

# Westside Village Magnet School

"A Fun and Innovative Place to Learn"

## Upcoming Events

April 29th	Village Rhythm & Blues 5:30pm - 10:00pm
May 1st	Parent Discussion With Author, Heather Shucker - 6:00pm - 7:00pm
May 3rd	Kindergarten/New Student Registration Day
May 12th	Spring Fling Elder Social 4:00pm - 6:00pm
May 15th	Sixth Six-Week Begins
May 16th	MOD Pizza Fundraiser
May 18th	Community Celebration & Performance: School of Rock 5:00pm - 7:30pm
May 19th	Parent Community Coffee 9:00am
May 31st - June 2nd	Older/Elder Coast Trip

## Get Your VRB Tickets!

Tickets to Village, Rhythm, and Blues will be now on sale! Tickets are \$50 and include a paella dinner from **Barrio**, drinks from **Oblivion** and **Boneyard Brewing**, and delicious desserts! There will be amazing silent and live auction items to bid on and musical entertainment from WVMS students and staff. Childcare for families from school is also included in the ticket price! You can purchase tickets from any 4th-8th grade student or in the rotunda before or after school. You may reserve a table for your group by purchasing 8 or more tickets at one time.

## Curriculum

In math students have started working on Geometry. They will be doing a Math/Science investigation looking at vertices, angles, sides, irregular and regular polygons, the attributes of shapes, and the Pythagorean Theorem.

In research students are evaluating their primary texts. They are learning how to evaluate sources and discern "fake news" from reliable information. To do this, they are comparing and contrasting two texts to analyze structure, content, and format. Students are using a protocol called "APPARTS" to evaluate texts. It stands for Author, Place/Time, Prior Knowledge, Audience, Reason, The Main Idea, and Significance.

## Parent Discussion w/ Author Heather Shumaker

The parent discussion intended to be held back in January now has a new date! Stephanie Krause of Bloom Children's Center will host a discussion here in our library on **May 1st** at 6:00pm. Heather Shumaker, author of the book "It's OK Not To Share: and Other Renegade Rules For Raising Competent and Compassionate Kids" will join us for our first hour on Skype as we discuss her book! Grab a copy from the library or order one to read over the next month and a half, and join in discussing what Shumaker presents in the book! If you have questions you may contact Stephanie through her website at [www.bloombend.com](http://www.bloombend.com).

## Naglieri Testing 4/25

WVMS 2nd grade students as well as 2nd - 5th grade students new to the school district will be given the Naglieri Test on April 25th. The Naglieri Nonverbal Abilities Test (NNAT3) is an online nonverbal abilities test used to estimate students' reasoning and problem solving skills. Unlike assessment tests that measure what a student has already learned, abilities tests are designed to measure a students' aptitude, focusing on analytic and problem solving skills rather than specific knowledge. Please make sure your student gets a good night's sleep and eats a hearty breakfast.

## **Olders & Elders Beach Trip & Working at VRB Update**

We are getting ready to go on our annual Older/Elder Coast Trip to Newport! This year the dates will be May 31st through June 2nd. The cost of the trip will be \$150 per student. Kids can earn money towards their Coast Trip by working during VRB (April 29th) either babysitting or helping out at the venue. There are also opportunities leading up to the event to stay after school and earn money towards the cost of their trip. Many kids have raised most of their Coast Trip cost these ways. Kids have interviewed for their desired jobs. **We will have slips coming home on Monday that detail what your child's job will be.** If you have any questions about working at VRB or the Coast Trip, please call Anne in the office at 541.355.2000.

## **Volunteers**

We are in need of some parent volunteers to help make luminaries after school. If you are available, please email Christine at [wvmsvolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:wvmsvolunteers@gmail.com).

We are also in need of someone to help organize our mini lesson books and to help with barcode some library books. If you are able to help with either of these tasks, please email Anne at [anne.forster@bend.k12.or.us](mailto:anne.forster@bend.k12.or.us). Thank you!

## **Giraffe!**

We are having a raffle for an adorable 34" stuffed giraffe! Tickets are \$1.00 each and can be purchased in the front office. All proceeds will benefit WVMS students.



## **Earth Day Garden Party**

We had a lot of fun and a great turn out at our Earth Day garden party today! Many SOLVE and parent volunteers achieved a massive amount of work in our garden! We prepped and planted all of the raised garden beds, as well as the greenhouse. We raked, weeded, swept, and spread mushroom compost. It's looking fantastic out there! Thank you to Sam & Pam Scholl, Steve Talbott, Peggy Kerr, Dawn Fleming, Andrew Mowry, and all of the awesome SOLVE volunteers for your amazing hard work!

## **Avoid Lice!**

Unfortunately, it is the season for lice. Here are a few reminders about how to avoid lice:

- \* Remind your kids NOT to share combs, hats, coats, or clothing.
- \* Encourage your kids to remember to NOT leave coats/hats/sweaters laying around school. Have them store clothing in their cubbies, or in a backpack.
- \* Do NOT let kids bring stuffed animals to school. Lice like to cling to them!
- \* Check your kids often for nits and for lice. A single louse can live on a human for 30 days, and a nit for 2 weeks.
- \* Catching it early means less work. If you need a visual to know what to look for, you can visit [https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head/gen\\_info/faqs.html](https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head/gen_info/faqs.html).
- \* Please let the office know if your child gets lice. This way we know where to clean and which friends to check.

## **Did You Know?**

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