

## **Vernon IB World School**

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# The Owl Post

### **Vernon's Weekly Newsletter**

Friday, October 21, 2016











#### Join us on Sunday if you can!

This Sunday we'll try to complete the installation of the benches for our newly de-paved tree squares on the playground. Thanks to the all the volunteer work completed already, we should be able to get this done on Sunday. We will once again be the beneficiaries of help from our friends at the Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership, Open Architecture Portland, and Turner Construction. We're going to have lots of fun together!

We'll provide all the tools and safety gear necessary, but if you have a favorite shovel or wheelbarrow, you could bring it with you, if you like. We are looking for some folks who have construction skills or knowledge to help put the benches together and install them. We can use help with digging the holes for the footings, as well, so come and dig or build with us if you can. Our goal will be to finish all of the benches and bench installation.

The event starts at 9:30 am and will go until around 12:30-1:00pm. Please let Ben know if you attend (bkeefer@pps.net).





#### Spirit Day – Costume Day: October 28

Psst, Owls! We're having Costume Day on Friday, October 28! Basic ground rules: leave weapons, masks and bulky props at home. Keep it light and fun (scary stuff scares people, little and big!). Be creative!

#### Run For The Owls donation deadline extended!

The Run for the Owls deadline has been extended to Monday, October 24! Keep those pledges coming! Donors can pay by check or donate online. Please make checks payable to "Vernon School PTA" or donate online at:

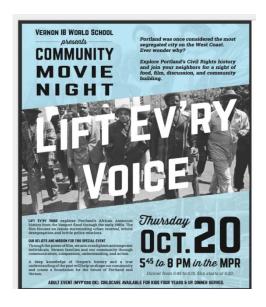
http://www.vernonpta.org/runfortheowls/

The Run For The Owls Awards Assembly will be held on Friday, October 27 in the MPR:

K-2 at 9:30-9:50

3-5 at 9:00-9:20

6-8 at 10:00-10:20







#### **Community Movie Night a Success!**

Thanks to all the community members, parents, and staff that attended our first Community Movie Night last night. We watched "Lift Ev'ry Voice," a film that explores Portland's African American history with a focus on the turbulent 1960s, '70s and early '80s. We value this important local history as it helps us to better understand the present and prepare for a more inclusive, equitable future. Participants got a chance to connect over dinner, watch 2 film segments, and participate in small group discussions around social change and social justice here in the Vernon Community. This is important work, and we truly appreciate those that are part of our great community. Save the date for the next Community Movie Night: January 19, 2017.

#### Become a SMART Volunteer!

Become a SMART Program reader! SMART (Start Making A Reader Today) engages the community in creating brighter futures for Oregon children by nurturing the love of reading. To do this, we need your help. Reading is fun! SMART volunteers spend time reading with children and acting as a positive adult mentors. All volunteers receive training and ongoing coaching. The volunteer commitment is just one hour a week during the school year, Tuesdays from 1:10pm to 2:10pm. To meet our goal of serving 40 children at Vernon each year, we need more volunteer readers. Help us reach our goal! Learn more about SMART and sign up: Online at <a href="www.getsmartoregon.org">www.getsmartoregon.org</a> Call SMART at 971-634-1609 or contact the Vernon SMART Site Coordinator, Devani Scheidler, at vernon@getsmartoregon.org. Join us and make this SMART's best year yet!

#### <u>Vernon 2nd Annual Maker Fair - December 3 2016</u> <u>Makers, Crafters & Artists Wanted!</u>

Featuring handcrafted items made by your community members!

Vernon students, teachers, staff and family members are invited to sell their wares at the show. Start working on your inventory now! If you would like to be a vendor, please submit the registration form to the main office by November 18 or email it to <a href="mailto:janetlstrong@gmail.com">janetlstrong@gmail.com</a>. Paper <a href="mailto:registration forms">registration forms</a> & <a href="mailto:information flyers">information flyers</a> will be sent home in backpacks next week. Questions: Please contact Janet Strong via email at <a href="mailto:janetlstrong@gmail.com">janetlstrong@gmail.com</a>.

What do YOU make?



Picture Retake Day	Thursday, October 27	8:30 – 12:00pm - MPR
Starbase Field Trip #2 – 5 <sup>th</sup> graders	Thursday, October 27	8:50-2:20pm
8 <sup>th</sup> grade field trip to Jefferson HS	Thursday, October 27	11:00-1:00pm
Bagels with Ben & Brad	Date to be Re-scheduled	8:45-9:45am - MPR
Outdoor School – Camps Howard & Angelos	Sunday, October 30	Buses depart from Vernon at 3pm



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#### Student Health & Wellness Update

Vernon's new Health Aide is Allison Hatch, and she will be attending to student first aid and administering medications everyday from 8:30-2:30pm.

Vernon's School Nurse is Lindsey Caudle RN, and 2016-17 will be her first year at Vernon. She's in the Office one morning per week (Thursday).

Vernon School takes its commitment to good health very seriously. Please contact the School Office for any additional information.

#### Free Children's Dental Clinic

Creston Children's Dental Clinic offers free complete dental care for kids in Kindergarten through 12th grade.

To qualify, you must:

- Be currently enrolled in a Portland Public School
- Qualify for free/reduced lunch
- Be uninsured or insured through a participating Oregon health plan dental care provider.

503-916-5808 or www.crestondental.org

#### Head Lice 101: What you need to know.

Head lice are a common community problem. An estimated 6 to 12 million infestations occur each year in the United States, most commonly among children ages 3 to 11 years old. Children attending preschool or elementary school, and those who live with them, are the most commonly affected. Head lice are not dangerous and they do not transmit disease, but they do spread easily, making it a community issue. Additionally, despite what you might have heard, head lice often infest people with good hygiene and grooming habits.2,3 Your family, friends or community may experience head lice. It's important to know some basics, including how to recognize symptoms and what to do if faced with an infestation.

Please see below for more information and contact the Office with any questions.

Head Lice Info (English)
Información básica sobre piojos (Espanol)

# Please support our fundraiser!

### **VERNON IB WORLD SCHOOL**

is fundraising with Chinook Book.

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