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VMMS FRIDAY FLYER VMMS

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VETERANS MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

CALLING ALL VETERANS!!!

VMMS would like students who have family members who served in the military to be honored at our Veterans Day Celebration. Please contact Dr. Gwen Breazeale @ gbreazeale@mcsdga.net with the student name, homeroom teacher's name, veteran's name, indicate if the veteran will be attending the celebration, indicate if the veteran being honored is deceased, give the veteran's branch of service, and write a short bio about the veteran. Photos of the veteran are also welcome. The Veterans Day Celebration will be November 10, 2009 from 2:45 to 3:30 PM.

CALLING ALL PHONE BOOKS!!!!!!

Help Veterans Memorial Middle School do their part with Keep Columbus Beautiful by recycling telephone books. We could win a cash prize of \$500.00! Donate old telephone books to any science teacher. Ask parents to ask for the books at work. Collect books from big corporations including hotels. Last date to turn them in is January 22, 2010. Contact person: Rosie Cox

ESSENTIAL 51 "STUDENT OF THE WEEK" RULES FOR NEXT WEEK! (NOV 2-6)

Rule 16

Homework will be turned in each day for each subject by every student with no exceptions.

Rule 17

When we are in transition from one activity to another or lining up to leave the class, the change will be swift, quiet and orderly. We should be consistently able to transition as quickly as possible. The opportune amount of time to spend in transition should be less than ten seconds, and we will work toward a goal of seven seconds.

SAFE HALLOWEEN ALTERNATIVE

Event: The Million Minute Family Challenge

Date: Saturday, October 31, 2009

Time: 1:00-4:00

Place: Columbus Public Library

The event is free and open to the public! They will have food, drinks, candy, balloons and best of all GAMES!!

Kids may wear their costumes if they'd like!! For more info check out: www.millionminute.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

10-DAY	PTSA 100% Membership Pizza Party ITBS Testing 6th Grade 5PM Volleyball Tri-match Marshall, VMMS @ East Columbus Red Ribbon & National Dropout Prevention Week 23-31 October Canned Food Drive – To Benefit Valley Rescue Mission!
SAT 31	HAPPY BIRTHDAY! – Jackie Pugh HAPPY BIRTHDAY! – Tamiaka Spencer Red Ribbon & National Dropout Prevention Week 23-31 October Canned Food Drive to Benefit Valley Rescue Mission!!! Come to Bradley Park Car Wash 11:30 – 1:30 to donate or help collect canned goods
MON 2	6:30 Band Booster Club Meeting 4:00 Tennis Match - Midland Middle School, at Cooper Creek Canned Food Drive – To Benefit Valley Rescue Mission!
TUES 3	HAPPY BIRTHDAY! – Heather Jay 5PM Volleyball Tri-match Baker, VMMS @ DCMS Canned Food Drive – To Benefit Valley Rescue Mission!
WED 4	4:00 Tennis Match - East Columbus, at Phenix City Canned Food Drive – To Benefit Valley Rescue Mission!
THURS 5	HAPPY BIRTHDAY! – Becky Bristow Canned Food Drive – To Benefit Valley Rescue Mission!
FRI 6	PTSA Breakfast for VMMS Faculty & Staff 5PM Volleyball Tri-match Arnold, BRMS @ VMMS Canned Food Drive – To Benefit Valley Rescue Mission!
SAT 7	Canned Food Drive to Benefit Valley Rescue Mission!!! Come to Bradley Park Car Wash 11:30 – 1:30 to donate or help collect canned goods!

**CONGRATS TO MRS. PHARRIS FOR WINNING THE GOLDEN APPLE AWARD!
SHE WAS FEATURED ON THE WRBL NEWS THIS WEEK! WELL DESERVED!**

PTSA NEWS

Thank you to everyone who bought tickets to the PTSA Raffle. We made almost \$9,000. We will use this money to help VMMS continue to be the best Middle School in Columbus. Thank you to everyone who helped make this event such a success. Thank you Brenda Reed, Mrs. Blanton, and Debbie Hall. I especially want to thank Cheri Winterfeld. We could not have done it without you. Thank you to the teachers who helped encourage your students. Thank you to Mrs. Simonton, Mrs. Lewis, and Mrs. Parker for helping to keep us straight. And finally, thank you to Mrs. Knight and Dr. Thomas for all your help and support.

The PTSA will be hosting a breakfast on Friday, November 6th for the VMMS faculty & staff. We need parent volunteers to send in breakfast items such as pastries, bagels, muffins, or any other breakfast items you would like to donate. Your child may drop the items off at the office on the morning of Nov. 6th. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer at the breakfast, please contact Cindy Bell, PTA Hospitality Chairperson at 706-660-9059 or by email at Cindybell@knology.net. Thank you VMMS parents for all your help & support!



VMMS STUDENT GROUPS SCHEDULED TO WORK @

BRADLEY PARK CAR WASH!

The following groups are scheduled to work at Bradley Park Car Wash on the dates below from 11:30-1:30 PM. If your child is a cheerleader, peer helper, in girl power, youth alive, advanced pathways, pep squad, dance team or student council; please make every effort to bring your child on the date(s) his/her group is scheduled for. These are all Saturdays! Remember to bring 4 canned goods & get a discount on a car wash! Thank you so much for your support... Students should dress in VMMS Spirit Wear.

SCHEDULE

Oct 31- Pat Gilbert (Youth Alive) & VMMS Students
Nov 7- Kim Jordan (PIE Volunteer) & Advanced Pathways
Nov 14- Pep Squad, Dance Team, & Student Council

BRADLEY PARK CAR WASH PROMOTION DURING FOOD DRIVE:

Bring Four (4) cans of food on food drive dates & receive \$1.00 off the Silver or Gold Wash or \$2.00 off the Platinum Wash

BAND BOOSTER CLUB MEETING

November 2nd – 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria – All Band parents should make plans to attend

BOOSTER CLUB T-SHIRTS!

VMMS Athletic Booster Club is selling adult t-shirts for \$10.00 each. Sizes L – 4XL Red, Navy Blue, or White. Email ddmccullar@aol.com with your order. Limited supply!

WEAR A COSTUME FOR \$5.00!

Friday, October 30th, students may wear a costume to school for \$5.00. Please remind students, if they are worried about the costume being inappropriate, it probably is. All proceeds will help send teachers to the Ron Clark Academy for training!

CONGRATS TO DR. MORRIS

Congrats to Dr. Morris for recently earning her doctorate degree. Way to go!

PTSA BREAKFAST FOR THE FACULTY & STAFF!

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BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION!

Parents and students, this year the VMMS chorus will continue doing Box Tops for Education as one of our fundraisers. Please be on the lookout for any items you may have that have a Box Top for Education label on them. Cut them out, place them in a bag and turn them into the box in the main office or the chorus teacher, Ms. Roland. This is a great way to earn money and the more people that pitch in the better. Last year over \$700 was earned just by clipping out box top labels. This money is spent buying equipment, music, paying for performance fees etc. Thank you, Heather Roland

SARA SPANO CLOTHING BANK VOLUNTEERS!

Please email rdlmg@hotmail.com if you would like to volunteer at the Sara Spano Clothing Bank on one of the following dates: December 15th, and/or December 17th.

SCOLIOSIS SCREENING DATE CHANGE!

The date for Scoliosis Screening was changed from 10/20 (during ITBS) to 12/3. Permission forms will be distributed to students prior to the screening date. If you do not wish for your child to participate in the screening, you must complete, sign and return the bottom portion of the consent form prior to the screening date.

BASKETBALL WILL BEGIN IN DECEMBER.

TRACK WILL BEGIN IN MARCH.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR PARTNERS IN EDUCATION:

Bradley Park Car Wash

Honey Baked Ham

American & International Moving & Storage

Play & Trade Video Game Store

CONTESTS

SCIENCE FAIR!

It's VMMS Science Fair time again! This year all students are required to participate by doing a science fair project. Students will be able to work alone or in groups of up to three (pending teacher approval). The projected due date for projects is 20 Nov. The VMMS Science Fair will be held in the library 3-4 Dec. Winners will be selected to move on to the regional science fair at CSU. If you are interested in being a "science buddy" to help advise students in conducting experiments or would like to be a judge please contact Ms. Hedger thedger@mcsdga.net.