



Upcoming Events and Calendar Dates

Wednesday, February 24th

- BookBag pick-up 12:00-4:00 ~ last names A-G
Side door near the Vernon Garden!

Friday, February 26th

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



MR. RITTMAN PE TEACHER AT VERNON

Mr. Michael Rittman is one of our two new PE teachers at Vernon. He uses his YouTube videos and often times his 'guest' teachers to create fun and entertaining warm-ups for his classes. This month, Mr. Rittman has been recording his warm-ups for virtual PE in various locations around Portland that are tied to Portland Black History. We are linking two of them here. Please warm up with Mr. Rittman while learning about these important and historical locations in Portland.

- ❖ [DAWSON PARK](#)
- ❖ [VANPORT](#)

ATTENDANCE SUCCESS!

Over 400 students at Vernon have been attending school 95% or more since school started in September! Way to go students! We are so proud of you! We know distance learning can be challenging and you've risen to the challenge. Please enjoy this little video with the list of our attendance superstars!



VERNON OWLS!

VERNON PROUD!

VERNON STRONG!

VERNON ATTENDANCE STARS!



Counselor Corner

[Counselor Website](#)

Two Black Poet Heroes

Americanwritersmuseum.org

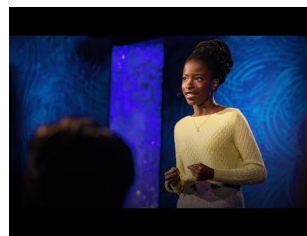
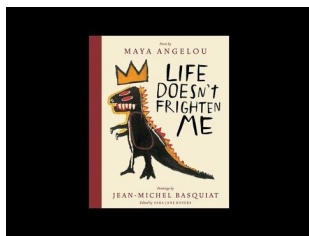
[Dr. Maya Angelou](#)

Quotes

I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.

There is no greater agony than bearing an untold story inside you.

Prejudice is a burden that confuses the past, threatens the future and renders the present inaccessible.



[Amanda Gorman](#)

Quotes

For there is always light if only we're brave enough to see it, if only we're brave enough to be it.

For it's our grief that gives us our gratitude, Shows us how to find hope, if we ever lose it. So ensure that this ache wasn't endured in vain: Do not ignore the pain. Give it purpose. Use it.

Quiet isn't always peace, and the norms and the notions of what just is, isn't always justice.

Contact Information:

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[Appointment Request](#) (503) 308-9546

Ms. Hanna's Office Hours

KG- 3rd Grades: **Tuesdays 8-8:30am**
Thursdays 1:30-2:30pm

[counselorhannaofficehours](#)

Weekly Mindfulness with Ms. Hanna

Tuesdays 8:30am & Thursdays 2:30pm

[Weekly Mindfulness](#)

Ms. Shannon's Support Times

4th & 5th: **Mondays 1:30-2pm**

[msshannonoffice4-5](#)

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

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](#)

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](#)

VERNON PROUD

Art Materials for K-2 and MYP Artists

I have packets of art materials for Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd grade, and Middle School artists! The packet includes supplies that we will use in some of our future projects so please come pick them up this week.

Please email me if I can deliver materials to your artist.
amafchir@pps.net

WHEN:

Monday 22 through Friday 26

10am - 4pm

WHERE:

In the Art Studio- Portable 303

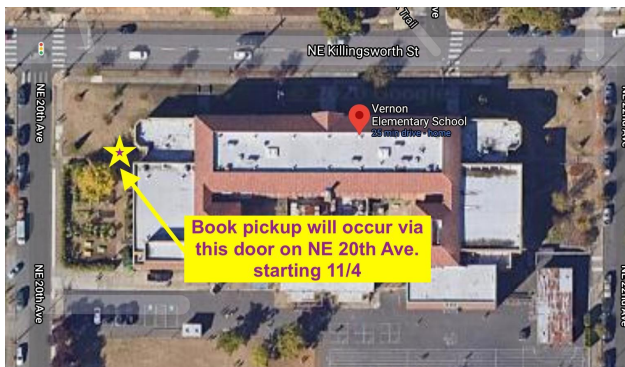
Vernon Library Updates

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