



# Vernon IB World School

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# The Owl Post

## Vernon's Weekly Newsletter

Thursday, October 6, 2016



### ***Run For The Owls was a big hit!!***

The kids ran hard today and helped make Run For The Owls a huge success! Extra thanks to all the wonderful parent volunteers who helped make today possible. Please congratulate your kiddo and note that donations are still being accepted. 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/>

### **Thanks and Go Owls!**

Extra thanks to our PTA Owl President, Lisa Hatten!



### ***STEAM Night Packs the House!***

13 foot pythons, baby alligators, worms, OMSI, bike-powered energy, inquiry, Art, you know... just another Vernon STEAM Night! Thanks to all the students and parents who joined us for an amazing night of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math! An extra thanks to parent lead, Jen Hulford-Odell, for her inspiring leadership!

### ***Join us for the next PTA Meeting:***

***Wednesday, October 12, 5:30pm***

*Agenda items include:*

- Volunteer Fair - Committee Highlights
- Run for the Owls update
- Treasurers Report
- Proposal to expand our garden education
- Vernon Technology - new computers for kids
- Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion - Introducing new committee chair
- Helping Hands – new committee to support families
- Teacher Spotlight – Art & Music Teachers, Anna Mafchir's and Martha Bryan's musical plans
- Ben & Brad - Vernon Updates





**A Note from Ms. Bryan – Vernon’s Music Teacher**

Hello, Vernon Community! I’m thrilled to have the opportunity to share my love and passion for music and the arts with you all. In Music, we focus on aspects of voice, percussion, marimba, music appreciation, band, performance, and more. We will also be continuing the morning choir program for grades 3-8 and adding a new SUN School choir on Thursday afternoons. Morning Choir will be held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings starting on October 4 from 7:45-8:30 am. Spread the word! Choral singers who wish to eat breakfast at school will be released at 8:15 am.

If you’d like more information about the Music program or Choir, please feel free to email me at [mbryan@pps.net](mailto:mbryan@pps.net), or stop by room 304.

**Book Fair ends tomorrow**



Tomorrow is the last day of the Book Fair in the MPR. We are also still collecting books for the Children's Book Bank, who is partnering with PPS to provide books to children who do not have access to books. Please bring any new and used children's books to the office from Monday, October 3 - Thursday, November 10. If you have any further questions, please email the school Librarian at [jwilkins@pps.net](mailto:jwilkins@pps.net). Also, please no encyclopedias, magazines, National Geographics. Thanks!



**TAG Family Night @ OMSI: Monday October 10**

October 10 will be the first TAG Family Night in Partnership with OMSI! Free entrance and free parking in OMSI Lots. Open to all TAG students and their families. No ID required. 6PM-8PM - Monday Oct. 10.

**Vernon 2nd Annual Maker Fair - December 3 2016**

***Makers, Crafters & Artists Wanted!***

Featuring handcrafted items made by your community members!

*\* Door Prizes \* Food & Drink \* Music \* Activities for kids \**

Vernon students, teachers, staff and family members are invited to sell their wares at the show. Start working on your inventory now! Fair details and vendor registration forms will be sent home in October. Please contact Janet Strong at [janetstrong@gmail.com](mailto:janetstrong@gmail.com) with questions. **What do YOU make?**



Site Council	Monday, Oct. 10	5:45-7:00pm (MPR)
TAG Night @ OMSI	Monday, Oct. 10	6:00-8:00pm (OMSI)
PTA Meeting	Wednesday, Oct. 12	5:30-7:30 (MPR)
No School (Statewide Inservice Day)	Friday, Oct. 14	All Day
1 <sup>st</sup> Day of SMART Program	Tuesday, Oct. 18	1:00-2:30pm
Late-Start	Wednesday, Oct. 19	MYP Bell: 10:30, PYP Bell: 10:35
Community Movie Night & Dinner	Thursday, Oct. 20	6:00-8:00pm (MPR)



# **Vernon's Families of Black Students' Meeting**



*Facilitated by*  
Andrea Wade, School-Family Partnerships Coordinator

## **Please join us for an evening of fellowship!**



**A family discussion on how we can best work to support Black students' academic success.**

**Child care and dinner will be provided.**

**Portland Public Schools is an equal opportunity educator and employer.**



Tuesday, October 11, 2016  
5:30-7:30pm  
Vernon Multi-Purpose Room  
2044 NE Killingsworth



# PARENTS AS TEACHERS

## From the beginning all parents are teachers...

This program is designed to provide parents/caregivers with information and assistance to enhance their child's cognitive, social, emotional, and physical development from birth through three years old.

### Program includes:

Home visits  
(Visits are flexible and may be done in community/  
outside of home)

Monthly meet-ups/play groups

Developmental screenings

Connections to NAYA services and community  
resources

Culturally specific components and approaches



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### Simple requirements:

Be the parent or caregiver of a child  
less than three years of age  
OR be in need of prenatal support

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT PAT PROGRAM STAFF

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# *Chixi San Parent and Child Playgroup*



**Thursdays 10 am - 12 pm**

**NAYA Family Center, Room 201**

**5135 NE Columbia Blvd**

**Portland, OR 97218**

*An opportunity to engage in intentional playtime with your child focused on early childhood development, connect with other families, enjoy a healthy snack and access resources available through NAYA*

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