



Vernon IB World School

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The Owl Post

Vernon's Weekly Newsletter

Friday, February 5, 2021



Upcoming Events and Calendar Dates

Monday, February 8th

- Families of Black Students Meeting 6:00pm
<https://meet.google.com/kto-oagv-kmy>

Wednesday, February 10th

- BookBag pick-up 12:00-4:00 ~ last names H-N
Side door near the Vernon Garden

Friday, February 12th

- Principal's Virtual Coffee Hour 10:00AM
meet.google.com/vnq-aouk-vpp
phone number: 612-404-0718. PIN: 375 579 737#

Monday, February 15th

- President's Day - NO SCHOOL

Thursday, February 18th

- Vernon Virtual PTA Meeting 5:45-7:30pm
Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82214143120?pwd=NTA5QW9QU0hLNipWODJEBFNDZWNYUT09>
Meeting ID: 822 1414 3120 Passcode: uZqq0x
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PPS FACILITIES DIALOGUE SESSIONS

Portland Public Schools is currently developing a Long-Range Facility Plan that will align the District's educational vision with future capital planning. This work is an opportunity to institute lasting change in our schools by re-envisioning teaching and learning environments.

The foundation of this process will be our community's perception of the built environments and lived experiences. The district seeks to engage stakeholders from diverse racial/ethnic backgrounds in meaningful conversations about socio-spatial perceptions. These reflections and stories will shape the Long Range Facility Plan.

If you are a student, teacher, or community member interested in participating in a dialogue session and/or scheduling a class discussion, please visit pps.net/lrfp to register. We look forward to talking with you soon!

WHAT DOES RACE HAVE TO DO WITH THE DESIGN OF PLACE AND SPACE?

What could racial equity and social justice look like if halls and walls could talk?
HAVE YOUR VOICE HEARD! JOIN US FOR A CRITICAL RACE SPATIAL DISCUSSION.

BIPOC Student Dialogue Sessions:

February 4, 4:00 pm
February 11, 3:30 pm

All Student Dialogue Sessions:

February 8, 3:30 pm
February 13, 1:00 pm

BIPOC Teacher Dialogue Sessions:

February 1, 4:00 pm
February 9, 4:00 pm

All Teacher Dialogue Sessions:

February 3, 3:30 pm

BIPOC Parents & Families Dialogue Sessions:

February 2, 6:00 pm

All Parents & Families Dialogue Sessions:

February 3, 6:00 pm

Community Partner Dialogue Sessions:

January 27, 10:00 am
January 29, 3:30 pm

To sign up visit:
pps.net/lrfp



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Counselor Corner

[Counselor Website](#)



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“Change will not come if we wait for some other person or some other time. We are the ones we’ve been waiting for. We are the change that we seek.” — President Barack Obama

To celebrate and honor our Black Indigenous and Peoples of Color (BIPOC) we begin by sharing this resource and drawing awareness and gratitude to the work being done by so many and more all the time. This movement is an extraordinary shift in mainstream understanding of the engine of history and the future of hope for all peoples in our country.

[Black Indigenous and Peoples of Color Project](#)

Over the last three years, we have [seen the powerful impact](#) of the [Black Lives Matter at School Week of Action](#) locally and nationally.

The Black Lives Matter at School Week of Action and [Year of Purpose](#) campaign promotes a set of national demands based in the Black Lives Matter movements [13 guiding principles](#) that focus on improving the school experience for students of color.

We share below resources to help communities prepare to engage children in the week of action and the year of purpose.

[Black Lives Matter Booklists](#)



Contact Information:

Ms. Hanna (K-3): hallen@pps.net
[Appointment Request](#) (971) 378-0424

Ms. Shannon (4-8): snicolas@pps.net
[Appointment Request](#) (503) 308-9546

Ms. Hanna's Office Hours

KG- 3rd Grades: **Tuesdays 8-8:30am**
Thursdays 1:30-2:30pm
[counselorhannaofficehours](#)

Ms. Shannon's Support Times

4th & 5th: **Mondays 1:30-2pm**
[msshannonoffice4-5](#)

Weekly Mindfulness with Ms. Hanna

Tuesdays 8:30am & Thursdays 2:30pm
[Weekly Mindfulness](#)

“Struggle is Real” MYP Study Support:
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays at 2-3pm
[vernonsupport](#)

Social Emotional Learning Journal

Pick up your K-5 Journal with you library books on Wednesdays at Vernon. Extra guidance can be found on our [Counselors Website](#)

Wings of Freedom (QSA)

Wings is a student-run group that unites LGBTQIA+ and allied youth to build community and organize around issues impacting them in their schools and communities.

3-5 Wings of Freedom: Wednesdays @ 3:15-3:45pm code: [wings3-5](#)

6-8 Wings of Freedom: Fridays @ 11:45-12:15 code: [vernonwings](#)

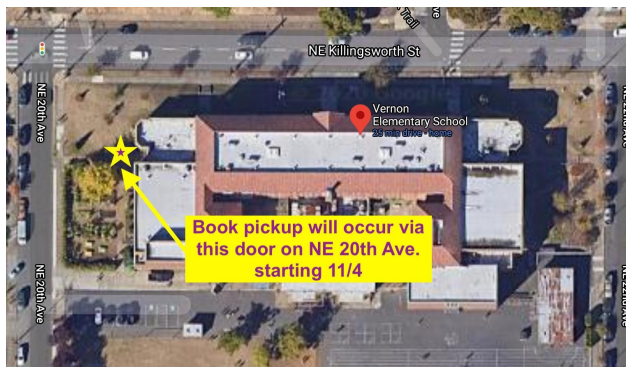
Vernon Library Updates

Friday, February 5, 2021



Let's Get Reading! Update

Let's Get Reading! book bag distribution is still happening on Wednesdays! Please see the attached calendar for current pick up dates. As a reminder, distribution continues from the door at the northwest corner of our school building. When you arrive at the school, please remember to wear a face covering and maintain physical distancing.



Elementary Library Course Grading

When you receive your child's report card in the coming week, you may notice a new addition of a section devoted to some new library skill indicators. Starting in the third quarter, elementary students will begin receiving a more formal grade related to the "uses a variety of resources and tools to research, solve problems, and make connections." Additional information about grading criteria will be shared in coming weeks via Seesaw - please stay tuned.

PLEASE NOTE



Participation in our asynchronous library activities continues to be a required expectation this school year. Please note that students must complete and submit a

minimum of four of the nine weekly library activities in order to receive a grade.

MYP Library Assignments

Regular participation in library activities through the Canvas learning platform continues to be an expectation of all MYP students this year. Please use your time from 9:00-9:30 AM on either Thursday or Friday to engage in class activities and submit the weekly activity log. Students need to complete at least four (4) weekly activity logs to earn a grade of Pass for their library course grade.

Vernon Book Club

We continue to offer weekly book club meetings for each grade level, and all students are welcome to join us at any time. The schedule for our meetings is as follows:

- Grades K-2 - Tuesdays from 2:15-2:45
- Grades 3-5 - Thursdays from 3:30-4:15
- Grades 6-8 - Thursdays from 8:45-9:30

Black History Month

As we celebrate Black History Month, now is a great opportunity to find new resources for outstanding literature by celebrated black authors. In the coming weeks, our library course activities will feature sources and book recommendations of some excellent titles. I encourage parents to check out these resources with their child via their online learning platforms (SeeSaw/Canvas). Many of these books will be fun for the whole family!

We have also included many books featuring black authors and characters within our *Let's Get Reading* book bags. If you've not been by the school to pick up a bag recently, I encourage you to check out the many great options included in the bags. I would love to see you on a Wednesday sometime soon! Please see the library calendar for your assigned pick up day.

Vernon Library Calendar

February 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Feb. 1 Week 18 Library Activities Posted in SeeSaw (K-5) and Canvas (6-8)	2 K-2 Library Office Hours and Book Club 2:15-2:45 PM	3 Reading Bag Pickup Last Names A-G 12-4 PM	4 6-8 Book Club from 8:45 - 9:30 6-8 Library Office Hours 1:00-1:30 PM 3-5 Vernon Book Club from 3:30 - 4:15	5 6-8 Library Office Hours 8:45 - 9:00 AM 3-5 Library Office Hours 11-11:30 AM
8 Week 19 Library Activities Posted in SeeSaw (K-5) and Canvas (6-8)	9 K-2 Library Office Hours and Book Club 2:15-2:45 PM	10 Reading Bag Pickup Last Names H-N 12-4 PM	11 6-8 Book Club from 8:45 - 9:30 6-8 Library Office Hours 1:00-1:30 PM 3-5 Vernon Book Club from 3:30 - 4:15	12 6-8 Library Office Hours 8:45 - 9:00 AM 3-5 Library Office Hours 11-11:30 AM
15 President's Day No School for students	16 Week 20 Library Activities Posted in SeeSaw (K-5) and Canvas (6-8) K-2 Library Office Hours and Book Club 2:15-2:45 PM	17 Reading Bag Pickup Last Names O-Z 12-4PM	18 6-8 Book Club from 8:45 - 9:30 6-8 Library Office Hours 1:00-1:30 PM 3-5 Book Club from 3:30 - 4:15	19 6-8 Library Office Hours 8:45 - 9:00 AM 3-5 Library Office Hours 11-11:30 AM
22 Week 21 Library Activities Posted in SeeSaw (K-5) and Canvas (6-8)	23 K-2 Library Office Hours and Book Club 2:15-2:45 PM	24 Reading Bag Pickup Last Names A-G 12-4PM	25 6-8 Book Club from 8:45 - 9:30 6-8 Library Office Hours 1:00-1:30 PM 3-5 Book Club from 3:30 - 4:15	26 6-8 Library Office Hours 8:45 - 9:00 AM 3-5 Library Office Hours 11-11:30 AM

Office Hour & Book Club Links

K-2 Office Hours and Book Club Link: meet.google.com/lookup/wilkinsK-2

3-5 Office Hours and Book Club Link: meet.google.com/lookup/wilkins3-5

6-8 Office Hours and Book Club Link: meet.google.com/lookup/wilkins6-8

Vernon Students of the Month

Congratulations to the students of the month for January who were chosen by their teachers for exhibiting the IB Learner Profile of being Open Minded. Open minded Vernon students critically appreciate their own cultures and personal histories, as well as the values and traditions of others. They seek and evaluate a range of points of view, and they are willing to grow from the experience. Please [enjoy this video](#) honoring these students. Well done Vernon IB Owls!



Kindergarten

Mrs. Rossman: Owen Leonard & Theo Jayne

First Grade

Ms. Gutierrez: Frankie Orzali

Miss Bilter: June Arp-Howard & Grove Toulson

Second Grade

Ms. Mashia: Indigo Viens

Ms. Bruce: Alaiya Drain & Ivadel Wagstaff

Ms. Hanlon: Esther Dorn-Mederios & Zack Reynolds

Ms. Paula (PE): Aaliyah Island

Third Grade

Mrs. Belcher: Jane Sklute & Elwood Love

Mrs. Lee: Amelia Oelrich & Malik Roberson-Cason

Fourth Grade

Ms. Gina: Jordan Davis-Khiev & Samir Niola-Khalil

Mrs. South: Khai Hill, Petey Gonzalez & Mavis Lapour

Ms. Paula (PE): Maianna Lund

Fifth Grade

Mr. Schreib: Mirah Shah & Aeden Shea

Mrs. Wilkins: Daisy Le'Engel

6th Grade

Mr. Massey: Jayden Bell

Mr. White: David Geib & Andrew Whitehorn

Ms. Anna: Samir Channie

7th Grade

Mr. Massey: Arlo Lumb

Mr. Johnson: Arlo Lumb & Ava Reise

Ms. Johnson: Ble'Auja Ross

Mr. Wilson: Lucas Letsom

Mr. Rittman: Hazel Moss

8th Grade

Ms. Johnson: Emilia de la Rosa

Mr. Rittman: Elliot Black