



# VBCC News



Vienna Baptist Children's Center

October 2016

## Melissa's Note



Dear Parents,

October has arrived!! You can still see a few tears each morning at drop off but they only last a few minutes and we begin to enjoy joining in play. Everyone has started enjoying center time and interacting with different friends. There have been lots of gross motor activities out on the playground and even a few fun indoor days upstairs. Our chapel program has begun and everyone is settling into their classroom routines. The calm of October is here and another fun school year is now in full swing!

I want to remind everyone of our wonderful parent workshop on Positive Discipline that will be at VBCC on October 12<sup>th</sup>. We will have Education Specialist Jacky Howell in the Fellowship Hall on October 12<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30pm. All of our staff are trained in Positive Discipline and we are excited to share this workshop with our parent community. You will learn how Positive Discipline helps your child gain self-control; build meaningful relationships; see the effects of their behavior on others, the environment, and themselves; and develop problem-solving skills to resolve conflicts on their own. You can use the sign-up genius sent to you in our parent blast to let us know you are coming. You are welcome to just show up. We strongly encourage all VBCC families to attend this informative and helpful workshop!

VBCC will again be hosting the special Trunk or Treat event. It will be held on Sunday October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 4:30pm to 6:30pm. VBCC families are cordially invited to attend. You may bring your car and decorate your trunk in the parking lot or you and your children may just go from trunk to trunk. Children should arrive in costume to enjoy the afternoon with their friends. Donations from the event will go towards purchasing Christmas gift cards and items for the DC children served by City Gate. There will be games, food and lots of fun. VBC is also inviting all families to walk as a group in the Town of Vienna Halloween Parade on Wednesday October 26<sup>th</sup>. Families can meet at 6:30pm in the United Bank parking lot at the corner of 374 Maple Ave. and Branch Road. The parade starts at 7:00pm. Look for the VBC/VBCC banner!!

We want to thank our returning cooping families for all their hard work during our first few weeks of school in September! We couldn't do it without you! We are also excited to welcome new families into our classrooms now that our coop training is complete. Please let us know if you have any questions about the coop program.

We hope you all are enjoying the nice fall weather that is maybe here to stay!) We hope you enjoy some wonderful family time of apple picking, pumpkin farms and fall festivals!

Sincerely, Melissa

### VBCC Fall Events

**Fall Festival & Trunk-or-Treat** - Wear your costume for games, prizes, food, and fun on the VBC playground on Sunday, Oct. 23 from 4:30-6:30 pm! Decorate your car and hand out treats to the children for Trunk-or-Treat in the parking lot! Come in costume and enjoy games and food on the playground! Invite your friends, family, and neighbors! Donations will be gladly received at the festival and go towards the VBC youth mission project to purchase items for the DC children served by the City Gate organization. For more information, contact Ginny Richardson in the church office at 703-281-4400 or [ginny@viennabc.org](mailto:ginny@viennabc.org).

**Halloween Parade**—Children and their parents are invited to come and walk with us in the Annual Town of Vienna Halloween Parade on Wednesday, October 26 at 7pm. Children wear costumes - and parents can too! The group will meet up at 6:30pm behind the United Bank (corner of 374 Maple Avenue NE and Branch Road) – look for the VBC and VBCC banner! Contact Ginny Richardson in the church office at 703-281-4400 or [ginny@viennabc.org](mailto:ginny@viennabc.org) for more information on this event.

### **VBCC FALL SCHEDULE**

**Oct. 7 and 10:** School Closed, Fairfax County Teacher Workday and Columbus Day Holiday

**Oct. 12:** Positive Discipline Workshop with Jacky Howell; 6:30-8:30pm at VBCC in the Fellowship Hall. All VBCC families are welcome and encouraged to attend

**Oct. 19 and 20:** Individual Student Picture Day

**Oct. 23:** VBC Trunk or Treat, 4:30pm-6:30pm.

**Oct. 26:** Town of Vienna Halloween Parade, 6:30pm meet time; parade starts at 7:00pm

**Oct. 27 and 28:** Fire Safety Puppet Show and Fire Truck Visit at 10:15

**Nov. 4:** FCPS Early Release; VBCC Closes at 12:30

**Nov. 7 and 8:** School Closed, Fairfax County Teacher Workdays

**Oct. 17–Nov. 18:** VBCC Parent-Teacher Conferences (During School)





### Join Us During Chapel



Parents are always welcome during Chapel time. The Jaguars, Treefrogs, and MWF Owls have Chapel on Wednesdays at 10:10pm. The Boas and Butterflies have Chapel on Wednesdays at 1:00. The Monkeys and TTH Owls have Chapel on Thursdays at 10:10.

### Financial Notes



- Monthly statements will be placed in mail pouches by the end of each month.
- Tuition is due on the 10th, with a 5 day grace period. A Late Fee of \$15 is applied after the 15th and Late Notices will be sent out.
- There is a \$35 Return Check Fee for any checks that are returned to VBCC.
- **Please remember to write your "child's name" on the check memo line if different from person's name writing check.**
- Payment booklets are available in the VBCC main office.
- If you need a statement, it can be emailed to you. Please contact:

Contact: Anne Daniel, Business Manager  
[vbccfinance@vbc-va.org](mailto:vbccfinance@vbc-va.org)  
703-281-2021, ext 113



### Original Artworks Fundraiser



This month all of your children will complete a special art project in class. This art project will be used to help with our Original Art Fundraiser here at school. In the next couple of weeks a sample of your child's art will be sent home from school. The sample artwork will have a link that will show you how your child's art will look on a wide variety of items that can be purchased with his or her art project on it. The items range from mugs, mouse pads, tee shirts, aprons and on and on.

Many have used these items as Christmas presents for their families. We hope that once again you will enjoy the work of your young artists while supporting this VBCC fundraiser.

If you have any questions please contact Bridgette Jreige, the Original Artwork Chair, at [bjreige@gmail.com](mailto:bjreige@gmail.com).

### VBCC Picture Days

October 19 and October 20



Splendid Portraits will be at VBCC on Wednesday, October 19 and Thursday, October 20, to take individual student pictures. There will be multiple packages and backgrounds to choose from. Order forms were placed in students mail pouches. Please turn in your order form and payment to your child's teacher before picture day.

All classes, including Ducklings, will go to their classrooms for drop off at 9:30, just like a regular school day. All classes will go as a group during school with their teachers to have individual pictures taken.

*Sibling photos are taken from 9:00-9:30am and 1:30-2:00pm by appointment. Please leave your sibling picture orders in the main office and let the office know which time you plan to come.*



The Fire Safety Puppet Show and Fire Truck Visit will be on Thursday, October 27th and Friday, October 28th at 10:15.

### COOP

### CORNER



Thank you to our SUPER cooping parents. Coop Tip of the Month: Dress for Success! Come prepared for play in any kind of weather!

Please remember, if you cannot work on your assigned day, it is your responsibility to switch with another parent and inform the office. The VBCC School Roster will be out soon for parents to use for making coop switches. For last minute emergencies, leave a message on 703-281-2021, ext. 112.