



VALLEY
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Coyote News

From the Principal's Desk

Mrs. Wilber, M. Ed., Principal



Dear Parents,

I hope you have a happy Thanksgiving and enjoy the extra time with your families. I would like to thank the VAPO Council and all of our parents who continue to support our school. Our VAPO Council is quite small this year, so I encourage you to come to a meeting and see where you can lend a hand. Valley Academy is committed to excellence and is proud to be realizing our dreams with the new early childhood/ administration building and gym being constructed this school year. The construction project is on schedule and we cannot wait to move in and share it with you.

One of the reasons why Valley Academy is so successful is because we have all committed to support the school's mission and values that were established many years ago. I am proud to be an administrator here and work with such a caring, quality staff, dedicated parents, and a super group of students.

Thank you again for your commitment to our school. I am truly thankful for the team we have here and the role we all play in it. May you have a restful Thanksgiving break.

Best Wishes,

Mrs. Victoria Wilber, M. Ed.

Upcoming Events

High School Information Night

Thursday, November 3rd Local high schools across the valley are invited to present their schools to our middle school families.

Spirit Day

Friday, November 4th All students in grades K-8 may participate in monthly ice cream and wear a special t-shirt to celebrate Spirit Day.

Early Release/Staff Development

Thursday, November 10th. All students K-8 dismiss at 12:15 p.m. Preschool dismisses at 12:45 p.m. Teachers will participate in a Staff Development in-service.

No School

Friday, November 11th Veterans' Day.

Morning Assembly

Monday, November 14th Outdoor Courts. Students in grades 1-6 are honored for their class achievements.

Progress Reports

Wednesday, November 16th Students' work is assessed and reports are available online.

More Events Listed on Calendar Page



Mrs. Wilber, along with CEO, Ms. Mitchell and her assistant, Mrs. Shumaker, had a first hand look at the progress of our new building. Very impressive!



Portraits of ourselves . . .

If you have a chance, check out the first through eighth grade art students' awesome self-portraits that are going up in the hallway.

Students learned about artists who created self-portraits, especially borrowing some ideas from Rembrandt. They also learned about all that is involved in creating their own marvelous smiling portrait welcoming all to our school.

We are thankful to be one, big, wonderful Valley Academy family!

Club News

Band has a tremendous group of talented musicians. The advanced, intermediate, and beginning bands are hard at work preparing for the December Holiday concert. Please join us next month for our performance, December 8th at 6:30 p.m. in Valley Academy multi-purpose room.

Chorus has a great group of students this year. Choir is preparing for the holiday concert and hope to be asked to go caroling once again this year!

The National Junior Art Honor Society members had a busy and fun kick off! Students elected officers, brainstormed ideas, and began work on their clay art project to benefit others. Families are invited to the annual Induction Ceremony into the National Junior Art Honor Society on Tuesday, December 13th after school in the Art Room. (More information to come.)

Student Council will be hosting the first Movie Night of the year on November 17th at 6:30 p.m. in the M.P.R.. Student Council will be voting on what movie to show soon so make sure your child puts a suggestion in their classroom suggestion box to have their opinion heard! Tickets are \$3.00 for students. This is the price for admission AND a free bag of popcorn! A parent or guardian must accompany children who are in 3rd grade or younger. We hope to see you there!

Yearbook Club is up and running and in full swing! We have a great group of hardworking students this year. They are all being trained to use digital cameras and our online yearbook program. We are looking forward to our best yearbook yet!

Science Club is putting a special emphasis on building and STEM projects this year. Your child can expect to have fun experimenting and building lots of fun projects as well as competing to see whose are the best. A special reminder that on half days and holidays there is no science club.

Science Buddies is off to a great start. The Buddies started off this session by tie-dying t-shirts with Sharpies and alcohol. They are now our personalized smocks to wear while we make scientific messes. It is a lot of fun to watch the kids excitedly put them on every Thursday. So far the Buddies have made some excellent slime and even toothpaste for an elephant. Now all we need is an elephant. And a very large toothbrush! We will keep exploring the wonderful world of science until Winter Break.

Scrabble Club is letter perfect so far this year! The students are coming up with some really interesting words, all legal in the Scrabble Dictionary. They really enjoy getting a small prize for coming up with words that fit the theme of the week.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 ⁵⁷	2 ⁵⁸	3 ⁵⁹	4 ⁶⁰	5
					Spirit Day	
Week 12				High School Information Night 6:30 p.m.		
6	7 ⁶¹	8 ⁶² VAPO Meeting 8:15 a.m.	9 ⁶³	10 ⁶⁴ Early Release 12:15 Dismissal PM Specials Staff Development	11	12
Week 13					No School Veterans' Day	
13	14 ⁶⁵ Morning Assembly 8:15 a.m.	15 ⁶⁶	16 ⁶⁷ Progress Reports available online	17 ⁶⁸ Caught Being Good	18 ⁶⁹	19
Week 14				Student Council Movie Night 6:30 p.m.		
20	21 ⁷⁰	22 ⁷¹	23	24	25	26
			No School Thanksgiving Break			
Week 15						
27	28 ⁷² Morning Assembly 8:15 a.m.	29 ⁷³	30 ⁷⁴			
Week 16						