

Vail Farm Elementary School

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Vail Farm Family Newsletter September



➤ WELCOME!

We are ready for another successful, productive school year. The students seemed excited and ready to learn Thursday morning. If you ever have any questions or concerns please feel free to give us a call, 845-223-8030 or send an email: Mrs. Khare: CKhare@acsdny.org or Mr. Setaro: MSetaro@acsdny.org Don't forget to follow us on Twitter: @MrsKhareVFE @Mr_Setaro



➤ **FORMS** - Don't forget to turn in the forms that need to be filled out for your child. These forms were sent home on the first days of school. Your child's teacher will be collecting them. If applicable, please make sure that our office has updated any court and/or custody orders.

➤ **FALL CURRICULUM NIGHTS-6:30 PM, VFE Cafeteria***—You are invited to come and meet your child's classroom teacher and support teachers. Information about grade level curriculum, classroom and teacher expectations, and our educational programs are discussed. Curriculum Night is an important step in establishing a positive and supportive relationship with your child's teacher and school. **This evening is for parent(s)/guardian(s) only, so please plan accordingly.**

Monday, September 9 – Kindergarten, Grade 1, Mrs. J. Sullivan

Tuesday, September 10 – Grade 2, 3, Mrs. Rosselli, Ms. Catavero, Ms. Haight, Ms. Schwarze

Monday, September 16 – Grade 4, 5, Ms. Davies

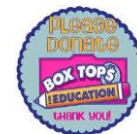
*Curriculum Night will begin each night at 6:30 PM in the cafeteria where support teachers will be available to speak about their classrooms.

➤ PTA News

- Tuesday, September 10 - Fall Fundraiser Goes Home
- Thursday, September 12 – PTA Meeting, 7 PM in the Library
- Friday, September 27 – PTA Harvest Night

Become a PTA member by 9/30 and you will be entered to win a yearbook or Barnes & Noble gift card.

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District Wide Visitor Policy & Procedures

In April 2014, the Arlington Board of Education approved a policy establishing visitor protocols for our schools and for the Central Administrative Office (CAO). Any person who is not a district employee or student at the school is considered a visitor. **All visitors must have a scheduled appointment or meeting in order to enter the school building.** Appointments must be made in order to volunteer in your child's classroom, to discuss concerns with a teacher or administrator, or to meet with any other school personnel. **If you need to drop something off for your child, you are welcome to leave the item with the greeter.**

When visiting a school or the CAO please adhere to the following procedures:

- All visitors must enter through the designated main entrance of the school
- In order to be buzzed into the building, please show a photo ID to the camera
- Report directly to the security greeter
- Be prepared to show your photo identification to the greeter and explain your reason for visiting
- Provided you have an appointment, the greeter will sign you in on the register and issue a visitor badge
- The badge must be worn and displayed at all times while in the school or on school grounds
- When your visit is complete, return the badge to the security greeter and exit the building.

We realize that following these procedures may take a few extra minutes, but for the safety of our students and staff, we appreciate your cooperation. Together, we can make our schools a safer place for our children to learn. We look forward to a successful and safe school year.

Parent Pick Up at Dismissal

We encourage your child to take the bus to and from school. If you must pick up your child, please note that there is minimal parking available particularly at dismissal time. You may only park in a parking spot. You may NOT park in a fire lane, handicapped parking (unless you have a handicap sticker), cross walks, the curb, or the grass. Also, please make sure you have ID and have sent a note in with your child indicating he/she will be picked up. Any changes must be made with a call to the office no later than 2:45.

Pick Up Protocols:

- District-wide "Visitors to School" policy in place; please have identification with you.
- Entrance through the main lobby will begin at 3:10 PM. No admittance for pick-up prior to this time.
- Present identification to the greeter and wait on line in main lobby.
- Children who have permanent or daily pick up notes will be sent to the music hallway and will be sitting by grade level.
- Check student out with staff member by doors in main lobby near music hallway and exit through main lobby door.
- Parents who have business in the school after dismissal are asked to report to the main office and should not go beyond the main lobby.

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