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Christmas Season Approaching!

It's hard to believe, but the Christmas season is upon us already!

VCS students are already hard at work learning and practicing parts and music for the annual Christmas concert. Only three weeks to go until performance!

A busy schedule of activity is underway. Students are learning their songs, working on their drama parts and will be getting set to help fill many off stage roles as well.

The Christmas concert is one of the biggest avenues in the school year for our students to learn and demonstrate leadership, participation and citizenship traits.

The concert will run on December 18 at 1:30pm (dress rehearsal) and 7:00pm. Both performances are open to the public. December 19 is a backup date, should the concert have to be postponed due to road or weather conditions on December 18.

The last day of classes for VCS is December 19.



Scheduling Change ...

Please take note:

Junior High Options have been moved from Monday and Wednesday afternoons to Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

Mondays and Wednesdays will now be Second Language classes for the last hour of the school day.

For students beginning the Archery option this term, please remember to dress appropriately for winter weather. We have a 10 minute walk to the Archery Club and a 10 minute walk back to the school. We go every option day regardless of the weather.

One final reminder: junior high options are designed to give students something enjoyable and different from core classes. If students find themselves getting seriously behind in homework and grades, they may be required to use the options blocks for studying instead.



Oh the anticipation!
The last group of semi-finalists will be announced shortly.

An interesting statistic for you:

45 students voting every day for 15 days gives us and additional **675 votes.**

That could very well make the difference in our getting into the semi finals or not!

Bus Drivers' Corner

Winter weather is here!

School Guidelines:

All students riding on school buses must wear, which is preferable, or carry with them, proper clothing appropriate for the weather conditions. If a student is not wearing, or does not have in their possession, appropriate clothing suitable for the weather conditions the bus driver shall advise the parent, principal and document the discussion. In a situation that the Principal determines to be of significant risk to the student he/she may decide to keep the student at the school until they have appropriate clothing or the parent picks them up. Bundle up! It is VCS Policy.

(Please note: several students have had to be picked up after school by parents as they came to school with inadequate winter clothing to ride the bus.)



Mark Standring, the Transportation Director will become familiar with the VCS, 4 bus routes over the coming weeks. Please expect some late pick-ups and drop-offs. We're sorry for any inconvenience.

Transportation Directors planned bus driving schedule:

- Nov 12-14, Jason Bratland's route;
- Nov 18-20, Janelle Trodd's route;
- Nov 25-27, Pat Moutray's route;
- Dec 2-4, Vicki Leman's route.

Thank you,

Mark Standring Transportation Director 780.897.3517

Upcoming Events

November 27

Typhoon Haiyan Bake Sale
Support the relief effort!

December 2

School Council Meeting 7pm

December 6

CSW
No School

December 17

VSF Board Meeting 6pm

December 18

VCS Christmas Concert
1:30pm & 7pm

December 19

Family & Student Potluck 12pm @ VCS

December 20

CSW
No School

December 21—January 5

Christmas Break!

January 6

1st day of School in 2014!

Valhalla School Foundation

The Charter Board would like to announce that we have passed a resolution to name Tracy Campbell as our new interim director at our November regular board meeting. Tracy has returned to our community after living with her family overseas and now works as a health care professional in Beaverlodge. She has one child in our school. We look forward to her contributions to the board.

Jolene Kochendorfer (Chair) [\(780\) 356-2114](tel:7803562114)

Win a free family meal from your School Council!

A large 2 topping pizza from Anna's Pizza, just for reading our newsletter!

Sign this slip, have your child return it to the office draw box.

Winner will be drawn at next month's assembly!

Students Name _____ Parent's Signature _____



Christmas Concert Silent Auction Donations

Every year at the school Christmas Concert, School Council holds a silent auction. Our school council contributes to our school in many ways, one of them being an annual silent auction to raise much needed funds for supporting our students. This is the School Council's only fundraiser of the year. The Christmas concert is open to all VCS families and to the community and is scheduled for December 18th, 2013.

Any donations for the fundraiser are welcome. A letter is available at the office or through school council for you to take to anyone who might interested in donating. This is also a great time to talk to people about the fundraiser so they come to the concert prepared to bid! Please contact Barb Lind, School Council President @ 780.882.4508 or the school office 780.356.2370 for the letter.

Basketball Coming On!

Boys basketball tryouts for grade 6- 9's, will be held **Thursday, November 28 and December 5th from 3:45 to 5:15 p.m.**

Students must have a note from home giving permission to stay and saying they have a ride home at 5:15 p.m.

VCS Student Council brings you:



NERD DAY!!

Thursday, November 28

Dress up as your nerdiest self!

BAKE SALE!!

Grade 8 Class is raising money for

Typhoon Haiyan relief

Bring money to buy baked goods. All items \$1.00

Wednesday, November 27



Drama Club

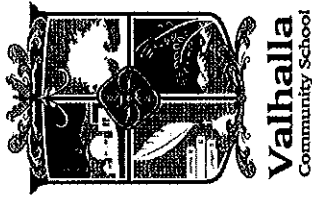
Drama Club will resume this Wednesday November 25th. After school till 5pm.

*Thank you,
Mrs. LeBlanc*

Potluck Lunch

The School Council will be hosting a Student and Family Potluck here at VCS on Thursday December 19th, 12pm. All families are welcome to attend. Please bring a potluck item and join all of the staff, students and parents for lunch together.





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 School Council Meeting 7pm	3	4	5	6 CSW	7
8	9	10 School Assembly 12:40pm	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 School Board Meeting 6pm	18 Christmas Concert 1:30 & 7pm	19 VCS Family & Student Potluck	20	21
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Valhalla Centre
 December 21 -
 January 5
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