

VBCC News



Vienna Baptist Children's Center

April 2023

Melissa's Note

Dear Parents,

It seems like spring has finally arrived!! We are starting to enjoy some warm weather and hope to be able to get outside as much as possible in the next few months. Please remember once the weather gets warmer to apply sunscreen to your child each morning before school. Our staff are not allowed to apply sunscreen, so make sure your child is ready for time in the sun before drop off each morning. They are also welcome to bring a hat on those bright sunny days. We also hope to start enjoying water play in the next month so please make sure your child has a full set of extra clothes in their backpack each day.

Children have also been enjoying some wonderful time inside the classrooms. I have seen a lot of great process art happening in all age groups. I have enjoyed watching the children create many different projects with many types of art materials. We are also excited to watch our caterpillars turn into butterflies in the next few weeks! The children love watching them come out of their cocoons and then we have so much fun releasing them outside! I have also seen a lot of wonderful friendships being formed as each class is very comfortable and happy with their peers and routine of the school day. It is hard to believe we only have 7 weeks left of school!

Packets will be distributed in mail pouches next week regarding the deposit for our upcoming school year. The deposit and contract must be turned in by May 1st in order to secure your child/children's spot for the 2023-2024 school year. If you have any questions regarding next year please let me know.

Summer is fast approaching! I hope everyone has started to think about summer camps and playdates with friends during the summer months. Our playground is open all summer and is a nice shady place to gather for playdates and a picnic! We will also be hosting a playdate per age group in August for families to reconnect and get to know each other before school starts. More information and dates for those will be sent out towards the end of July.

I hope everyone had a wonderful spring break and a happy Easter!

Sincerely,

Melissa



Financial Notes



Deposit Fee and Contract for 2023-24 SY Due May 1

Families returning next year will need to pay your May 2024 Tuition (**non-refundable**) **Deposit Fee by May 1**. Payment notices will be in your returned registration packet and will be placed in your child's mail pouch on April 17th and 18th. The deposit fee and contract must be turned in by May 1st to reserve your enrollment for next year.

If you are signed up for Tuition Express and would like your deposit processed through our automated system, please contact Sarah Knudsen, vbccfinance@viennabc.org.

If using **Automatic Payments** through your bank, please be sure to make changes for the appropriate amount due.

Questions, please contact Sarah Knudsen, Accounts Receivable at 703-281-2021, ext 113 or 116 or vbccfinance@viennabc.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 11 and 12: In-House Field Trip: Squeals on Wheels petting zoo visit on the playground.

April 13: FCPS Early Release; VBCC closes at 12:30

April 14: FCPS Teacher Workday, No School

April 19 and 20: Class Picture Day: Apr. 19th will be all MWF classes, and the Treefrogs and Jaguars. Apr. 20th will be all TTH classes, Butterflies and Monkeys.

April 21: Eid al Fitr, No School

April 25-May 5: VBCC Swamp Parent - Teacher Conferences During School

May 10: Bible Ceremony for the Rainforest, (Boas, Jaguars and Treefrogs), at 11:45, more information TBA.

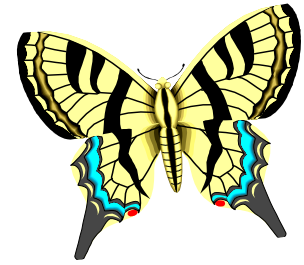
May 16 and 17: In-House Field Trip; Peter McCory, The One Man Band visit our playground with his wonderful music show!

May 26: Last Day of School



Class Picture Days
April 19 and April 20

Class pictures will be taken on Wednesday, April 19th and Thursday, April 20th. There will be no individual pictures taken at this time. All classes will have a class picture taken on these dates. On April 19th all MWF classes and the Treefrogs and Jaguars will have a class picture taken. On April 20th all TTH classes, the Monkeys and the Butterflies will have a class picture taken. A link to order class pictures will be emailed before and after picture day with more information about ordering and receiving a class picture. We promise no messy play on those days so feel free to look fancy:).



VBCC In-House Field Trips!

Squeals on Wheels!

On April 11th and 12th Squeals on Wheels will bring their petting zoo to our playground! Each class will enjoy a time to visit with alpacas, goats, bunnies, feathery friends, a miniature horse and more!

Peter McCory, The One Man Band

On May 16th and 17th Peter McCory, The One Man Band will bring his wonderful music show to our playground. He will start with the Ducklings and Turtles on the small side and they will enjoy his music while they play. He will then move to the big side and perform on our playground stage.



Eye Glass Donation Box

The Lions Club, who conducted our vision screening, is collecting used eye glasses. We have a donation box in the Foyer. They will take all used eye glasses, including children's eye glasses. If you have any to donate, please place them in the box. Thank you!

Bible Ceremony for the Rainforest

We will have the Bible Ceremony to celebrate our oldest friends graduating from VBCC on May 10th. Boa, Jaguar, and Treefrog families are welcome to join us on May 10th at 11:45am in the Worship Room for this wonderful event. The ceremony will be followed by the potluck class picnic on the playground. Please remember we are a nut free environment. Students will bring their lunch just like a regular school day and eat outside as well. In the event of rain the picnic will be canceled and the students will eat lunch in the classroom with their friends and teachers. The teachers will provide more details as it gets closer and post a sign up sheet for food and drinks for the picnic.

Sneakers ONLY for the Playground!

As the weather gets warmer, please remember to send your child to school in sneakers or tennis shoes ONLY. These shoes are required for safety on the playground. Please do not send your child to school in crocs, flip flops or sandals. Thank you for helping to keep everyone safe on our playground!

