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# Valley View Elementary

Newsletter

March 2012

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mar 2	<b>NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS Teacher Inservice</b>
Mar 12	<b>PTO Meeting 7:00 pm Staff Dev.Room</b>
Mar 16	<b>CTC Dodgeball Tourney 6:30pm</b>
Mar 19	<b>YS School Board Meeting 7:30 pm</b>
Mar 22	<b>Incoming Kdg Pre-registration Meeting 7 pm</b>
Mar 23	<b>NO SCHOOL FOR VV/YES ONLY Conference Day</b>
Mar 29, 30	<b>Kdg Registration by appointment</b>

## Arts Night

Arts Night will be held on April 19th. We are finalizing plans, and you will receive an update with the specifics. Artwork from our students will be displayed, and you won't want to miss the musical performances of Grades 1 and 2!



## Kindness Campaign

We have such KIND students at Valley View! February has been FRIENDSHIP MONTH where we have been practicing acts of KINDNESS at school, at home, in the community, and even internationally!

Students have decorated our hallways with hearts that represent the KIND acts that they are doing at home and in their community! Thanks for your support of this at home! The students also made Valentine Kindness cards that were shared with the shut in community at White Rose.

FINALLY—WE ARE IN THE FINAL DAYS OF OUR KINDNESS COIN DRIVE!! We are trying to raise enough money to purchase an animal that will change the lives of an international family through the Heifer INTERNATIONAL Organization! We are anxious to count our coins to see how we can share our KINDNESS in another country. Students learned about the project through a book called BEATRICE'S GOAT. Perhaps we will raise enough money to bless a family with a goat! If you are planning to donate, please do so by March 1st!

Thanks for your support of our KINDNESS CAMPAIGN activities this year!



## K Registration

Kindergarten registration is being held at the end of this month. If you or someone you know (a classmate's family, a neighbor or community friend) has a child who is of age to enter kindergarten this fall, please review/share the information on page TWO of this newsletter.

## DATES TO NOTE

Please note the following dates when Valley View students will not be in session.

Friday, March 2 – Staff Development Day

Friday, March 23 – Parent /Teacher Conference Day (for VV and YES only)—all other schools are in session and the cycle day does count. VV students return on Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup> when it will be Day 1.



## Bear Week



### B.E.A.R. stands for Be Excited About Reading!

BEAR Week has been an annual event at Valley View and we're keeping the tradition alive. The purpose of BEAR Week is to encourage students and their families to focus on the importance of reading and to continue developing a LOVE for reading. This has become a wonderful tradition for our primary students.

This year we will be enjoying reading activities throughout our days during school hours so ALL students can participate. We will celebrate in conjunction with Read Across America Week in commemoration of Dr. Seuss' birthday. BEAR Week began on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup> and will run through Thursday, March 1st.

Detailed information was sent home last week---but here's a bulleted reminder list of what you might want to know to prepare your reader for school:

**MONDAY 2/27** – Wear something **RED** to celebrate the KICK OFF of reading week and to honor the Cat in the Hat!

**TUESDAY 2/28** – Wear socks and/or shoes that don't match because Fox in Sox and the Foot Book are the focus of the day!

**WEDNESDAY 2/29** – Wear green in honor of Green Eggs and Ham! Yum!

**THURSDAY 3/1** – Wear a shirt with WORDS on it and bring your favorite book to school so you can join in our READING PARADE!

**A special thank you to our families for emphasizing the IMPORTANCE of reading at home every day!**

### Kindergarten Registration

York Suburban School District is preparing for Kindergarten Registration for the 2012-2013 school year. Appointments will take place on Thursday, March 29 and Friday, March 30 at Valley View. Children who will be 5 before September 1st are eligible to enroll in kindergarten. Children who are 6 before September 1st are eligible to enroll in first grade. **NOTE:** Children who attend a private school/daycare kindergarten **are still required** to meet these age requirements. Also, if your child is already attending York Suburban as a kindergarten student, it will not be necessary to register them as a first grader.

Visit our website at [www.yssd.org](http://www.yssd.org) and click on Valley View Elementary (under the Buildings tab). By following the links, you will create an account with a user name (your email address) and password. This information is used strictly to permit you to save all your information and complete or print the forms later. Next, complete the registration forms. (If you do not wish to complete this information on-line, you do have the option to print a blank packet of forms that can be completed by hand. If you cannot print the forms and would like them mailed to you, please call us at 885-1220.) **Please do not sign the forms. You will need to sign all forms during your appointment. You will need to provide a picture ID when signing forms.** Schedule your appointment (click on the link below the registration forms) to complete the registration process for your child.

Attend the **Pre-Registration Meeting** (optional) on **Thursday, March 22, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Valley View Staff Development Room. **This informational meeting is for parents only.**

**Registration appointments** will be held at Valley View Elementary. Please bring your child's birth certificate, immunization records, proof of residency (copy of sales agreement/contract with settlement date, current real estate tax bill, lease rental agreement, or rent receipt), **and** your child.