



Village School

Middle School for Girls

NEWSLETTER

September 7, 2018

Welcome Back!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help with activities and events this year. Please see the sheet with the list of volunteer confirmations below. We still need help with Fun Fair: games (6th Grade), raffle (7th Grade) and basketball coaches for 5th, 6th, and 8th grades. In several activities, we had more volunteers than needed. If you were not assigned a particular job and would still like to be involved with the activity, please contact the office.

Our first Founder's Day celebration was September 5. The girls had a great time celebrating and hearing first hand from Mr. Knorr and Mr. Heartwell about starting Village School.

Pictures taken the first week of school and Founders' Day are on the website Student Life page (username: guest password: girlpower2018).

Back to School Night is Thursday, September 27 at 7:00pm

Math Club will not start the week of September 10th. Details of the finalized meeting schedule will be announced in next week's newsletter.

The second annual ESTEAM for Girls Summit will take place at Albemarle High School from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. All students are encouraged to register for this free event and enjoy a day of hands-on activities in the fields of Entrepreneurship, Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics. Students in grades 5-8 will get a chance to engage with mentors and career professionals in real-life simulations and in leadership activities. 7th and 8th graders who can volunteer an hour or more of their time at the ESTEAM Summit to share informally with participants about Village School's GEM Fun Day and GEM Tournament. If your daughter is interested in helping, please email Ms. Tassell with her availability. Volunteers may also participate in the summit.

7th Grade Families, the trip to Port Isobel is September 23-25.

More information on the trip and a sign-up sheet for food donations will be available soon.

The 5th Grade Class is going to Jamestown November 7-8.

Chaperone/drivers are needed.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

Hannah Cohn Somers: 9/4 and Mr. Wells: 9/12

Village School Calendar

- **September 23-25: 7th Grade to Port Isobel**
- **September 24: Staff Development Day (No School)**
- **September 26: September Birthday Celebration**
- **September 27: Back to School Night, 7:00 pm**
- **October 5: 5th and 6th Grade Parent Conferences (No School)**
- **October 8: 7th and 8th Grade Parent Conferences (No School)**
- **October 16: 7th and 8th Grade Dads' Lunch, 12:00 pm**
- **October 19: 5th and 6th Grade Dads' Lunch, 12:30 pm**
- **October 24: Birthday Celebration for October**
- **October 29: Teacher Workday (No School)**
- **October 31: Halloween Celebration**
- **November 7-8: 5th Grade Trip to Jamestown**
- **November 9: 6th Grade to Wild Rock**

“We are now at a point where we must educate our children in what no one knew yesterday, and prepare our schools for what no one knows yet.”-- Margaret Mead

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2018-2019 Volunteer Confirmations

*Village School thrives on the assistance of parents and friends who are willing to lend a helping hand! Your talents and special skills can do so much to build our community of learners.
Please check the areas in which you would be willing to help.*

Volunteer Coordinators

Volunteer coordinators organize class-wide donations/activities such as Halloween Celebration food donations, Graduation Food donations, Fun Fair Class Baskets and (optional) teacher gifts.

Volunteer representative for 5th grade **Lisa Stendig**

Volunteer representative for 6th grade **Elvira Hoskins**

Volunteer representative for 7th grade **Bethany Cieslowski, Anita Gupta**

Volunteer representative for 8th grade **Tracy MacDonald**

Event Organizers

Event organizers, working with VS staff plan the events listed below. They then coordinate volunteers and supplies, and other logistics.

Box tops for Education: Collect and periodically mail in Box tops (All Year): **Melissa Wiley**

Soup kitchen: Schedule chaperones; act as school liaison with volunteers (All Year): **Alieda Keevil**

Craft Fair (6th grade): Plan the layout of tables; advertise; manage set up, clean up and smooth flow of the event; usually done with two organizers (November/December): **Joe Hoskins, Maya Mathews, Jane Gargett, Alexis Ryan**

Open House: Plan and set up food and drink for annual Open House for prospective students on November 3; schedule other parent volunteers to host and talk to prospective parents (late October/early November): **Sarah Stadler, Katie Stiffler, Jen Slaughter, Margarita Caldentry, Stephanie Bolton, Lindsay Diamond, Cali Hendricks**

Fun Fair Organize Food (5th grade), Games (6th grade), Raffle (7th grade), and Cake Walk (8th grade): **Colleen Beights, Tania Thomas, Aaron Feldman, Melina Vaughan**

G.E.M Tournament Committee: Help with tournament fundraiser; organize parent volunteers for the tournament; solicit donations of prizes and awards; help with logistics: **Jane Jackson, Inessa Telefus, Colleen Bassett, Anita Gupta**

Parent Social Events: Plan food, and drinks for Parent- Pot Luck twice a year (fall and spring) and other events: **Sarah Stadler, Christina Ward-Niven, Natalie Masri, Caroline and Shane Cook, Lauren Ryan, Colleen Bassett, Tom Bevacqua, Cali Hendricks, Christine Hollins**

Take Our Daughters to Work Day: Plan and organize speakers and/or activities for Village School students (March/April): **TBA**

Athletics Ambassador: Organize logistics and keep the Village School community informed on organized sports opportunities for middle school girls: **Colleen Bassett**

Chromebook Help: Help with Chromebook repairs, wiping, broken screens, missing or damaged OS, mouse repairs: **Sarah Stadler, Jane Gargett, Diane Curtis, Colleen Bassett, Jim Zuffoletti,**

Basketball Coaching for VABA league for all grades at Village School; two coaches are needed for each grade (Winter)

5th: **Bryan Slaughter (assistant)**

6th:

7th: **Tim Heaphy, Brian Bassett (assistant)**

8th: **Chris McLean (assistant)**



5th Grade Trip to Williamsburg/Jamestown November 7-8 2018

Dear 5th Grade Parents,

The 5th grade will take an overnight trip to Williamsburg and Jamestown. **We will leave early on the morning of Wednesday November 7, and return by dismissal Thursday, November 8** (traffic permitting).

On Wednesday, students will visit **Jamestown Settlement**, including the living history outdoor tour and the archaeological sites and museum run by the National Park Service. The 5th graders are studying the Jamestown settlement, so this will be a well-timed hands-on experience. We will spend the night at the **Great Wolf Lodge**, which has an **indoor water park**. On Thursday morning they will tour the **Virginia Living Museum**, have lunch, and head for home. Mr. Knorr will be accompanying the class on this trip.

We need help from **four 5th grade moms with driving and chaperoning**. The 5th grade moms will be sleeping in the rooms with students. Dads are welcome to join the trip, but would need to pay for additional rooms and other fees. Mom's, please email Mariah if you are interested in chaperoning with how many you can take in your car. Dads please feel free to contact Mariah if you are interested in joining the trip as well.

Please contact Mariah if you have any concerns about your daughter swimming in the water park. There will be guards and adult supervision.

Thank you for your help.