



Vernon IB World School

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The Owl Post

Vernon's Weekly Newsletter

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Back



Night

Back to School Night is Tonight – be there!

Join us for a fun introduction to the new school year. We will start in the Multi-Purpose Room (MPR) for a whole staff introduction, followed by open times for students and parents to visit the classrooms and teachers. The event will run from 6:00-7:30pm. We will also welcome several school partners including SUN, GEAR UP, YMCA, and Haciendas. We hope to see you there!

Calling all Kindy & First Grade Families

Come eat, play and connect with fellow Vernon K-1st Grade Families at **Alberta Park on Saturday, Sept. 10 from noon-2pm!** The Vernon PTA will provide hotdogs and lemonade. Please bring a potluck side dish to share and a picnic blanket / chairs. *Hope to see you there!! Please RSVP to Janet Strong at janetstrong@gmail.com*



Wednesday, September 14: First PTA Meeting of the Year!

Come learn more about everything Vernon. Join us for an introduction of our amazing new staff, and a message from Ben and Brad (Principal and Assistant Principal) about the past, present, and future of Vernon. The meeting starts @ 5:45 in the MPR and a light dinner will be provided.



Earn your bracelets! Be IB!



We have lots of fun new initiatives this year to help our students grow and develop as IB learners and leaders. One of the more popular is the IB Learner Profile bracelets. Students can earn bracelets for each of the 10 IB Learner Profiles by receiving Compliments or teacher awards. They can also earn bracelets for attendance. All students already received a purple Vernon Owls bracelet with our student mission: IBelieve. IBelong. IBecome, and many have already earned Compliments and are well on their way. This year we will also have quarterly awards ceremonies and Specials (Art, Music, PE, Mandarin, Library) awards. Also ask your kiddo about the Vernon Diner Olympics in the Café. Come grow with us!



SUN School @ Vernon begins Monday, October 3.

Some classes offered this fall are Chess for Success; Bucket Drumming; Hip Hop Dance; Performing Arts; Volleyball; Lego Robotics; AKA Science; Choir; Garden Club; Marine Biology; Digital Photography, and much more!

How to register:

Please come to our SUN Info and Registration Night on Monday, September 12, 6:15pm-7:30pm in the MPR.

Registration forms will be given out on Monday evening. You will learn about what SUN is and how you can be a part of it. Please pick up a 2016/2017 SEI/SUN application from the SUN table on Back To School Night and bring it with you on Monday. Detailed instructions on how to register will be attached to the applications. You can always contact the SUN office with questions at 503.916.6415, option 3 or by email: michellet@selfenhancement.org



6th grader receives handmade gift from Pen Pal in Ghana!

Pictured here is 6th grade student Prayer G. holding a handmade placemat from his pen pal from Ghana! Last year, Prayer and the other students in Mrs. Arnold's 5th grade class exchanged letters with Ghanaian students attending the Ebugonko Basic School. Those at the Yo Ghana! organization travelled to the Ebugonko Basic School this summer and returned with this special gift for Prayer.

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Join us at Vernon School to add some Stormwater Treescaping!

The Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership is partnering with Depave to do some great things for Vernon! On September 24th from 10-1 we will be removing 6 12' by 12' squares of blacktop, with the ultimate goal of planting trees and adding benches for seating. This will help with storm water runoff in addition to improving our school grounds for students, staff, and the greater community.



Volunteers of all ages are welcome! We will be working with Depave who will provide all the necessary tools, safety gear, ice water, snacks and lunch. Orientation starts at 9:45am and we'll be working until around noon – 1pm at the latest.

Due to the physical nature of asphalt removal, volunteers are encouraged to wear long pants and clothing appropriate for tough work. Closed-toe shoes are required to depave – NO EXCEPTIONS.

RSVP or find more info here: <http://depave.org/event/vernon/>

Save the Date: STEAM Night - 9.29.16, 6:00-8:00pm.

Please Save the Date for one of our most active, fun, hands-on family nights of the year! STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) Night brings together a variety of wonderful community partners and presenters ranging from OMSI to Mad Science, and a variety of teacher/parent led activities including Art, robotics and even a little Pokemon Go! Save the date, and we'll see you there!



JOIN THE VERNON SITE COUNCIL FOR A SPECIAL NIGHT OF FILM, COMMUNITY, AND DIALOGUE
WEDNESDAY, MAY 25TH 6:00-7:30PM

Be part of the Change @ Vernon: Join Site Council

The Vernon Site Council is made up of Vernon staff and parents, community members, and staff. The purpose of the Site Council is to make decisions that impact student achievement using our school's Comprehensive Achievement Plan, and to focus and connect our School/Family Partnerships with our Equity work. Last year, our Site Council created and hosted our first-ever Community Movie Night, which was focused around connecting our community with our Equity work through film as a vehicle to understanding historical context through dialogue. Our first meeting is next Monday, September 12 from 5:45-7:00 pm in the Library.



Attention Parents!

Please take a minute to label your child's lunch bag, favorite hoodie, jacket, hats, etc. Our Lost and Found is already accumulating a few items, and we're hoping to keep it to a minimum this year. Thanks in advance!



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