

# **The Owl Post**

## Vernon's Weekly Newsletter

Friday, September 13, 2019



### Upcoming Events and Important Dates

Saturday, September 14: Garden Work Party, 9:00-12:00

*Monday, September 16*: SUN Family Info Night, 5:30 MPR SUN School Enrollment Week

Tuesday, September 17: Site Council 5:45-7:00 MPR

Monday, September 23: Fall Book Fair Starts in the MPR

Friday, September 27: Principals' Coffee Hour, 9:00-10:00, MPR





## <u>Run for the Owls – October 10 !</u>

Run for the Owls and the annual fundraising dinner raise the majority of the PTA budget. We need everyone to participate, so the PTA can continue to fully fund all the programs and events that make attending Vernon School so special.

This event funds field trips, enrichments, equipment, supplies, programs, and activities for all students. Students ask friends, family, and neighbors to sponsor them for running laps. They can make a pledge per lap or a lump sum. Grown-up family members and teachers are also welcome to participate in the run and even collect pledges.

Students, participating family members, and teachers will complete the run during school hours. Classes will be given 30 minutes to run as many laps as they can around the playground which is about a ¼ mile.

Go Vernon Running Owls!

It's early in the year, but not too early to remind families to mark all coats, lunch boxes and school items with your student's first and last name. There are a few items in the Lost and Found, so if you're missing something, be sure to check out the Lost and Found space opposite the Main Office.

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# Sept ember 23-27, 2019

## NEW Book Fair Hours

- Each Morning 8:15-9:15 AM
- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 3:15-4:15 PM
  - Wednesday 3:15-4:15 & 5:00-7:00 PM
    - Friday 3:15-4:00 PM

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To sign up for a shift, visit the link or

- scan the QR code at right using your
- smart phone's camera app.
- https://bit.ly/2INQleW



#### proceeds from the book fair provide new books



Happy Friday Vernon Community! You know it must be Friday the 13th if your PTA Vice President is writing the weekly newsletter!

Thanks to everyone who made it out to our first PTA meeting! It was a huge success!! What an awesome, powerful way for us to reconnect, make new connections, and start off an amazing year. For those who were not able to attend, we definitely want to see you at the next meeting. Your thoughts and voice matter! Please also check out our Vernon Community Facebook page to view the slide show we presented, and links to our website, minutes, documents, and related info! PTA board member bios are also in the presentation and on our website, so you can learn a bit more about us.

Grab your yard tools and come to the **Garden Work Party this Saturday, September 14 from 9am-12pm!** We are supposed to have bright weather tomorrow, to make our clean up efforts together even more enjoyable! There are many healthy, tasty goodies and exciting learning opportunities for our kids, provided by our master gardener and our garden. This will be a great way to start your weekend!

Sun Family Info Night is Monday, September 16 at 5:30pm in the MPR. You won't want to miss this opportunity to learn about our Sun After School program, and the exciting classes that will be available for your students! Take advantage of being the first to receive the application packet and be able to sign up your kids early.

#### And Now It's Quiz Time!

What's the best way to build our community, enjoy free dinner, AND free child care all while supporting our kids' learning environment?! Sounds like attending the next PTA meeting to me! **Our next PTA meeting of the year, will be October 9 at 5:45-7:30pm in the MPR.** We provide dinner and childcare; all you have to do is show up! Our meeting next month will be more discussion-based, as we look to move our equity, inclusion, and diversity conversations forward this year. We will also have a performance from our very own Vernon Band! PTA meetings are for the entire Vernon community. While membership is encouraged, you don't need to be a PTA member to attend.

It's just about that time for National Hispanic Heritage Month! National Hispanic Heritage Month is observed September 15 to October 15, when we recognize the contributions of Hispanic and Latino Americans to our heritage and culture. Did you know that September 15 was chosen as the starting point for the celebration because it marks the anniversary of independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua? In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16 and September 18. Let the celebrations begin!

Hope you enjoy the beautiful bright full moon tonight. Have a great weekend!

Tiffany Pitre PTA Vice President



"Kids, regardless of race or background, can accomplish anything if we expect great things from them." — Jose Rosario, second grade teacher at Success Academy, Bronx, one of the winners of the 2017 NYC excellence award.