



# Vernon IB World School

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## The Owl Post

Vernon's Weekly Newsletter

Thursday, March 2, 2017



Vernon IBWorldSchool Vernon, BC Feb 28  
1st graders helping plant our new trees on the backlot today! Thanks again to all the volunteers who helped make this happen! #DailyHootOut



### #DailyHootOut: on Twitter and the School Website

Every day we will be tweeting out positive stories, learning victories, student/staff successes, and anything else good on our school's Twitter account (@Vernon\_IB). This will automatically embed on our school website for people to see and follow as well. Check it out!

### Join us for Bagels with Ben & Brad tomorrow @ 8:45am in the MPR

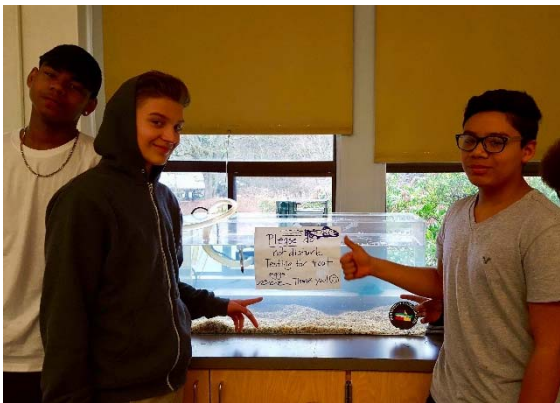
Our Bagels session this week will be centered around a conversation about the Vernon program, what is working for folks, and how folks see us taking steps to reach the next level of Vernon Owl amazing. We will use this information, as well as information gathered from other parents, staff, and students to help make sure our program is what we want it to be next year. We look forward to an engaging conversation about what we can do more of, better, or tweak to be the best school we can be.



### 8<sup>th</sup> Graders Take Lead on MYP Science Trout Project!

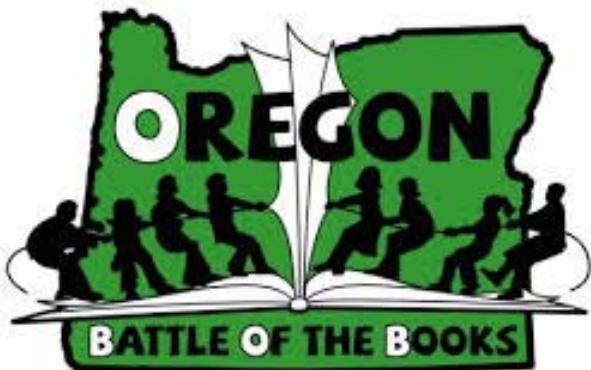
Written by: Leo Johnson (8<sup>th</sup> grade), assisted by DeOntae Johnson, Michael James, and Jake Hayes.

The incubation project is called STEP (Salmon-Trout Enhancement Project), and our job is to observe and write down daily progress reports about the mortality rate, water temperature, and water pH. As a class, we experience a trout's life cycle from an egg to a tiny little fish called a fry. When they get to be tiny fish, we release them into a local lake or river. Then we will return the data and the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Department will see how well the fish did.



### Tonight at Vernon! Oregon Battle of the Books (OBOB) School Championships

Students read a series of 16 books, form teams, and battle each other on their knowledge of the books! This year, we had five teams participate at the elementary level and three teams participate at the middle school level.



The two teams who have cumulatively scored the highest in each division (elementary and middle school) will compete in an evening event tonight, Thursday, March 2 for a chance to advance to the regional competition later in March. Families and students are invited to join us in the Vernon Library for an evening to celebrate the hard work of our amazing readers. Elementary battles will begin at 5:30pm, followed by middle school battles at 6:30pm. Should you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Wilkins at [jwilkins@pps.net](mailto:jwilkins@pps.net). We hope to see you there!



**Vernon Career Day: April 6**

This year, Vernon’s Career Day will be on April 6. We are looking for a diverse group of volunteers from various cultural backgrounds, career fields, and education levels and those who enjoy working with kids! If you are interested or know of someone who would be interested, please fill out the google form or contact April Mears at [amears@pps.net](mailto:amears@pps.net). Thank you.

Form: <https://goo.gl/forms/3H8rNR7PkMzvNOef1>

**Garden Work Party: Saturday March 11 from 9am - 12pm**

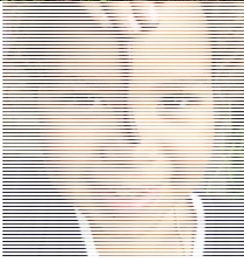


Hope you can come for our March Garden Work Party-Spring Garden “Wakeup” on Saturday March 11 from 9am-12pm!

Our goals for the work party are:

- \* Moving 5 yards of compost from the parking lot to the garden beds
- \* Weeding the garden beds and spreading mulch on the pathways
- \* Removing blackberry's from behind the portables
- \* Seeding demonstration - learn how to broadcast seed lettuce and plant lettuce starts

Free seeds of early spring seeds will be available to take home! Bring a few 5 gallon buckets and go home with compost! And as always - tools, gloves and donut holes provided!



**2017 Vernon Auction! Save the Date: April 22**



The 2017 Auction Committee is recruiting volunteers to lead your child’s classroom art project. Please message me if you are willing to help! Our Vernon Owls need you!

**IMPORTANT DATES**

- Auction Art Projects Brainstorm and Info Meeting: February 16
- Art Auction Preview: tentatively scheduled for March 24
- 2017 Auction: April 22

Please contact Emily Nemesi [emilynem@gmail.com](mailto:emilynem@gmail.com)

**SUN Registration**

SUN Spring Term Registration  
 Monday, March 13 @6pm in the MPR.  
 Registration forms will go home Friday, March 10.

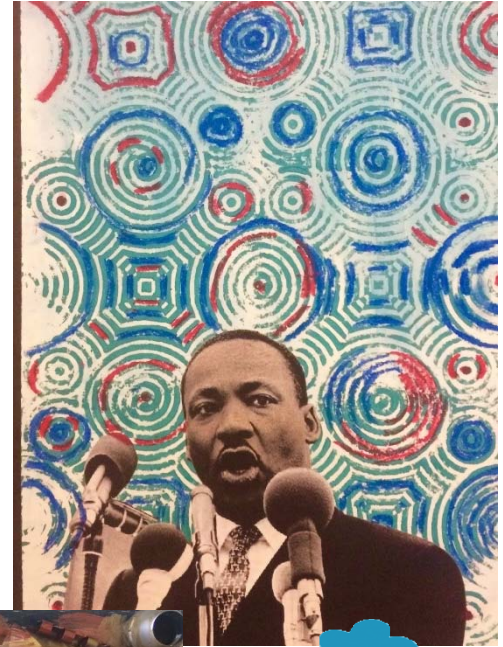
Please contact Michelle Tellis with any questions. 503.916.6559 - [michellet@selfenhancement.org](mailto:michellet@selfenhancement.org)



Dear Vernon Families,

Students have been busy creating some beautiful work this year, and some of it is displayed throughout the school. Take a gallery walk through our halls to view Vernon artists' amazing work. The walls of the MPR will be covered with works inspired by two contemporary African-American artists and images inspired by symbols and cultural events from Africa. Your artists are truly amazing, and it is an honor to work with and learn from them everyday!

Ms. Anna





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## Congrats to our 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Compliments Raffle winners!

### Congrats to our winners!

**Extra P.E. class:** George Davidson (K-2), Shakia Stanciell (3-5)

**Bracelet Delivery Assistant:** Mavis Lapour (K-2), Syniah Bruce (3-5)

**Lunch with Admin:** Dante Perkins (K-2), Julia Rotherham (3-5)

**Throw a Pie @ a Teacher!:** Beatrix Heller (K-2 for Mr. Wilson), Sam Florez (3-5 for Mrs. Nehring)



**Students were also able to use Compliments to enter raffles to win Timbers tickets for their family!**

- Pictured: 5<sup>th</sup> grader Staley Riley, 5th grade Ally Hatten, and Kindergartener Trucee Reeverts-Gann and family!



Bagels with Ben and Brad	Friday, March 3	8:45-9:45am - MPR
Bridges field trip – Markewitz’s class	Friday, March 3	9:00-2:45pm - TriMet
Winter Term SUN School ends	Thursday, March 9	--
Garden Work Party	Saturday, March 11	9:00-12:00pm - Garden
SUN School registration (Spring term)	Monday, March 13	6:00pm - MPR

# Vernon School Food Boxes

Vernon SUN School will be creating food boxes for families to be able to create a delicious meal at home. In each of these food boxes families will receive the following types of foods:

- Dry goods
- Canned goods
- Fresh vegetables



Along with these products each food box will contain 3 different recipes that can easily be made with the products in the food boxes. The food boxes are open to ALL families at Vernon in need of extra food resources. Food boxes will be available for pick-up March 16th at 3 pm in the school cafeteria, or can be sent home in your child's backpack. If you would like to receive a food box please fill out the application form below by either emailing it to [mendezfm@oregonstate.edu](mailto:mendezfm@oregonstate.edu) or by filling out a form in the office. Please have the form completed and returned by March 10th.

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## Application for Vernon School's Food Box

All Vernon families in need of extra of food resources can apply for a food box. If you would like to receive a food please complete the form by emailing the following information to [mendezfm@oregonstate.edu](mailto:mendezfm@oregonstate.edu) or fill out a flyer that is located in the office.. Please have the form completed and returned by March 10th.

### Family Information (*this form will be kept confidential*)

Parent Name: First \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Vernon Student Name: First \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street (Apt #) City State Zip code

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnicity:  African-American  Asian  Caucasian  Hispanic  Native American  Other

Primary Language Spoken: \_\_\_\_\_

Food will be (Check one) :  Picked-up  Sent home with student

**Food Boxes will be available for pick-up on March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 3pm in the school cafeteria or it can be sent home with the student in their backpacks**



# Upcoming Vernon Garden Parties



*Note from Ms. Lyndsey McKenzie – Vernon Garden Educator Extraordinaire!*

- **Saturday March 11 (9am-12pm)** - Spring Work Party. Hoping this can be a big one. I am going to order compost and will need a crew to haul loads of compost to garden beds. Also, I'd love to remove the blackberries from the behind the Music/Art portables so that we can complete our "Backyard Habitat Certification."
- **Saturday April 15 (9am-12pm)** - Earth Day Celebration - We'll plan on handing out seeds, doing planting demos for families, and having games for kids. Will also be weeding and spreading bark chips on pathways
- **Saturday May 13 (9am-12pm)** - Major weeding and mulching projects to be done!
- **Saturday June 10 (9am-2pm)** - Last work party of the year and 10 year Garden Anniversary Party. This is the biggest garden event of the year! We'd like to invite folks to work from 9am-12pm. This may include installing any new garden features that are in the works via Lisa Parson's and my project with the Growing Garden's PLC and potentially installing the kiosk designed by Lucas Gray. From 12pm -2pm, I would like to invite folks to stay for our 10 year anniversary party. I will provide food and drinks for the event!

