

In an effort to improve communication between school and home, VCS is beginning a curriculum update program. We will be sending home class updates monthly, to help parents be better informed about what their children are currently studying and working on in their core courses (including Second Language courses). It is a short summary. If parents need or desire more detailed information than they are receiving, we encourage them to contact classroom teachers directly.

Kindergarten Class Update

We are down to our last 12 classes of Kindergarten. We have finished our alphabet but still continue to review. Reading Mastery and Language for Learning will still be taught until the last week in June. In Math we are talking about patterns, shapes and weight. Our last themes of the year are Dinosaurs, Summer and Father's day.

Mrs. Stockman

Math

The Grade 1's and 2's have been working very hard. The Grade 1's will be wrapping up their Geometry Unit and will finish off the year with a unit in Probability and Data Management. The Grade 2's are currently wrapping up their Measurement Unit. They will complete units in Geometry and Probability and Data Management by year end.

Mrs. Lowen

Grade 3/4 Class Update

Language Arts

Reading Mastery is finished for the year and continue to work on Language program.

Mrs. Lowen

Math

In Math we are wrapping up our Number Sense Unit, as well as, working on Geometry and Probability and Data Management units.

Mrs. Lowen

Science

During the month of June the grade 3/4 class will be very busy. We will be finishing up our building unit in Science.

Mrs. Lowen

Social Studies

SS 3/4 Being a Global citizen Chapter 8- a look at world organizations helping throughout the world

Ms. Fowler

German

We are working on Vocabulary and Translation through the remainder of the year.

Mr. El-Tantawy

Grade 5/6 Class Update

Language Arts

LA 6 - reviewing functional & narrative writing , elements of a story , completing unit on Marvels -Then & Now

Ms. Fowler

Math

Grade 5/6 Math – We are at lesson 89 in the textbook. Once the grade 5/6's get back from their Jasper Palisades field trip, we will then begin our review for the Grade 6 PAT on Thursday, June 18. Consistent attendance will be very important so that the students will feel confident and prepared going into the exam. Students are also able to study, review and prepare for their math exam at home by using the exambank.com website. Go to AB K-12 link, then choose the appropriate grade level and select MATH. Our username is valhallaschool and our password is patpractice.

Mrs. Flint

Science

We have now finished the Flight Unit. For the remainder of the school year, we have to review two units which were not covered this year. This is a fast, intensive review in which we are teaching, practicing and stressing the importance of study skills and habits and the importance of reviewing subject material at home each evening. Currently we are mid way through a review of the grade 6 Trees and Forests unit. Students are being given short, study-skill related assignments many nights. They have some time in class to complete these but need to finish (this helps them review) at home. We will finish this review next week and have a quiz on it next Tuesday, the day before students leave for their trip to Jasper. When we get back from Jasper, we will end the year with a review of the Sky Science unit.

It is very important that students make the time at home to review and complete these small assignments. This will help prepare them for their science PAT/final exam. Please support your son/daughter in this by ensuring they get the time they need for this study.

Thank you for your support!

Mr. Mumert

Social Studies

SS 5/6 Working on Canadian History - settlement , fur trade, conflict between French & English
-chap 8 & 9.

Ms. Fowler

German

We are working on Vocabulary and Translation through the remainder of the year.

Mr. El-Tantawy

Grade 7 Class Update

Language Arts

The class has finished its study of the Shakespeare play Julius Caesar. They will perform a modified version of this play in the next few weeks. Presently they are learning their parts.

Mr. El-Tantawy

Math

The Grade 7 class is moving on from ratio and proportions to geometry. This portion of the class will deal with transformations, corresponding parts, Symmetry, toward the end of this block we shall investigate multiplication and division of integers.

Mr. El-Tantawy

Science

We are finishing a unit on Forces and Structures. We will finish the year off with a unit on Rocks and Minerals. Please make sure to study for the year end exam.

Mr. Heikel

Social Studies

We are finishing a unit on Louis Riel. We will end the year with a unit on World War 1. Please make sure to study for the year end exam.

Mr. Heikel

German

We are working on Vocabulary and Translation through the remainder of the year.

Mr. El-Tantawy

Grade 8 Class Update

Language Arts

LA 8 Working on figurative language & vocabulary building as we read novel - Touching Spirit Bear

Ms. Fowler

Math

Grade 8 Math – We are at lesson 94. We have about 10 more lessons and 2 more tests, plus a couple of review classes to prepare for their final exam on Friday, June 19. Students are also able to study, review and prepare for their math exam at home by using the exambank.com website. Go to AB K-12 link, then choose the appropriate grade level and select MATH. Our username is valhallaschool and our password is patpractice.

Mrs. Flint

Science

We had a test on Physics today. We are starting a small unit on Water and Oceans. Please make sure to study for the year end exam.

Mr. Heikel

Social Studies

We are wrapping up a unit in Aztecs. We will finish the year with a unit on Japan. Please make sure to study for the year end exam.

Mr. Heikel

German

We are working on Vocabulary and Translation through the remainder of the year.

Mr. El-Tantawy

Grade 9 Class Update

Language Arts

The grade 9 class has finished its study of the Taming of the Shrew. They have also completed Part A of the ELA PAT. The students are in the process of learning their roles for the class performance of Taming of the Shrew. After the play they will be getting ready for part B of the PAT.

Mr. El-Tantawy

Math

Grade 9 Math – We are at lesson 94 in the textbook. We have about 6 more lessons and 1 test left, plus about 1 week of review for the Grade 9 Math PAT on Wednesday, June 24. Consistent attendance will be very important so that the students will feel confident and prepared going into the exam. Students are also able to study, review and prepare for their math exam at home by using the exambank.com website. Go to AB K-12 link, then choose the appropriate grade level and select MATH. Our username is valhallaschool and our password is patpractice.

Mrs K. Flint

Science

We are wrapping up a unit on Electricity. We will finish the year on a small unit on Space. Please make sure to study for the year end exam.

Mr. Heikel

Social Studies

We have a small unit of Social Programs to finish up and will be reviewing for the final exam.

Mr. Heikel

German

We are working on Vocabulary and Translation through the remainder of the year.

Mr. El-Tantawy

Upcoming Important Dates:

June 1 – 11 – Swimming Lessons Grade K, 1, 2

June 1, 3, 8, 10 - Extra kindergarten days

June 3-6 – Grade 5/6 trip to Jasper Palisades

June 5 – CSW, No School

June 15 – Track and Field Meet for grades 1-9

June 16 – Last day of regular classes for all junior high students

June 18 – Grade 9's and parents to decorate gym for gr 9 farewell 4-6pm

June 19 – Grade 9 Farewell (6-10pm)

June 17, 18, 19 and 22 – Grade 7 and 8 final exams

June 23, 24, 25 and 26 – Grade 9's are writing their PAT'S in the mornings

June 26 – Grade 9 SS PAT Test, Year End Assembly, Year End BBQ. This is the last day for students and staff.

Swimming Lessons

Swimming Lessons for students in Kindergarten, Grade 1 and Grade 2 are June 1, 2015 through June 11, 2015. Students in Kindergarten will attend every day of the week for these two weeks. Please remember we have no school Friday, June 5th. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

Upcoming Provincial Achievement Tests

Wednesday, June 17	9:00—10:00 AM	Grade 6 English Language Arts Part B
Thursday, June 18	9:00—10:15 AM	Grade 6 Mathematics
Friday, June 19	9:00—10:00 AM	Grade 6 Science
Monday, June 22	9:00—10:00 AM	Grade 6 Social Studies
Tuesday, June 23	9:00—10:15 AM	Grade 9 Science
Wednesday, June 24	9:00—10:30 AM	Grade 9 Mathematics
Thursday, June 25	9:00—10:15 AM	Grade 9 English Language Arts Part B
Friday, June 26	9:00—10:20 AM	Grade 9 Social Studies

Track and Field Day

The VCS Track and Field Day has been set for Monday June 15th. We will need parent volunteers this day to help with the activities. If you can help please contact Anna at the school office 780.356.2370

School Council Meeting

The next school council meeting will be held Monday June 1 @7pm. To clarify any confusion School Council is the “parent council” but no longer named as such. School council meetings are the parents gathering and making decisions about the activities organized by us such as year end bbq and hot lunch programs. We also serve as an advisory group to the school and principal and help make our school the best it can be for our kids. A babysitter is provided for these meetings.

Grade 5/6 Palisades Trip

Our grade 5/6 class will be departing for Jasper Palisades from VCS Wednesday June 3rd. The students may ride the bus to the school then will be departing on a different bus at 9am sharp! Please make sure to bring along all of your clothing and a bag lunch with enough snacks for the trip down and back home. We would like to thank everyone who participated in the many fundraisers these students held to cover the cost of this trip. Without the great community support we received this trip would not be possible.

Thank you to School Council

All of the staff here at the school would like to give a shout out to School Council! For Teacher Appreciation Day the staff was provided a wonderful potluck lunch and supervision for the students. Thank you!! We appreciate all of the effort and number of parents that came out or helped make our day special. It was very nice to spend a lunch together with delicious food!

Year End Celebration BBQ/Potluck

We will have our year end celebration BBQ on Friday, June 26. We will begin with our assembly at 12:00pm and the BBQ/Potluck is to follow. The reason for a later start is we have a gr. 9 PAT test all morning. This is a special community event, family, friends and community members are invited!

Come out and celebrate our year.

If you have any questions about information on this letter please contact me anytime at the office, I would be happy to help. Please contact your teachers directly for any questions about your child.

Have a great day ☺

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