



Vernon IB World School

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The Owl Post

Vernon's Weekly Newsletter

Thursday, November 3, 2016



An Update from Camp Howard – from Ms. Black

Our Vernon 6th graders are having a fabulous time at Camp Howard this week! So far, the students have been engaging in many hands-on science topics such as water, soil, plants, and animals. Each day, we have been exploring the forest through field studies and hikes along the Bull Run River. Each night, we end with a warm camp fire and sing a few songs together before bedtime. We are so excited to share our learning with the Vernon community when we return on Friday afternoon. Until then, adios from Camp Howard!



An Update from Camp Angelos – from Ms. Wicker

It's been an outstanding week so far at Camp Angelos. Sixth grade students are having a fantastic time learning about Soil, Plants, Animals and Water on the banks of the Sandy River. Yesterday, we had a harvest festival, and the staff transformed our dining hall into Hogwarts for the night! We are settling into the rituals and routines - from raising the flag to skits at the campfire. Every student is out here living and growing in the IB Learner Profile (especially as Risk-takers!).



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Run For The Owls '16

Thank You, Vernon Community!



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Check out the amazing Run For The Owls photos from

Rochford  Studios

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Vernon PTA

Go Owls!





Butternut Squash Soup!

Mrs. Parsons' ESL classes continued their exploration and studies on Fall vegetables. After weeding and preparing the garden beds in the Spring by adding vermicompost (Latin for worms) and planting butternut squash seeds, we enjoyed the fruits of our labor. The classes harvested the squash, and made butternut squash soup with kale ,thyme and pear, all from our own Vernon Garden. The third grade students recorded our soup recipe and have made it available to families. If you want a copy, stop by Room #106. It is amazing, truly!

SUN School Updates

Our Thanksgiving Food Drive begins on Monday, Nov. 7. Our goal is to serve 20 families this year (hopefully more). We could really use your support. Please bring donations to your class room, and SUN will collect them daily. The class that brings the most items will earn a Pizza/Ice cream party!!!!

Beginning Monday, November 7, we are offering a new SUN class for grades 3-8: "Cards 'n Clay." It's two crafts in one class! See what you can do with some paper, ink, polymer clay, and a few extra things. For gift-giving and Vernon Maker's Fair. Learn different ways to manipulate clay into miniature pieces. Draw art to be made into greeting cards. Mondays from 3:20-5:20. Please get a registration form from the SUN office! Thank you!

Michelle Tellis - 503.916.6559



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! If you would like to be a vendor, **please submit the registration form to the Main Office before November 18** or email it to janetlstrong@gmail.com. Paper registration forms & information flyers are available in the Office. Please contact Janet Strong with questions. **What do YOU make?**



<i>Teacher Planning Day</i>	<i>Friday, November 4</i>	<i>No School</i>
<i>Outdoor School campers return</i>	<i>Friday, November 4</i>	<i>1:35pm (approx.) – west side</i>
<i>Vernon Food Drive</i>	<i>Nov. 7 – Nov. 22</i>	<i>All School Drive</i>
<i>Parent/Teacher Conferences</i>	<i>Wednesday, Nov. 9</i>	<i>8:30am – 8:00pm</i>
<i>Parent/Teacher Conferences</i>	<i>Thursday, Nov. 10</i>	<i>8:30am – 8:00pm</i>
<i>Veterans' Day</i>	<i>Friday, Nov. 11</i>	<i>No School</i>

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of Vernon Students

El 15 de noviembre tendremos nuestra junta de FAMILIAS
November 15th is FAMILIAS night

Vengan con nosotros para una tarde de comunidad y conversación sobre lo que podemos hacer para apoyar a nuestros estudiantes en la escuela.

Habr  cena y servicios de cuida inos.

Join us for an evening of community and conversation on how we can best support our Latino/Hispanic students' academic success.

Dinner and childcare will be provided.

Cuando/when: November 15th, 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Donde/where: MPR at Vernon School

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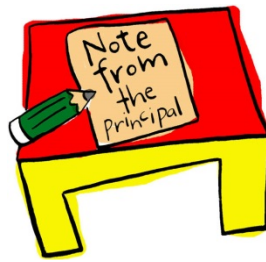
Hope to see you there!



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Dear Vernon Community,

Parent teacher conferences are next week! You should either have received a notice with your scheduled time for your conference, or set up a time with your classroom teacher. Please call the Office if you have not scheduled your conference time as of yet.

Conferences will be held on November 9, and November 10. There is no school on November 11.

Conferences provide parents and teachers a wonderful chance to sit down and have a discussion about the current performance and needs of each child. At this meeting you will hear from the teacher how your child is doing in the academic areas of math, reading, writing, as well as other curricular areas. You will likely hear your student's areas of strength as well as areas that need continued work or improved effort.

This is a great time for you to ask questions and to work with the teacher to determine how you can support your child's schooling at home. It is also a great time to ask questions about how your child's needs are being met in terms of being provided sufficiently challenging materials, or necessary scaffolds to ensure success. It is imperative that both parent and teacher take the time to ask questions.

Once you have had the conference, don't forget to discuss the conference with your child. Pass on the positive information first. Be specific about the areas where your child is doing well. If there is a problem area, put it in the context of all the positive aspects of your child's functioning in school. A great strategy is to let your children know that you and the teacher have worked out a plan to help them improve. It is important to seek your children's input in order to best understand their perception of how things are going and what they think they need to do to improve.

After a plan has been developed, it is important for the parent and teacher to confer again after a reasonable amount of time to measure progress. Keep in mind that changes do not occur overnight. It is wise not to put too much pressure on your child, potentially making the situation worse. This is a great time for parents to make it clear to the child that doing well in school is a family value and that the teacher and parents are working together to help the child succeed. Conferences can be a powerful tool and a bridge between school and home. I hope that your experience with conferences is a productive one.



Regards,
Ben Keefer



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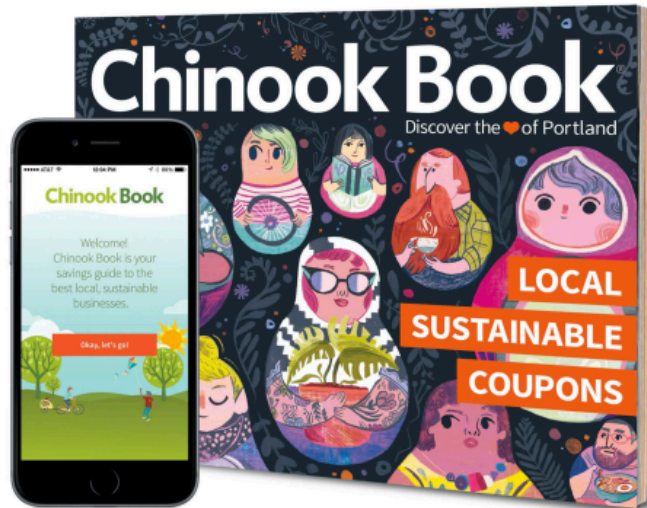


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Combo	\$30	\$15	⦿ For more info, contact Dan Langlie, dmlanglie@gmail.com , 503-975-8224

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