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The Village Voice

This is our school, Let peace dwell here
Fill all the rooms with happiness.
As many hands do make a house,
So many hearts do make our school.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Monday, 1/20</u>	NO SCHOOL--MLK Jr. Day
<u>Monday, 1/27</u>	Sibling Applications Due by 3 PM
<u>Thursday, 1/30</u> 6:00-8:00 PM	8th Grade Parent Meeting
<u>Friday, 1/31</u> 6:00-8:00 PM	Talent Show <i>Cafeteria</i>
<u>Saturday, 2/1</u> 10:00 AM-12:00 PM	Parent Information Meeting <i>Cafeteria</i>
<u>Tuesday, 2/4</u> 3:30-5:00 PM	Heart of the Village Raffle Basket Wrapping Party
<u>Wednesday, 2/5</u> 6:00-8:00 PM	Parent Information Meeting <i>Cafeteria</i>
<u>Thursday, 2/6</u>	Grandparents' Day
<u>Saturday, 2/8</u> 11:00 AM-2:00 PM	Heart of the Village

WINTER CONCERT: LATE, BUT WORTH THE WAIT



This year's Winter Concert was very special. The children were enchanting, the music was lovely, and the sense of community was great. Thank you sincerely to all who helped make the event a success. Many thanks to: Specialty Teachers Jon Bilenki, Justin Lader, and Jennifer Sellers for leading and preparing our talented student performers, Chris Halaska for coordinating the set up of Marimbas, Gerry Platt, Anil Oommen, Stephen Isaac, Amanda Woodruff, and Gabriel Knight for transporting and setting up Marimbas, Jim Greenwood for serving as our guest accompanist, Sherri Marineau for leading the planning and production of the event, and all of the other parent volunteers who worked tirelessly to make it such a magical night.

PARENTS

THANK YOU FOR TURNING IN YOUR
RE-ENROLLMENT FORMS ON TIME.

ALL SIBLING APPLICATIONS ARE
DUE MONDAY, JANUARY 27TH AT
3:00PM.

HEART OF THE VILLAGE

The annual Heart of the Village celebration is a community event which is a hands-on showcase of rich music, arts & crafts, and food from our students and school community!

The event will be happening on Saturday, February 8, from 11:00am-2:00pm. There are many, many volunteer opportunities for this event, both in planning and on the actual day of the event and we need your help!

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Setup and Cleanup for event
- Bring bake goods for Bake Sale
(Everyone is encouraged to bring baked goods)
- Raffle Basket donations & ticket sales
(See class coordinators on your grade's theme)
- Food preparation, serving, and sales
- Donations of trinkets for Pocket Lady dress
(Bring donations to office)
 - Cakes for cake walks
- Parents and 1st & 2nd grade children for dragon parade
- Admission table sales

Be on the lookout for an email with instructions on how you can sign up online for volunteer shifts for the event. Signup sheets will also be hung outside the office and some classroom doors. Your grade's classroom coordinator will have information about your grade's specific volunteer needs and how to sign up. You can also talk to Volunteer Coordinator, Sherri Marineau, in the office regarding volunteer jobs and shifts for the event.

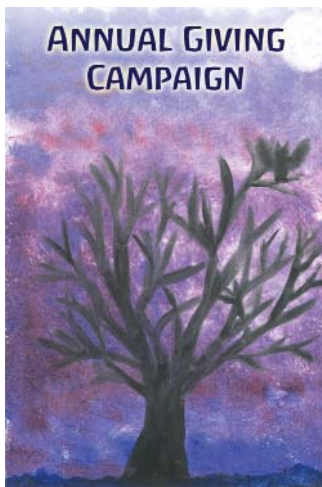
PLEASE REMEMBER:
**NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY,
JANUARY 20TH**
IN HONOR OF
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

GRANDPARENTS' DAY IS COMING!



The Village School will be having our first Grandparents' Day on Thursday, February 6th. The day will begin with a continental breakfast, then grandparents will experience main lesson with their grandchildren, and they will be honored with student performances and lunch in the cafeteria. The event is two days away from Heart of the Village so that grandparents can experience more of our school life! Please let us know if you need Grandparents' Day Invitation forms ASAP.

SUPPORT THE ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN



We launched the Annual Giving Campaign at the Winter Concert on Friday last week. If you were not able to attend the Winter Concert, please pick up a brochure above the mailboxes. Please help yourselves to extras if you have friends or family who might be interested. Our specialty programs, Spanish, Music, Handwork and Movement, rely on your support. We strive to get 100% participation, so give what you can, and thanks in advance.

SAVE AT THE CORNBREAD CAFE WHILE SUPPORTING THE 8TH GRADE!



Love the Cornbread Cafe? Then you're going to love this deal! Cornbread Cafe gift certificates with a value of \$25 are on sale for \$20 each in the school office. That's right-pay only \$20 and get \$25 to spend! And it gets even better: 100% of the gift certificate proceeds go toward the 8th grade trip. Come buy yours before supplies run out.

8TH GRADE PARENT MEETING 1/30

Attention 8th Grade parents. Thursday January 30th is a very important parent evening. We hope to see every 8th grade student represented.

This will be the last required 8th grade all-parent evening concerning your 8th grade student. The meeting combines two very important events.

1) The end of year 8th grade week long trip to Seattle and John's Island in the San Juan Islands of Washington and some time sensitive preparations that must begin this winter.

2) An orientation for our compulsory Health and Human Sexuality class (OWL) which begins Friday Feb. 7th and continues each Friday afternoon until June.

The agenda for this evening is full and important. The meeting will begin at 6:00 with some refreshments and follow the outlined agenda below.

6:15-6:45 an 8th grade class trip meeting:

-Fundraising update

-Class trip overview

-Parent planning responsibilities

-“Student in good standing” criteria for participation in end of year class trip.

The OWL part of the meeting will begin at 6:45-7:00 and plan to wrap by 8:00ish.

It will be led by Jennie Sherlock a trained OWL educator who teaches both in the private and public sector and who will be lead/co-teaching with Andy T for the third consecutive year.

You will leave this meeting understanding the ins and outs of the 8th grade trip that can only be communicated in person as well as this important curriculum being brought to your student's classroom 90 minutes weekly for the rest of the year.

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

We will meet next Tuesday, January 21st from 3:00 to 4:00 in Pat's office. The next week, we won't meet (the week of January 26th), and then we will switch back to Thursdays, from 3:00 to 4:00 Childcare is always provided. Contact is: pattyann25@gmail.com

FRIENDLY PARK WORK PARTY SUNDAY, JANUARY 19TH 9AM-12PM

Join your Friendly neighbors this Sunday to help with the effort to make the Friendly Park “pesticide free.” Tools and instruction will be provided.

SHOP LOCALLY OR ONLINE AND RAISE FUNDS FOR VILLAGE SCHOOL



We encourage everyone to use eScrip, Capella Scrip, and Unique Eugene Scrip. These programs help local vendors and bring fundraising dollars to our school. We also have two online fundraising venues: Amazon.com and SchoolMall.com.



Go to www.eugenevillageschool.org and click "Shop for Village School" on the left. Links will appear for Amazon.com and SchoolMall.com. Click and shop from these links, and the Village School earns as much as 15% of your sales. If you bookmark the initial link to these sites, you can make these your browser's portal for them.

SchoolMall.com allows you to buy from many retailers, including REI, iTunes, Land's End, Best Buy, Home Depot, Barnes and Nobles, OfficeMax, and The Body Shop. Each sale generates donations for the Village School.

FROM THE VILLAGE KITCHEN

Along with preparing meals for about 150 children every school day, our kitchen also feeds teachers and staff. The adults set a wonderful example for the students by eating such healthy lunches!



TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS!

Auditions for this year Talent Show will be held on Thursday, January 23rd at 3pm. 8th grade students will visit classrooms next week with more information.

EIGHTH GRADE TALENT SHOW FUNDRAISER

Come check out the local talent at the Village School Eighth Grade Talent Show on January 31 starting at 5:30 pm and ending at 8:30 pm. Come prepared to eat a delicious pasta dinner, enjoy the company of our community, and be dazzled by our children's performances. Plus, there will be a Silent Auction featuring a few choice items will help us reach our fundraising goals for our Class Trip to the San Juan Islands. We have two beautiful mahogany and ash longboards handcrafted by a former Village School parent/current VS Board President.



Picture this: You bombing a hill on this sweet ride!

In addition, we'll have tempting handcrafted pieces such as iShare glass straws and Daniels Family Pottery for sale. Buy a lovely one-of-a-kind altar jar; the supply is limited, so shop early.



An altar jar or repurpose as a salt cellar

So, bring the whole family! Eat, enjoy the show, shop for gifts, bid on Silent Auction contributions (so don't forget to bring cash or checks), and know that we deeply appreciate the help you've given us in making our San Juan Island journey possible--thank you so much, and stay tuned to next week's Village Voice for more details about the Talent Show evening.

EIGHTH GRADE FIELD TRIP TO UO LAW SCHOOL

8th Graders take their study of the U.S. Constitution to UO Law School on January 16th to hear the oral arguments in the case of former VS student Kelsey Rose Juliana who is asking the Judiciary to force the state to act on climate change under the provisions of the public trust. Great field trip seeing the law in action. Our students--the youngest ones there were indistinguishable from UO law students. Afterward, Kelsey made a point of connecting with them and will follow-up with a classroom visit next Tuesday. Thanks to Julia Olson for the invite as well as Julia and Liam Sherlock's advocacy on behalf of our children.



Please send Village Voice submissions by Thursday at 12:00pm to Maureen at village@4j.lane.edu. Thank you!

2014 WINTER CONCERT PHOTOS



2nd Grade



1st Grade



4th Grade



3rd Grade



6th Grade



Village School Staff



8th Grade Guitars



8th Grade Marimbas

CLASSIFIED ADS

Daniels Family Pottery

"Thank you for all your time and energy in my wheel throwing lessons with you this fall. The breadth and depth of knowledge that you have to offer is beyond impressive and is only surpassed by the wisdom that you share. It seems to me that creating pottery is as much a spiritual experience to you as it is a physical practice. And sharing in this experience with you has been nothing short of inspiring. I believe that with the technical fundamentals and the Zen approach that you have instilled in me, that I will continue to improve as an artist and craftsman..."

~ Anya Dobrowolski

"Thank you Steve! You and your family are so great...I really enjoy your teaching style and feel that I am improving already...I'm excited to have this new skill. It's going to be really fun to see how I progress in the next few weeks with some additional training from a really skilled potter. What a blessing!!...Steve Daniels is a talented artist and a wonderful person."

~ Brandi Gleason

Hey Steve...I think of you every time I go out to the wheel. Thanks so much for the terrific lessons you gave me four years ago...you're an awesome teacher. Blessings,

~ Candace Hunter

offering a
rare opportunity for you to
receive discounted
wheel throwing classes
from Steve Daniels at
Daniels Family Pottery.

As a fund-raising incentive,
your cost is reduced to
\$40 for a one-hour lesson
(normally \$80). 50% of
that is being donated to
the Village School's 8th
Grade End of the Year Trip.

*Steve Daniels has been teaching
pottery classes and making high-
fired functional stoneware in his
Friendly Neighborhood home studio
since 1994.*

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