



Vail Farm Family Newsletter

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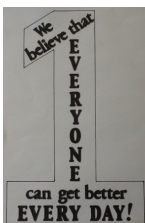
April 2019

Michael Setaro, Assistant Principal

The Arlington Central School District mission is to empower all students to be self-directed, lifelong learners, who willingly contribute to their community, and lead passionate, purposeful lives.



- 1 VFES Blood Drive 3-8 PM
- 2 & 3 NYS ELA Test (GR 3-5)
- 5 PTA Spirit Wear Day
- 6 ACSD Arts Fair @ LMS 11-4
- 8-12 PTA Book Fair
- 9 ACSD BOE Meeting, Traver Road @ 7 PM
- 15-22 Spring Break
- 23 ACSD BOE Meeting, CAO @ 7 PM
- 24 GR 1 Residency



We Read as ONE

Dear Vail Farm Families:

Once again, Vail Farm is getting students excited about reading with our “We Read As ONE” campaign. On **Tuesday, April 9** we will gather as a whole school for a kick off assembly to get students excited and reveal the title of this year’s book. ***All students will receive a copy of the book on that day.***

The year’s title takes us back to the first flight. This allows for an opportunity to do some research and exploration. We will conclude our read with a school wide Build-It Challenge.

Individual classes may engage in a read aloud with their classroom teacher, host guest readers, engage in buddy reading, and/or have students read independently in the classroom if able to. In addition, we encourage you to read aloud with your child at home as well. According to the developers of One School, One Book program, “...the benefits of reading aloud are remarkable—studies have shown that reading to children helps them to listen better and longer, build bigger vocabularies, understand concepts better, feel positive about both books and learning, and more. When an entire school reads the same book, the buzz and excitement around the book being read increases these benefits, and there is the added joy for building community in the school family.”

On Tuesday, April 9 we will send home a calendar containing the approximate chapters that students will read; it may vary class to class but the goal is that all classes will complete the book by Thursday, May 9.

Happy Reading,

VFE Faculty & Staff

Thank you VFE Community! Family Fun Night on March 29 was a huge success! Everyone had a fun time and we raised over \$7000 for





April 3 @ 7 PM in Library
PTA Meeting

April 5
Spirit Wear Day



April 8



Color Run Envelope Due
(Sellers will not qualify for prizes for donations received after this date.)

April 8-12
Book Fair
Buy One, Get One
Free



We are always collecting Box Tops. If each child could bring in at least 10, we will reach our end of year goal.

If anyone wants to be on the color run committee please email us at VFESPTA2017@gmail.com



March was a very busy month for Student Council. The students were able to meet with Lisa Starzyk from the New York Blood Center. Ms. Starzyk prepared the students for working at the upcoming blood drive on April 1, 2019. Thank you to all who were able to come out and support this wonderful cause!

In addition, the students worked with ACSD to support the "Cram the Classroom" drive. "Cram the Classroom", Arlington's district-wide food drive, is entering its final week. **Please bring in your donations by Thursday, April 4.** April 1 - April 4 is Canned Food Week: Canned Fruit, Canned Vegetables, Canned Meat (Chili, Tuna, Hash, Stew). **NO** pumpkin or cranberries, please! All non-perishable food is welcome! Donations benefit Dutchess Outreach. Thank you for helping our friends and neighbors in need!

For the month of April, the student council will be working on additional fundraisers to help support our local community. Be on the lookout for information coming home soon. Thank you to all the Vail Farm families for their continued support!



NYS Testing
Students in Grades 3-5

ELA—April 2 & 3

Math— May 1 & 2