

Village Voices

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE VILLAGE CHARTER SCHOOL

Wednesday, October 14, 2009

Parent Support Pledge

The Village Charter School provides a free public education offering a multi-age, developmental curriculum to all families. A child's enrollment at VCS is in no way dependent on family pledging. It is important to recognize, however, that the public funding available is not sufficient to fully support our curriculum. Pledge donations to the Village Charter School have been a successful way to support the goals of our school. PSP funds are currently distributed between long-term school goals, daily expenses and immediate programming needs. All donations are tax-deductible.

Each year, the Village Charter School sends pledge forms to each school family, and we hope that every family can find a way to contribute at a level comfortable for them. **Please be aware that our annual budget is based on the pledged amount.** While recognizing that family finances are subject to change, it is extremely important that each family fully contribute their pledged amount. Because many outside funding resources such as grant foundations and private donors look to the percentage of families pledging as an indication of the viability of the school, your wholly voluntary pledge at any level, whatever the size, is a strong indicator of our community commitment.

Thanks for your support!
The Village Charter School Board and Foundation

Fundraising Messages from Anne Marie

Dine-n-Donate

Thanks to all who were able to make our first Dine-n-Donate a success. We raised \$134.00 for our school last Tuesday! Keep an eye out for the next Dine-n-Donate date.

Ink Cartridges

Thanks to all who have been bringing in empty ink cartridges. There is always a labeled bin located outside the office, for your donations. For every one we turn into Staples, we get \$3.00 in store credit for supplies! WOW!

E-scrip

Thanks to all for your participation in E-scrip. We hope to bring in even more this year than last, so please check out the website and register your cards so we really can maximize the returns. Also for returning supporters, please renew your commitment to the E-Scrip program with Safeway. Although your qualified purchases are currently earning rebates for our group, your club card will be removed from the program on November 1, 2009 unless you renew your commitment by going to www.escip.com and renewing under the "my escip" section. The Safeway card needs to be renewed every year and our records indicate that there are 49 supporters that need to renew for this year. Thanks!!

Picture Day

Picture Day will take place on Friday, 10/16. Please have your child to school by 8:30am on picture day. A make up day will be scheduled for students who are absent. (There will be no class picture make ups.)

You will not have an order form to turn in for picture day. A proof package will be returned to you with an order form November 2nd. Class pictures will be posted in your child's classroom; you will have three photos to choose from. Orders are due back to school by Monday November 9th. Photos will be returned to parents by the end of November.
Questions: contact Lisa Dragna 321-5949

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

◆ OCTOBER ◆

Friday 10/16

Picture day

Monday 10/19

Board meeting 5:45 – 8:00

Tuesday 10/20

Bonnie's class - Grist Mill

Tuesday 10/27

Malika's class- Spring Hill

Friday 10/30

Day of the Dead

Evening event times to be announced

Chess for Kids

There is still space available to join the Chess for Kids program which meets on Wednesdays 1:15 – 2:15. The cost is \$10 per week (\$60/6 weeks). Forms have been sent in previous emails or can be picked up in the office.



DAY OF THE DEAD

Our first fall festival will be the celebration of the Day of the Dead. This festival will be an evening, pot luck event that will include an illuminated alter walk, plays, poems, song and dance. We are still in need of help with the organization and planning of this event. If you are able to help, please contact Melanie 537-7015

Saturday Cleaning for 10/17: Griffus, Clark, Jimenez/Vega, deBrito