



# VCMS E Bulletin Friday Edition

*November 18, 2011*

*For I know the plans I have for you declares the Lord,  
plans to prosper you and not to harm you,  
plans to give you hope and a future.  
Than you will call upon me and come and pray to me,  
and I will listen to you.  
You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.  
Jeremiah 29: 11-13*

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*School is closed Monday, 11/21 - Friday, 11/25  
Extended Care is available Monday, 11/21 - 11/22  
Our entire campus is closed 11/23 - 11/25  
We pray you all have a wonderful, thankful holiday.  
When we count our blessings we count all of you twice!!*

## **Progress Reports are going home today!!**

We are half way through the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. Progress Reports have been run. We are only mailing home progress reports to those students who have received a C- or below in any given class.

Academic Probation Reports have also been run and contact has been made with the students who are on academic probation this reporting period. To be able to participate in our sports program students must have a GPA of a 2.0 or better with no F's. It is basketball season and those students who are ineligible to participate because of their academics have been notified. If you have any questions, we can be reached at 446-1776 ext. 4056.

When we come back from Thanksgiving break we will have one more week of academics before we begin "dead week". Dead week is the week we spend going over study guides and preparing the students for finals. Finals begin Tuesday, December 13. Christmas break marks the end of Semester 1 of the 2011-2012 school year. When we get back, we are officially half way through this school year. Please, please encourage your students to finish strong.

## 'Tis the Season for Shopping with Scrip



Christmas is quickly approaching and there are 36 days left in the shopping season! With Scrip you can purchase your holiday gifts and treats from all your favorite stores or use the gift cards as simple and quick gifts themselves!

Why use scrip? Scrip programs offer a way for local retailers to donate proceeds back to our local schools. Scrip are gift cards. It is the same as cash. Simply place your scrip order with us on Monday and we will fill your order and have it back to you by that Friday. This service doesn't cost you anything extra. The benefit to us is that the retailers donate a percentage of every gift card sold back to VCS. The benefit to you is there is no extra cost, you know you are helping raise money for our school and if you need to purchase a gift card as a gift you don't have to go to the store we can take care of that transaction for you. Again, simply select the places you already shop, select the amount you would like to spend, and a gift card is issued to you. Does a weekly trip to Target usually cost you \$100? Purchase a scrip card for that amount and 2% of that \$100 comes back to VCS!

Order forms are available on the VCS website at:  
<http://www.go-vcs.com/destiny/scrip.aspx>

Don't forget to return your order forms on Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>.  
Your student may turn the form into the MS office or you can drop it off in the Business Office.  
Order forms are due every Monday and scrip cards are available for pick-up every Friday!  
Shop. Support. Simple!

### Wondering where to use Scrip?

American Eagle  
Barnes & Noble  
Bath & Body Works  
Best Buy  
Edwards Theaters  
Family Christian Stores  
Home Depot  
Kohl's  
Macy's  
Old Navy  
Starbucks  
Target  
WalMart  
And many, many more!!!

## Attention 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students!

"A Day in the Life of a High Schooler"  
Tuesday, November 29, 2011

8<sup>th</sup> grade parents and students please mark your calendar!! Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> is the day you have all been waiting for. It's the day our 8<sup>th</sup> grader students travel to the High School to experience all that is VCHS!! Can I get a WOO HOO!!

During 7<sup>th</sup> period today, your 8<sup>th</sup> grade student completed a student questionnaire about high school interests. This questionnaire was collected and forwarded to Mrs. Fogh in preparation for your 8<sup>th</sup> graders day in the HS. The HS would like to learn a bit more about our 8<sup>th</sup> graders so they can try to match our students up with a high school student with similar interests.

We are really excited about being able to offer this experience to our students. They get to attend HS school chapel and travel to several classes with their HS buddy. Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup> HS will be hosting an 8<sup>th</sup> grade Open house. Stay tuned for details.



## VCS Radio Conservatory of Music

Presents

The VCS Radio Symphony

Tuesday, November 29, 2011

Merriment on Main

7:45P.M. – 8:30 P.M.

At

The McBride Center

91 Town Square Place

Vacaville, California



VCS is partnering with Fresh and Easy.

If you shop at the new Fresh & Easy Market at 615 Elmira Road in Vacaville SAVE YOUR RECEIPTS! For every \$20 receipt turned in to VCS, VCS earns \$1. It is very easy, simply shop at Fresh & Easy, save your receipts, stop by your school office and drop the receipts in the box OR send the receipts with your child and their teacher will get the receipts in the box for you. The Shop for Schools receipt program runs now through December 31st. If VCS brings in the most money through the receipt program VCS will receive an additional \$5,000 towards helping with our Annual Fund (i.e. tuition assistance, curriculum, maintenance, etc.). This is one of those fundraisers where you can partner with VCS while you are doing your normal routine. No extra money from your pocket just support in the form of a receipt. Thank you in advance for participating with Fresh & Easy Neighborhood Markets through their Shop for Schools program.

**Mark your Calendar**

**December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

**Middle School Christmas Party**

**5:00 - 8:00 pm**

**\$ 15.00**  
\$ 17.00 @ the door

Parent involvement is appreciated and hours will be counted as HIS Hours.



## Sporting News

***Please note: Middle School Finals are right around the corner!***

Mark your calendars, **December 13 – 16**; all Middle School Students are taking Semester 1 finals. The final exam will count for 15% of the semester grade for 8<sup>th</sup> graders, 10% for 7<sup>th</sup> graders, and 5% for 6<sup>th</sup> graders. **No Pre-planned absences will be granted during finals week (see handbook, page 30).** Please be sure to schedule any travel plans for after the 16<sup>th</sup> to ensure that your student is here for final's week. A special exam schedule will be published in the coming weeks.

## MS Calendar of Events

### Upcoming Dates and Events

- 11/18 - Progress Reports sent home
- 11/21 - 11/25 - Thanksgiving Break / **No School**/ Extended care available Nov 21<sup>st</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup>
- 11/29 - 8<sup>th</sup> grade to the HS
- 12/09 - Middle School Christmas Party 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- 12/13 - 12/16 - MS Finals / Minimum Days / **No Pre-planned Absences will be issued and/or approved**
- 12/13 - 12/16 - Minimum Days
- 12/19 - 01/02 - Christmas Break / **No School**
- 01/03 - School resumes / 2<sup>nd</sup> semester begins
- 01/10 - MS 1<sup>st</sup> Semester Academic Awards Chapel
- 01/16 - Martin Luther King Holiday
- 01/25 - 8<sup>th</sup> grade to visit HS for the day
- 01/25 - 8<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> grade Open House 6:00 - 8:00 @ the HS
- 01/27 - Re-enrollment packets distributed

**3 months are still open!!**

February, March, and April!!!



Thank you to the volunteers who have already braved the elements of MS Morning Carpool. Your willingness to serve allows our teachers the opportunity to attend morning devotions and grade

level meetings. They start their days refreshed and inspired. Thank you. To those parents and a Grandmother who are about to serve. We thank you and we have hot coffee in the office. ☺

How does this benefit you, the volunteer you ask, well with just a one month commitment every morning from 7:20 am to 7:45 am, Mrs. Ripley will **SIGN OFF ON ALL 20 HOURS of your required H.I.S. CLUB HOURS?** 20 minutes every morning for one month not a bad deal.

If you are able to assist, please email Mrs. Kunde at [Carolyn.kunde@go-vcs.com](mailto:Carolyn.kunde@go-vcs.com).