food options for the family.

Campout T-Shirt- \$10.00 **Optional*
Steel Blue T-Shirt with 2019 Camp Bobcat design



Even if you cannot camp overnight, please join us for our final school year event!

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT VPE FACILITIES!

For more info contact ... **Mike Urbanski** (714) 345-5126
Camp Bobcat Chair mike.urbanski@yahoo.com

**** THREE PAYMENT OPTIONS**** Pay for Camp Bobcat online or with a smartphone or with this order form.



- Pay by smart phone with the VPE Home & School League / **MySchoolAnywhere App**
- Go to www.vpe-hsl.org and make purchases with the VPE Home & School League online store
- If using this paper form, just return payment & form to teacher before deadline!

\$25.00 discount deadline is Friday, May 31st, 2019

Final sign-up deadline is Wednesday, June 5th, 2019

Parent Name

Child's Name (s)

Dad's Email Phone

Event Fee	Dinner(s)	T-Shirts (Youth & Adult Sizes)	Total																
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**Pay by May 31st and receive \$5.00 discount!*

Make checks payable to VPE Home & School League

Dino-Mite Book Fair

Join us for our last book fair of the school year! This is a great time to stock up on reading material for the kiddos to keep them engaged in reading during their much anticipated Summer Vacation! The Book Fair is open May 24th-May 31st during Lunch and After School. In addition the Book Fair will also be open during our Open House on May 28th from 6:30-8 pm



MAY 24TH – MAY 31ST

LUNCHTIME & AFTER SCHOOL

JOIN US DURING OPEN HOUSE!

TUESDAY, MAY 28TH 6:30PM–8:00PM

DIGITAL PAYMENT OPTION: EWALLET! YOU CAN SEND YOUR CHILD TO SHOP THE FAIR CASH-FREE BY LOADING MONEY ONTO AN EWALLET ACCOUNT FOR YOUR CHILD! VISIT OUR BOOK FAIR HOMEPAGE TO LEARN MORE AND TO CREATE AN ACCOUNT:

WWW.SCHOLASTIC.COM/BF/VILLAPARKELEMENTARYSCHOOL1

THE BOOK FAIR WAS A HUGE SUCCESS ONCE AGAIN DUE TO THE WORK OF OUR VOLUNTEERS AND ALL THE FAMILIES WHO MADE PURCHASES FROM THE VAST SELECTION OF BOOKS SENT TO OUR SCHOOL BY FOLLET. WE GIVE A BIG CHEER TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

*VERONICA TARNOFSKY,
MONIQUE MCARTHUR,
MELISSA DICKEY,
HEATHER CASSARA,
ALICIA GONZALEZ,
HOLLY VON TING,
NORMA LYLES,
PAULENE MATHIS,
JULIE KRODEL,
KRISTINA SIMONS, AND
ERIN FLYNN*



2019 Youth Football Camp

The Villa Park High School football program is hosting a one day, non-contact youth football camp on Saturday, July 27th. The camp will be coached by the Spartans head coach, Dusan Ancich, and his staff. Athletes will receive football instruction from varsity coaches and players and participate in non-contact drills and scrimmages.

Please see the flyer/waiver below for more information and feel free to visit our website at www.vpe-hsl.org to download a copy of the waiver.

2019 Dusan Ancich Youth Football Camp, for ages 5-16
Saturday, July 27th @ 9:00am-3:00pm
Registration Opens @ 8:00am

Villa Park High School, 18042 Taft Ave., Villa Park, CA 92861
Located at the back of the school – Football Practice Field

REGISTRATION, CONSENT, & WAIVER OF LIABILITY FORM

Athletes Name: _____

Age/Grade/School: _____

Parent Name/Cell: _____

Parent Email: _____

Athlete Shirt Size: SMALL MEDIUM LARGE XL XXL

I authorize the above named athlete, to participate in the Dusan Ancich Youth Football Camp, on July 21, 2018. I understand that there are risks and dangers involved in the Dusan Ancich Youth Football Camp, and I voluntarily assume all of those risks and dangers, including the risks and dangers of personal injury and property damage, that may occur during or arise from the Dusan Ancich Youth Football Camp. In exchange for being permitted to participate in the Dusan Ancich Youth Football Camp, I hereby expressly and unequivocally release and discharge the camp sponsor(s), supporter(s), endorser(s), and host(s), the Orange Unified School District, Villa Park High School, City of Villa Park, VPHS Gridiron Boosters, Dusan Ancich Youth Football Camp Coaches, mentors, volunteers, including parties not listed herein and their affiliates, divisions, officers, directors, shareholders, employees, and agents from all claims, actions, suits, proceedings, costs, expenses, damages, and liabilities, including attorney's fees, involving personal injury or property damage resulting from my participation in the Dusan Ancich Youth Football Camp; including without limitation, all claims resulting from any actual or claimed negligent acts or omissions, whether active or passive, of the released parties. I also understand and agree that my image and/or my child (named Athlete, above) or likeness may be used as part of any live or recorded video display or other transmission, reproduction or depiction in any media of all or part of this event. I am not under any legal disabilities that prevent me from being legally bound by this Waiver and Release of Liability for Personal Injury and Property Damage. I agree that this Waiver and Release, and any dispute arising from or involving the Waiver and Release, shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

On behalf of a minor for whom I am legally responsible, I hereby execute this Waiver and Release of Liability for Personal Injury and Property Damage.

Parent/Guardian Signature Date Print Name

This form is to be turned in, at Camp Registration/Check-in, on day of Camp.

You may contact Villa Park Football Boosters, at kj.fuchs@sbcglobal.net, with any questions.

www.villaparkfootball.com



Villa Park Elementary Night

AT ANGEL STADIUM

Tuesday
June 25th
 7:07PM

Reds
 vs
ANGELS

Villa Park Elementary Night at Angel Stadium

Join fellow students, staff, and supporters of Villa Park Elementary while your Angels take on the Cincinnati Reds!

A portion of every ticket sold goes back to the school for this fundraiser.

Seating is limited so be sure to purchase your tickets today!
 ORDER DEADLINE : FRIDAY, MAY 24th

CONTACT

Tickets can be purchased through

Michelle Gonzalez

president@vpe-hsl.org

Villa Park Elementary School

10551 Center Dr

Villa Park, CA 92861

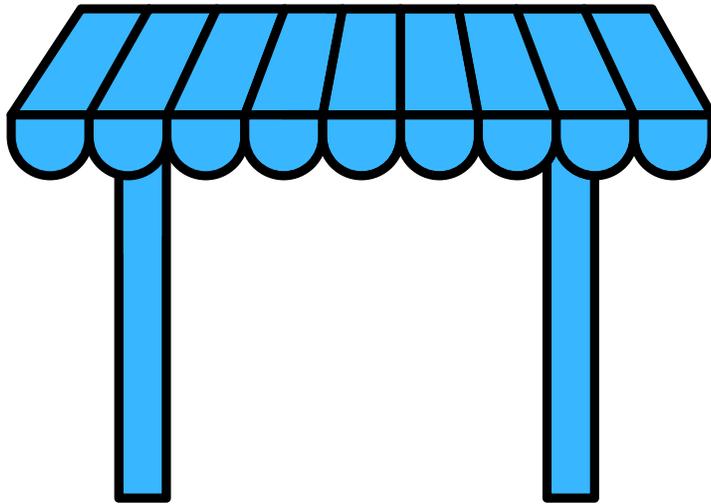
TICKETING

\$20 each - View Level near the In-field	\$
TOTAL	\$

PAYMENT

Payment Options: Cash Check

Cash & Checks Accepted. Make Payable to VPE H&SL.



VPE H&SL
Spring Donation
Drive
RESULTS are in!

Thank you for your support! Contributions collected from this Donation Drive will directly fund PE, music, Art Masters, and A NEW SHADE STRUCTURE on the quad!

THANKS TO YOUR EFFORTS, WE BROUGHT IN
\$ 6,885

67 students win a BONUS RECESS for sending 10+ emails!

Mrs. Granger's and Mrs. Valeriotte's classes win pizza parties for being the top-earning upper- and lower-grade classes!



Nominees for the Home & School League Executive Board

The Nominating Committee for the 2019-2020 school year met on Tuesday, April 16th, 2019 and presented the following slate of officers at the Home and School League meeting on Thursday, April 18th, 2019.

President: Erin Flynn

1st VP Ways & Means: Maria Griswold & Veronica Tarnofsky

2nd VP Programs: Beth Riley & Michelle Tao

3rd VP Room Moms: Kari Christie & Heather Cassara

4th VP Dads Club: Ryan Dierking

Treasurer: Jennifer Cisneros & Shelly Johnson

Secretary: Kristina Simons

Parliamentarian: Kim Barks-Finamore

We will be voting on this incoming slate of officers at the VPE Open House on Tuesday, May 28th. Nominations will also be taken from the floor. Thank you in advance to these great volunteers and leaders. We would also like to thank our nominating committee: Mrs Adray, Kristi Hamelin, Wendy McGrane, Erin Flynn and Julie Krodel.

News from the Front Office

PARENTS.....

Please check the lost and found next time you are on campus. We have TONS of jackets, lunch bags and water bottles just waiting to be reunited with their loved ones. Also, please try and write your name on these items so they can be returned before they have to spend weeks waiting for you to find them. Thank you!

6th Grade News

6th grade parents - please stay tuned for important information regarding our end of year activities !

6th graders are headed to Disneyland on June 10th and our graduation ceremony/graduation party is on June 13th. Details will be sent out in the coming weeks!

**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.

It's time for Lip Sync at VPE!

Lip Sync is a long standing tradition at VPE, which invites students from grades 1–6 to form a group, choose a song, and perform in a concert in front of the other students. The performances include lip sync technique, costumes, and props/back drop. The performance will be professionally videotaped.

Below you will find the rules and criteria required to participate in this activity. ***PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!***

- A parent from each group **MUST** attend an informational lip sync meeting on ***Thursday, April 11th at 1:15pm*** in the Teachers Lounge. At that time, you will be given the necessary forms to complete as well as the deadlines.
- A permission slip permitting the student to participate in lip sync **MUST** be signed and turned into the school office.
- When choosing your music, please keep in mind that it **MUST** be appropriate for a school environment with young children. Music is subject to review and offensive songs may be rejected, *even if edited*. If you have questions about certain lyrics, please let us know. The duration of the songs must be *three minutes or less*. ***Music and lyrics must be submitted for approval by Wednesday, May 1st. Groups with music and lyrics that have NOT been approved by this date will not be allowed to perform. This is a firm date!***
- There must be at least **two** members in each group, and no adult or teacher may be allowed in a student's group.
- No gymnastics.
- No throwing things into the audience.
- No practicing is allowed on VPE's campus until after the bell rings at 2:20pm. Parents must sign in through the office before entering campus. On-campus practices are not sanctioned or supervised by the school, so parents must either be present or make arrangements for their child to be supervised while on campus.
- No practicing is allowed on VPE's campus until **AFTER 3:30pm** , unless you are out on the grass or black top, away from the buildings.
- The performances will start with the first graders and continue in grade order. The sixth graders will perform last, with the order chosen through a lottery system. *No special accommodations or changes to the performance date/order will be made.*

• This year there is only one performance. The performance date is ***Tuesday, June 11th at 8:15 am.***

We look forward to all of the performances and know that it will be a fun experience for our kids! If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you!

Donna Czekalski

dlczekalski@gmail.com or 714-322-2611

Bobcats Firework Booth

We are excited to announce that once again VPE is fortunate to participate in the Cerro Villa TNT Fireworks Booth. We will have \$20 merchandise vouchers for sale beginning mid May. These vouchers work the same as cash and can be redeemed at the CV 4th of July Fireworks booth.

For every \$20 voucher purchase by VPE, our H&SL will receive \$10 back. We will also have the opportunity to work VPE assigned shifts at the Fireworks booth and in return VPE's H&SL will receive a percentage from all sales. Be on the lookout for the volunteer sign-ups sheet. Just a reminder, anyone volunteering must be 25 years of age or older. This is a fun and relatively easy way to help raise money for our H&SL. Last year we raised over two thousand dollars! Thanks Bobcats!

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

**All 7th Grade
Students will need to
Provide Proof of a
Pertussis Booster and 2nd
Varicella vaccine.**



On July 1, 2011, California Assembly Bill 354 requires that all 7th 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>



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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

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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

Principal: Dr. Sarah Beggs sbeggs@orangeusd.org

President: Michelle Gonzalez president@vpe-hsl.org



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