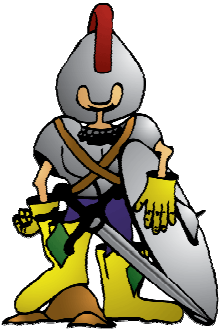


# Valley Christian Academy Good News

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**This Week's Riddle:**

I can be an excellent seamstress, but my eye can't see a stitch that I sew. What am I? ☺

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Stop by the school office with the correct answer and you will receive a treat from Mrs. Hardin!! ☺

**Last Week's Riddle:**

Why did the scarecrow win the Nobel Peace Prize?

Answer: Because he was outstanding in his field! ☺

**"The LORD will perfect that which concerns me; Your mercy, O LORD, endures forever; Do not forsake the works of Your hands."**

**- Psalm 138:8**

**Christmas Gift Shop**

Our annual Christmas Gift Shop is this week - December 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. This is a wonderful time for the students to shop for their loved ones. Please know that we will not allow the children to shop for their selves. ☺ Each class has signed up for a designated date and time. A letter and envelope (order form) went home last Monday. Please fill out the order form and select a dollar amount you would like your child to spend on each person selected. Any change will be sent home. What a wonderful time for the children to do extra chores around the house and **earn** their shopping money. ☺ Should you need another form, please stop by the school office and pick one up. Any parents who would like to volunteer an hour or two to help our children shop may see Mrs. Guzman in the school office. ☺

**Box Tops Update: Thank You Parents & Students!**

A turkey activity sheet went home with each child a few weeks ago asking to attach 10 Box Tops and return before Thanksgiving break. We collected 55 turkey sheets and extra Box Tops were also turned in (the amounts will be credited to each class for the next collection contest). Altogether, we raised another \$68.40 for VCA with the 684 Box Tops you brought to school for this activity! Thank you very much for your continued support!

**PTF Meeting**

Our monthly PTF meeting will be held tomorrow, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm. Childcare and snacks will be provided. We hope you will be able to join us as we have so many fantastic topics to discuss. ☺

**Christmas Plays**

Our Pre-K/Kindergarten program will be on Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm and our Elementary program will be on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. These are two events you will not want to miss. The children work so hard to prepare for these programs, so we want to encourage you to come out and see their performance. ☺

**Adventures in Reading**

This Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> is the last day to turn in your reading logs for the awards that will be given out in Chapel on December 16<sup>th</sup>. If you need another log, they are available at the school office. ☺

**Minimum Day / Lost and Found**

Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> will be a minimum day which means school is out at 12pm. This is also a Spirit day; therefore, students are encouraged to dress as a Nativity character. ☺ Please keep in mind that this is NOT A FREE dress day. If your child chooses not to dress up, then they need to wear their Chapel uniform. ☺ Should you have any questions, please call the school office. Please check the Lost and Found for your child's belongings before the Christmas break. Any items left after Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, will be donated to charity.

## December

|   |   |  |   |  |
|---|---|--|---|--|
| 5   | 6   | 7<br>- 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade field trip to the Printing Museum<br>- Pit Stop – 7pm | 8   | 9  |
| Christmas Gift Shop – Dec. 6 <sup>th</sup> thru Dec. 8 <sup>th</sup>  |   |  |   |  |
| 12  | 13<br>- Jr. High field trip to Medieval Times.<br>- PTF Meeting at 3:30pm | 14<br>Pit Stop – 7pm   | 15<br>Pre-K/Kind Christmas Program at 7pm | 16<br>- Minimum Day / Nativity Dress<br>-Elementary Christmas Program at 7pm |
| 19  | 20  | 21   | 22  | 23   |
| Christmas Break – December 19 <sup>th</sup> thru January 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Daycare CLOSED on December 26 <sup>th</sup> and January 2 <sup>nd</sup> |   |  |   |  |

## Pre-K Mrs. Siqueiros/ Mrs. Cruz

This week in Pre-K:

|       |        |         |        |
|-------|--------|---------|--------|
| Color | Purple | Letter  | Mm, Hh |
| Shape | Star   | Numbers | 1-8    |

Pre-K is diligently working on Christmas songs for their play on December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Look for the information letter that will be sent home this week.

Our Christmas party will be on December 16<sup>th</sup> at 11am. Detailed information will go home soon. ☺

Pre-K is doing fabulous with turning in the reading logs and box tops. Keep up the good work. ☺

We will be shopping at the Christmas Gift Shop tomorrow and Wednesday. ☺

## Kindergarten

Your child is starting to read short sentences – Hooray! ☺ Please continue to practice daily with blending sounds and the two-vowel rule. Also, keep up the good work in getting the homework turned in on time. Not only are the children learning the concepts being taught but, they are also learning responsibility. Have a blessed week! ☺



## 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

Our class will be able to participate on the Christmas Gift Shop on Wednesday.

The Christmas party will be on December 16<sup>th</sup>. Our party will start at 10:30am and we will eat at 11:00am. School will be out at noon. Start planning what dress up clothes you would like for the Nativity dress up that same day. Some ideas are: Mary, Joseph, Jesus, Kings, Shepherds, sheep, camels and angels.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

This week's clean desk award goes to Bishop Coria. Congratulations!

Thank you to all of our parents who have donated to our treasure box. You are all a blessing to Mrs. Berg! ☺

2<sup>nd</sup> grade will have their Christmas party on December 16<sup>th</sup>. Girls will be exchanging gifts with girls and boys will be exchanging gifts with boys; gift limit is \$10. Please sign up on the parent board for snack to bring to share. ☺

We are asking 2<sup>nd</sup> graders to each bring in a dozen of cookies for our Christmas Elementary program. Each student has a part in the program. ☺ Information about costumes will be sent home soon.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Congratulations to Janaya Delone as she earned this week's clean desk award.

Our "State" projects were a blast! Good job everyone! ☺

We are learning about our great "I Am". Ask any third grader some characteristics about Him. ☺

Our field trip to the Printing Museum is this Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to all of our approved drivers. ☺

Christmas Gift Shop – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will be shopping on Thursday for those who will be participating. ☺

## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Students have been working very hard in reading as we have been focusing on comprehension in our reading groups. ☺ Keep it up 4<sup>th</sup> grade!

The 4<sup>th</sup> grade book report on "Saved At Sea" is due on Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>.

Our shopping date for the Christmas Gift Shop is this Thursday. ☺

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Our class "International" Christmas party will be on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. The students will enjoy a feast of foods. We will have a gift exchange - girls will exchange with girls and boys will exchange with boys. ☺ Gifts should not be more than \$10.

Reminder . . . the \$80 deposit for Science Camp is due on Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>.

5<sup>th</sup> grade will be shopping on Wednesday at the Christmas Gift Shop.

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Each student is learning how to "Powerize" sentences. Adjectives, adverbs and prepositional phrases add power to sentences. Parents, please check out their most recent work, you will be amazed. ☺

Our Christmas Gift Shop date is this Wednesday for those who would like to participate. ☺

## Jr. High

Christmas Gift Shop shopping dates: For those who would like to participate, 7<sup>th</sup> grade will be shopping on Thursday and 8<sup>th</sup> grade will be shopping on Wednesday. ☺

Our field trip to Medieval Times is next Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>.

All information needed for our White House Tour must be turned in by December 14<sup>th</sup>. Please do so ASAP.

The Jr. High Christmas party is on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up to bring something to share.



## "Something Fantastic"

*In The News at VCA*

**Drums and Guitar class did an awesome job in Chapel. ☺**



## Students of the Week

Pre-K – Mason Long and Mykaylah Lopez-Torres

Kind – Vanessa Chavira

1<sup>st</sup> – Kaylee Barnekow

2<sup>nd</sup> – Christopher Hernandez

3<sup>rd</sup> – Sierra Ingram

4<sup>th</sup> – Alexis Harris

5<sup>th</sup> – Jordan Smith

6<sup>th</sup> – Madison Telford

7<sup>th</sup> – Francisco Figueroa

8<sup>th</sup> – Christopher Chacon



## Bible Verses

|                              |                                  |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| PK- Jude 1:2                 | 4 <sup>th</sup> - Col. 1:15-17   |
| K- Ps. 92:1                  | 5 <sup>th</sup> - I Cor. 13:1-10 |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> - Ps. 86:11  | 6 <sup>th</sup> - I Cor. 6:20    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> - Ps. 105:1  | 7 <sup>th</sup> - Ps. 30:4       |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> - Luke 15:10 | 8 <sup>th</sup> - John 18:37-38  |