



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

H&SL Meeting
January 17, 2019
8:15 am

life we encourage intrinsic motivation through goal setting, self-management, and follow-through. Encourage your children to set goals that may not always be linked to a score or a grade. Rather, have children set goals that will help them grow as an individual and push them to set new courageous goals.



Principal's Message

As we ring in the New Year and welcome 2019 it is custom in many homes to set New Year resolutions. As an AVID school site, setting goals is something we are very familiar with at VPE. AVID is *Advancement Via Individual Determination*. The mission of AVID is to close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society. One of the key components of AVID is to support and encourage students to set their own meaningful and achievable goals. In one of VPE's AVID classrooms you may see students setting personal academic goals for a specific subject, or you may see students setting personal life goals for the trimester or year. In any case, all goals are personal, attainable, and meaningful to the student. As we prepare students to be successful in school and in



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.

Upcoming Events

January 2019

- 1/14-18 Art Masters Lessons
- 1/17 H&SL Meeting 8:15 am
ELAC Meeting 2:30 pm
- 1/18 Bobcat Spirit Day
- 1/21 MLK Holiday-NO SCHOOL
- 1/22 CAST Primary 2
- 1/23 VAPA Showcase (Choir/Theater)
8:15am-9:15am
- 1/25 Bobcat Spirit Day
Teacher Treats (3rd Grade)
6th Grade CVMS Orientation 9:15am
Fire Drill 9:30am
- 1/28-2/1 3rd Grade GATE Screening
- 1/29 CAST Upper #2
- 1/30 Crazy Hair Spirit Day
- 1/31 SOTM

H&S League President

Happy new year Bobcats!

I hope this Bobcat News finds you rested and ready to be fearless in 2019!

I'd first like to thank Erin Flynn and Maria Griswold for leading our Holiday Store last month, ensuring our students had the treasured tradition of finding a special gift for their loved ones. We also have a great selection of After School Enrichment activities again this winter, thanks to Wendy McGrane for her time and efforts securing these opportunities available to all students. Please make sure to check out the ASE winter offerings! On the horizon, keep your eyes peeled for information regarding our school Carnival, Wine Grab and Silent Auction happening in April. A big thank you to our volunteers and Carnival Chair, Kari Christie and our new Silent Auction Chair, Darren Tolliver.

With the new year, we are also looking for 2 (two) H&SL members to be part of our nominating committee for next year's slate of officers. You must be a H&SL member and have attended at least 1 (one) general board meeting to be eligible. One General Board member is needed as an alternate. If you meet the qualifications and are interested in being part of the nominating committee, please contact Michelle Gonzalez at president@vpe-hsl.org.

I am looking forward to an amazing 2019! As always, it's the community that sets VPE apart and I am so very proud, thankful and grateful for each and every one of you that make VPE the best place to be.

Cheers to VPE and the new year!

Michelle Gonzalez

President



Your favorite event is back due to high demand! Are you In or OUT? On **Friday 2/1/19**, Dads Club is hosting another **Poker Night from 7 pm to 11 pm** at Villa Park City Hall. Purchase your ticket quick - you have another chance this year to win the "My Dad Beat Your Dad at Poker!" T-shirt for your child. He/she will wear it proudly at VPE!



Dads Club is looking for at least four generous families who are willing to sponsor benches. These benches are 100% recycled UV-protected plastic. They can withstand harsh weather and won't rot, splinter or crack. Each bench will be a \$300 sponsorship. After assembled, the bench will have the sponsor's name on it. If you are interested, please email vpedadsclub@gmail.com. These benches will be located in the parent waiting area in front of the office for all to enjoy while waiting for your children to come out of school.



In other news, Mrs. Glasky's lunch cart was delivered right before the holiday break. The dog themed cart was built and painted by *Alfred Gonzalez* with daughter *Chloe*, and *Nicole Trollinger* with sons *Nick and Sam Peardon*. Look at these playful dogs and colors. It is certainly a work of art by these two parents and their kids. What a great upgrade for Mrs. Glasky's class!



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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!

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ART MASTERS

Art Master of the Month Jacob Lawrence

Students recently met the 20th century African American master artist, Jacob Lawrence. Through his fascinating paintings, students not only reviewed techniques and styles, but also learned of the history of African Americans. In their classrooms student artists combined art elements and techniques to create their own narrative masterpieces, or "stories without words."

After School Enrichment Programs

After School Enrichment Programs are up on the website, if you have not done so and would like your child to participate please get them enrolled asap as the programs begin January 28, 2019!

From Principal Beggs

Thank you to everyone who donated to the devastating Paradise fire. We reached our fundraising goal and as promised if our goal was met, Principal Beggs was Duct Taped to the wall, here are some fun pictures! Thank you to all the families who donated!



**VILLA PARK
ELEMENTARY**

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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