

Vernon IB World School

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The Owl Post

Vernon's Weekly Newsletter

Friday, September 20, 2019



Upcoming Events and Important Dates

Monday, September 23: Fall Book Fair Starts in the MPR First day of Autumn

Wednesday, September 25: Fall Book Fair Evening (5:00-7:00pm)

Thursday, September 26: STEAM NIGHT at Vernon ~ 5:30-7:30pm

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

Wednesday, October 2: LGBTQ Families Meeting ~ 5:30-6:30 Rm 117

Monday, October 7: Fall SUN Classes Begin ~ 5:00-7:00pm

Wednesday, October 9: PTA Meeting ~ 5:45-7:30pm



Run for the Owls – October 10!

Hoot! Hoot! 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 students 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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BOOK FAIR!

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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

- Volunt eer s needed
- 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/2lNQleW



or accede from the book fair provide new books



Save the Leap Date!

Night Out for the Owls, our Annual Spring Fundraising Dinner, will be held on **Saturday**, <u>February 29</u>, <u>2020</u>. That's right. it's a leap day! Let's use the extra day to ensure our kids get a giant leap forward in their education.

Welcome new and returning families. This is Vernon's highest fundraising event and is critical to maintaining our current programs for Music, Arts, and Enrichment. **Night Out for Owls** is an inclusive, pay what you can, come as you are, and support in many ways event that brings our community together to enrich the experience of all Vernon children.

The evening consists of a happy hour, silent bid, games of chance, sign-up events, raffles, class art, dinner, live bidding, and a special appeal. It's a wonderful night for the Vernon Community to come together to celebrate and support our amazing school.

Volunteers are needed on the event team - Sign up here

Whether you have 1 hour or 10 hours to give, we need your involvement for a variety of fun roles and tasks. It's an awesome way to make new friends and support our school. All skills and abilities are welcome. Check the PTA website for more information and stay tuned for tickets sales to go live in November.

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STEAM Night 2019

Students and Families Grades K-8
Please join us for the Vernon PTA STEAM Committee's Annual
STEAM Night

Thursday, September 26 from 5:30 - 7:30

Come get your hands dirty, build stuff and learn cool things about STEAM! The Gym, MPR, hallway, school garden and back playground will be filled with hands-on demonstrations, scientific investigations, activities, experts and displays, all focused on STEAM. Highlights include:

- 1. Will Groulx, Paralympic Gold Medal Athlete: An amazing and inspiring individual, mechanical engineer, and Paralympic athlete who has built his own bicycle and competed in various Paralympic Games. He will have his medals with him. It is AMAZING to see and hold a Gold Medal!
- 2.OMSI Science Festival: 15 tables of hands-on science set up in the Gym to explore!
- **3. Garden Fun with Zoe:** Get your hands dirty in the garden and explore the critters and plants who inhabit Vernon's special habitat.
- 4. Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership and Our Back Playground Bioswale: Wonder what's going on behind the school in the fenced in the area with the piles of dirt? Want to know how Vernon is working toward sustainability goals and getting kids outside to use their local environment as a place for instruction and mindfulness? LCEP will be on hand to describe the project that will be happening at Vernon this year! They will bring a hands-on watershed model, as well, for kids to understand their connection to their local bodies of water.
- **5.Reptiles Reptiles Reptiles! with Steve Lattanzi**: Come to Mr. Johnson's room to join Steve and his scaly creatures. Nothing like holding a 6 foot long python or a small alligator to learn how special these creatures are.
- 6.Ms. Gutierez: Vernon's own amazing 1st grade teacher will host a table with lots of hands-on fun. The topic is a surprise!
- 7. And much more!

We look forward to seeing you there!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jennifer Hulford Odell, Vernon STEAM Committee Chair at jhodell2@yahoo.com

