



Monday, August 8, 2011

## The summer is almost over....

Welcome to our first Voices of the 2011-2012 school year. The Village Voices is our main form of weekly communication about the going-ons at the Village. There is still much to do in order for us to ready the school for our children, so take a moment to read this VV to find out what is coming up and how you can help!

## Final School Preparations

Final prep of our classrooms and other school space (library, kitchen and extended care) will be taking place during the week of August 15<sup>th</sup>. **Thanks** to all who have been laboring throughout the summer and to those who have responded to help individual teachers. This move has been efficient and (almost) painless. Keep an eye out for my additional emails about how and when you can help.

## Meet and Greet

The faculty, staff and Board of VCS will be hosting a **MEET AND GREET** on Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. Nothing formal, just a drop-in-when-you-can kind of event. This is a chance for you to meet the new teachers, welcome our new families, reconnect with those you have not seen since June and let your child spend some time on campus before the first day. Hope to see everyone!

\*Our first board meeting will follow this gathering with a start time of 6:15 P.M. Board meetings are open to the public, so feel free to join us and learn more about the school.

## Job Openings at VCS

VCS has openings for 2.5 classroom positions: 2 classroom aides and 1 extended care director. If you or someone you know is interested in applying please see the ad on craigslist and follow the instructions to apply.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### ❖ AUGUST ❖

#### Week of August 15<sup>th</sup>

Watch for emails of how you can help with the final prep of the school

#### Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup>

2:00 – 6:00 p.m. Meet & Greet

#### Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup>

Board Meeting 6:15 p.m.

#### Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>

First day of school, 8:30 a.m.

#### Week of August 23<sup>rd</sup>

1:00 dismissal all week (K-8<sup>th</sup>)

### NO SCHOOL

Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup> - Labor Day

[Click here to view VCS Calendar 11/12](#)

## Registration Packets & Classroom Configuration

The teachers are working hard to finalize our classroom configurations and our goal is to email/post the list by the 15<sup>th</sup>. If you have received emails from the office regarding your child's registration packet please return it ASAP. If you have printing needs, drop by the school and we will give you a hard copy. Our classroom configuration is based confirmed "registered" students for the 2011/2012 school year. If we do not have a registration packet we cannot place your child.

## Jodi's Wish List

### for her kinder classroom

- desk chair for the teacher
- tall wood bookshelf
- vacuum
- canopy for the library/silk material
- little comfy chairs or beanbags
- small couch or loveseat
- large rug/s
- little hooks to hold mugs
- wood or bamboo dish drying rack
- wooden blocks
- fishing line to hang art
- clothespins
- baskets (all sizes ~ to hold books and math manipulatives)

## Extended Care Program

VCS offers before and after care for students at \$5 per hour.

- Before school care begins at 7:30 a.m.
- Kindergarten care begins at 1:00 p.m. everyday
- 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade care time begins 15 minutes after the end of the school day:
  - ♦ 1:15 on Wednesday
  - ♦ 3:15 on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

**REMINDER:** If you have an outstanding balance for extended care you must either pay it in full or work out a payment plan with Rebecca before school begins or you will not be able to use these services.

## *Whooping Cough Vaccine*

**Free Whooping Cough Vaccination Clinic  
for 7th - 12th Grade Students**

Saturday, August 13, 2011

10 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Santa Rosa High School

1235 Mendocino Ave, Santa Rosa

Incoming 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade students must show proof of receiving the Tdap vaccine within 30 days of the start of the new school year. An exemption waiver is available for medical or personal beliefs.

## How to find us

Drive behind the mini mall on the corner of Mark West & Old Redwood Hwy. Take the driveway behind the businesses following the fence. For safety reasons the parking lot /playground is chained off during school hours so drive to the far end of the lot , turn down an aisle and park. The VCS entrance is located half way down at the magnolia tree where you will see a set of double doors. The school office faces the parking lot right behind the "Pacifica" sculpture. We ask that VCS families use this entrance for all of your arrivals and departures to and from school.

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## Ongoing Fundraising Opportunities

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