



VBCC News



Vienna Baptist Children's Center

November 2022

Melissa's Note



Dear Parents,

We have had an exciting fall here at VBCC! As I visit the classrooms I see lots of learning through play happening about leaves, apples, pumpkins, spiders and bats! Outside, we have enjoyed lots pumpkin art, gourds, some water play, and apple and pumpkin hunts!! It is fun to see the friendships forming as the school year is now in full swing! Teachers have also begun meeting with parents for parent-teacher conferences. Thank you for taking the time to attend. It is an important time to connect with your child's teacher. The Rainforest is finished, the Treehouse has conferences this week, and the Swamp begins next week. Please let me know if you have any questions about your conference.

We are heading into the holiday season which is always busy! Please look at our calendar in this newsletter to make sure you know all of our closing dates for the holidays. Please remember that we have our monthly Scholastic Book Club. Each month you can order books online for your child. There are also book club flyers on the tables near the kitchen and elevator. VBCC uses bonus points earned from each order to obtain books for the school library which all of our classes use. You can order online each month at www.scholastic.com/bookclubs. Please use our class activation code of DX2HW. The code is very important to ensure your order is delivered to VBCC and that we receive the bonus points from your order. This is a great time to purchase holiday books and gifts! Thank you for supporting our monthly book club!

I would like to recommend a fun tradition in the area, which is the 42nd annual Tiny Tots Concert, presented by the James Madison High School Band. The concerts for this year will be held on Thursday, December 1st at 10:00am or a "Jammy Friendly, Wear Your Favorite Holiday PJ's" show on December 1st at 7:00pm. There will also be a performance on Friday, December 2nd at 10:00am. All tickets for groups of 10 or less must be purchased online at james-madison-band.ticketleap.com/jmhs-band-program-2022-tiny-tots-concerts. If you are interested, please purchase tickets early. They do tend to sell out. For more information please email tiny-tots@gmhsband.org.

VBCC is thankful for our wonderful parent community and welcoming all of our students each day!. I wish each of you a Happy Thanksgiving and enjoy your time with family!

Sincerely,

Melissa

Thanksgiving Food Drive

We are having a Thanksgiving Food Drive until November 14th here at VBCC.

The food will be distributed by "The Committee for Helping Others," which serves Vienna, Oakton, Merrifield, and Dunn Loring.

There is a collection box located outside of each classroom. They appreciate all donations but they are most in need of children's snacks, juice boxes, peanut butter, jelly, canned fruit, and spam.

Thank you in advance for supporting our food drive and helping local families in need!

We will also work with VBC for a Christmas mission project to support families in need at Marshall Road ES. More information to come!

VBCC CALENDAR

Oct. 25-Nov. 14: CHO Thanksgiving Food Drive; The due date for collection is **November 14th**.

Nov. 2: Original Art Works Orders **DUE**

Nov. 8 and 11: FCPS Teacher Workdays, No School

Nov. 15 and 16: VBCC in-house field trip with Peter McCorry, The One Man Band from 10:30-11:30.

Nov 23-25: VBCC Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

Dec. 13 and 14: Christmas Sing Along at 12:45pm in the Worship Sanctuary. **All parents are strongly encouraged to attend.**

Dec. 15-Jan. 2: Christmas Break

Jan. 3: School Resumes





Important Reminders:

Please check your child's mail pouch every day for important VBCC information.

Please be sure to inform the office of any change of address, phone numbers and email addresses.

Please make sure to park in a parking space in the main parking lot. The fire lanes in front and to the side of the building should be free from cars at all times. There is no drop off or pick up in that area.

Please label all peanut butter alternatives. We will call if it has no label to make sure it is safe to have at school.

Please bring all birthday treats to the office so we can make sure they are school safe. They must say school safe, be free from nuts, and not processed in a nut factory. They usually carry them at Giant or Whole Foods. We also welcome popsicles for birthday celebrations..

Please do not let children play in the memorial garden located to the left of the front doors. It is a special area for the church.

Seasonal Roots—Virginia's Online Farmers Market!

We are excited for our Seasonal Roots fundraiser! You can support VBCC when you join Seasonal Roots for only \$25 (a 50% savings) using the promo code VBCC. Seasonal Roots will donate \$20 for each family who joins using our promo code. You can also scan the QR code located on the flyer that was placed in your child's mail pouch for visit seasonalroots.com/vbcc. You can order a variety of fruits and vegetables and so much more. Your order will be delivered right to your doorstep! This is an ongoing fundraiser so you can join anytime between now and May 31st. Thank you in advance for your support!



Financial Notes



Please make sure you write your child's name on the check memo line if last name is different from person writing check.

If you are away for one or two weeks, the full monthly tuition amount is still due.

Monthly statements are sent via email each month.

If you are going to be away, please mail your payment to the school: VBCC, 541 Marshall Road, SW, Vienna, VA 22180.

Yearly tax statements will be sent via email in January. Hard copies are available by request.

Contact Anne Daniel or Sarah Knudsen: vbccfnance@viennabc.org, 703-281-2021.

VBCC Snow Policy

Hard to believe that winter is right around the corner, so we wanted to remind everyone of our snow policy: **We follow all Fairfax County weather-related determinations.**

So, when Fairfax County Schools are CLOSED due to inclement weather, VBCC will be CLOSED.

When Fairfax County Schools have a 2 hour delay in opening, VBCC opens at 11:30am.

When Fairfax County Schools close 2 hours early, VBCC closes at 12:30pm.

If Fairfax County calls for a distance learning day due to inclement weather VBCC will be closed..

VBCC does not make announcements regarding weather closings or delays. Please watch your local news or sign up at fcps.edu for FCPS alerts.



In-House Field Trip—Peter McCory The One Man Band!!

Peter McCory, The One Man Band, will be here on November 15th and 16th to perform for all of our classes from 10:30-11:30. He brings so many instruments to show the children and they will enjoy dancing to his fun and silly songs! He is a VBCC favorite and we are excited he will be back. If the weather is nice he will perform on our playground. If the weather does not hold out for an outdoor show we will be upstairs in our Fellowship Hall with classes distanced.