

The Owl Post

Vernon's Weekly Newsletter

Friday, October 11, 2019

Upcoming Events and Important Dates

<u>Saturday, October 12</u>: Garden Work Party – 9:00-12:00

<u>Monday, October 14</u>: Indigenous People's Day Familias of Hispanic Students ~ 5:45 – 7:00pm - Rm 107 Families of Black Students ~ 5:45 – 7:00pm – MPR

<u>Tuesday, October 15</u>: Site Council ~ 5:45-7:00pm - MPR Meeting for Caregivers of NeuroDiverse Students and Students with Diverse Abilities ~ 6:00-7:30pm - Gym

Wednesday, October 16: PTA Meeting ~ 5:45-7:30pm - MPR

<u>Thursday, October 17</u>: Picture Re-Take Day Great Oregon Shake-Out! Earthquake Drill ~ 10:17am

SMART Reading will start at Vernon the week of October 14th. The Vernon program reads on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 - 10:00 in the cafeteria. SMART Reading Volunteer Readers spend an hour each week during the school year reading one-on-one with PreK through second-grade students, modeling and fostering a joy of reading while supporting the child's efforts to read independently.

We are excited to start our SMART program at Vernon next week!

Save the Leap Date!

Night Out for the Owls, our Annual Spring Fundraising Dinner, will be held on Saturday, <u>February 29th, 2020</u>. This is Vernon's highest fundraising event and is critical to maintaining our current programs for music, arts and enrichment. Night Out for Owls is an inclusive, pay what you can, come as you are event that brings our community together to enrich the experience of all Vernon children.

It's a wonderful night for the Vernon Community to come together to celebrate and support our amazing school.

Volunteers are needed on the event team - <u>Sign up here.</u> Check the PTA website for more information and stay tuned for tickets sales to go live in November.







VERNONIB WORLD SCHOOL NEWS FROM THE ART STUDIO 10/10/19



Dear Vernon Families,

It has been about six full weeks of school and we are rearing up to get some beautiful work onto our walls. We have spent the last few weeks learning routines, decorating our sketchbooks and working on developing new ideas for our upcoming projects. (See below for more details.)

The art schedule is similar to last year where students get two 45 minute classes a week for 9 weeks and then switch to music. | have been working with 1st, 3rd and 5th graders for quarter 1. Quarter 2 | will work with Kinders, 2nd and 4th graders and then we will alternate again for 3rd and 4th quarter. | can't wait to meet all the new Kinders!

IMPORTANTDATES

EXCITING NEWS

Bathroom Project: We are in the planning phases of revamping our student bathrooms which means we will be painting them with different [B phrases based off of our school motto.] believe,] belong,] become. We have a great group of parents helping get this project up and running as well as some MYP leaders to make the project come to life. No date is set yet but we will keep you posted on the details.

Legacy Owls: As part of a legacy project established over 7 years or so ago, incoming kindergartners and outgoing 8th graders have painted a cut out owl shape that gets hung on the gates around the perimeter of the school. We are looking forward to hanging two years worth of owls in the next few months.

Extra News: Thank you to everyone who has supported Vernon and our artists by purchasing one of these shirts. Keep your eyes open for another Vernon Inspired shirt at some point soon.





PYP-This quarter we are finding our inspirations from Latina artist Beatriz Milhaze from Brazil. Her bold colors and shapes inspired by nature have guided each PYP project in one way or another.

1 st grade

UNIT: Sharing the Planet

<u>Project</u>: These artists have been exploring getting messy with large collaborative paintings using paint and different tools for texture. They have also been practicing their fine motor skills by cutting and tracing larger and smaller shapes to create a big flower. They are focusing on making <u>symmetrical</u> flowers with cut up shapes.



3rd grade UNIT: How We Express Ourselves:

<u>**Project</u></u>: Students made two separate paintings, first using cool and then using warm colors. They explored with different tools to create new textures while the paint was wet. They are currently adding visual <u>texture</u> and <u>pattern</u> in the negative spaces of their cut up background landscape and will incorporate the opposite color flower in the <u>foreground</u>.</u>**







5th grade UNIT: Who We Are

<u>**Project</u>**: Artists have begun their profile silhouette portraits using <u>complementary</u> colors. Students chose the complement of their choice and painted their larger than life portraits. They are currently taking two different <u>values</u> of their cool color choice and layering their portraits with different shapes.</u>



6th grade (JNIT:

<u>**Project:**</u> Students have been learning about drawings on walls. From cave paintings to graffiti we are exploring with new materials and practicing our one point perspective skills.

7th grade UNIT:

<u>**Project:**</u> At this point students have been exploring with gesture drawing and breaking down the proportions of the body into simple shapes. Before we launch into some color theory we will explore with contour drawings.





8th grade UNIT:

<u>**Project:</u>** First students created lovely Wish Flags with wise words of wisdom for all, to be hung in the building soon. They were also each given a bag of materials with the same random objects to create something with. Check out our display cases. We are currently working on a spray paint unit.</u>

VOLUNTEERS

I will be posting a HELP WANTED AD outside of my classroom door. If you notice a time and a task that works for you please fill in the spot and come on in. I am always in need of help around my classroom. I often have pencils that could be sharpened, paintbrushes to put away, paint palettes and bowls to be cleaned. Etc.

Check out the Vernon facebook page as well as ms.annas_artstudio on Instagram for frequent posts. Please contact me with any questions at <u>amafchir@pps.net</u>.! Ms. Anna



Retake Picture Day is Almost Here!



Vernon School

Retake day is quickly approaching. If we did not see you on picture day or you would like a new image, Dorian Studio will be taking pictures on **10/17/2019**. Do not miss out on ordering pictures of your student.

Pre-orders for picture packages may be placed online a **os.mydorian.com** using your school's access key, **SAGWHVBQ**. Online pre-orders using your school's access key are available up to 4 days after retake day. After the 4-day grace period, parents can call customer support at (800) 826-3535 to place an order.

If the Access Key is invalid or results in an error: The original day Access Key has expired or the Access Key was incorrectly typed. Call our Customer Advocate Department at (800) 826-3535.