



Parent Weekly Rainbow

V3 Wk. 2

08/17/25



PRINCIPAL DIXON'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

Greetings Unicorn Families!

Thank you for an amazing first week back! We are off to establishing routines and conditions for rigorous learning. Students are excited to be back in the building, and we are just as excited to see their smiling faces each day! Thank you for all that you do to make the magic happen at Mt. Vernon.

I would like to remind parents to use the crosswalks during arrival in the mornings. This is going to keep you and our students safe during morning arrival. In the afternoon, the car circle is only for car pickup. Please DO NOT get out of your vehicle or walk-up as you will not be permitted on campus. Thank you for following our arrival/dismissal procedures.

Our partners, Rise Up Soccer, is offering a Fall Soccer Club for our female students, ages 7-12. Please look at the flyer that is shared below for more information.

Our first PTA meeting for this year will be held on Tuesday, August 19th at 6:00 p.m. in the media center. Please plan to join us as we begin planning an exciting year of support for the Mt. Vernon school family! Below, you will see the updates PTA Newsletter. Please review for upcoming important information from our PTA. Please consider joining PTA by sending in the \$10 membership fee in the envelope that will be provided in the 1st day packet coming home with your child on Monday.

Parents, please mark your calendars for August 27th. This is when we will host our Annual Title 1 Meeting/Open House. We would love for you to come in and see all the great things that will be going on in your child's classroom. Please plan to join us at 5:30 p.m.

We are looking forward to creating lasting memories for our students with your support. Thank you for your part in making this magic happen!
Principal Dixon



IMPORTANT DATES

SCHOOL SAFETY

August

- 19th August PTA Meeting 6:00 p.m. (Media Center)
- 21st Volunteer Training (11am-12pm)
- 27th Annual Title 1 Meeting/Open House 5:30 p.m. (Cafe)
- 27th World's Finest Chocolate Candy Bar Sales Kickoff

September

- 1st Labor Day; No School
- 4th Chuck e Cheeses Spirit Night (3pm - 9pm)
- 5th First Friday Family Lunch
(Please see published lunch schedule)
- 9th Skating Party (3:15-5:30) @ Astro Skate
- 10th Mid-Term Progress Reports go home
- 12th WFC Candy Bar sales end
- 15th ELP Cycle 1 begins (tentative)
- 16th September PTA Meeting 6:00 p.m. (Media Center)
- 18th PTA Fall Festival
- 19th Teacher Planning Day; no school for students

To ensure the safety of all, we ask that you adhere to the following safety protocols:

- Our campus opens for students at 8:15 a.m. each day. Please don't drop off or leave kids unattended prior to this time.
- Please use our car circle for pick-up and drop off unless your student walks to school. This is the safest and most efficient way for students to enter and exit the campus.
- Please do not drop students off in the street. This is very unsafe.
- School starts promptly at 8:45. Please ensure that your child arrives in a timely manner to arrive to class on time.
- Students arriving after 8:45, must be signed in at the front office with an adult.
- For the safety of all, please use the identified crosswalks when coming on campus.
- Visitors must enter through the front office when visiting our campus. Please have identification on you at all times.



NEWS YOU CAN USE...

- Attendance Matters...this is a friendly reminder that student attendance is essential to the work that we do. This includes late arrival and early pickups. Missed instructional time greatly impacts student success. Please try to have students to school, on time each day. Learning starts promptly at 8:45 each morning.
- Mt. Vernon will continue to be a House School. Please read all about our house system below or in your child's agenda/planner. Fridays are still house days, and we encourage students to wear their house shirts/colors on Fridays to show their house spirit.
- Student agendas will be used in grades K-5. Please make it a habit to check/sign (initial) your child's agenda each day.
- Our school website will be another communication tool, again this year. Each week, we will post the Parent Weekly Rainbow and other pertinent information on our website. Please plan on remaining informed by visiting our website frequently.



www.pcsb.org/safetyconcern

Please encourage your students to keep our campus safe by reporting anything that they see or hear that can jeopardize the safety of our campus. Thank you for your support of keeping our campus safe.

REMINDERS...

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The House system is a dynamic, exciting way to create a powerful and positive school climate. Students are celebrated for their efforts through a process that builds character, empowers academic excellence, fosters school spirit, enhances relationships, and promotes a culture of belonging for all. Here at Mt. Vernon, we welcome and celebrate all students no matter where they come from or what they have experienced in life. Every student has a place of belonging at Mt. Vernon.

Each house has a meaning, color, cheer, and chant. Each house has both student and staff house leaders. House leaders are responsible for teaching House specifics to the members. Houses participate in friendly competitions. Students that celebrate others are recognized the most! Although we have 4 houses, we are still one family!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Mrs. Sanders, our Family Community Liaison, is the point of contact for all volunteering. If you haven't already, please reactivate your volunteer status by completing the update that was emailed to you. Please don't wait to do this.

We currently have the following volunteer opportunities:

- Skating Party (September 9th)
- PTA/SAC Member (3rd Tuesday of each month)
- First Friday Lunch

PLEASE FOLLOW OUR PTA FB PAGE...

Search for: Mt. Vernon Elementary Parent Page

Link:

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MT. VERNON PTA

Newsletter

Mt. Vernon PTA Needs You!!

Sign up for the PTA at our web store:
mtvernonelementary.givebacks.com

If you use the envelope that comes home with your scholar, please note:
price should be \$10, not \$6*

Dues have gone up this year as our costs with Florida PTA have increased



QR code for magnets and memberships



Magnets are die cut, 5"

Kick Off Meeting:
Tuesday, August 19
6pm in the Media Center

Light dinner and snacks
Children welcome to join

Car Magnet Sale

Show off your Mt. Vernon Elementary pride and help support the PTA by purchasing a car magnet!

Price: \$6 or 2 for \$10

You can purchase with (exact) cash or check at PTA meetings and events or at website below:

mtvernonelementary.givebacks.com

Save the Dates:

August PTA Meeting: Tuesday, August 19 @ 6pm

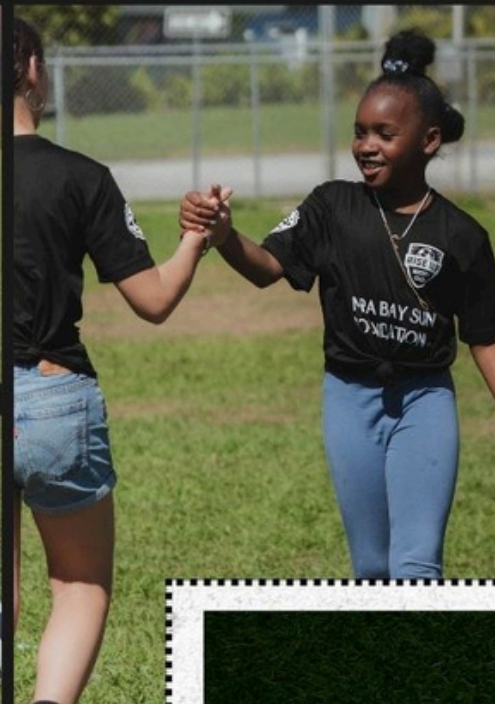
Chuck E. Cheese Spirit Night: Thursday, September 4 @ 3-9pm

September PTA Meeting: Tuesday, September 16 @ 6pm

Fall Festival: Thursday, September 18 @ 5:30-7pm

Chuck E. Cheese Spirit Night: Friday, October 10 @ 3-9pm

Family Mixer (Cage Brewing): Friday, October 17 @ 5pm



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PINELLAS COUNTY UNITED

AUGUST-SEPTEMBER, 2025
MONDAY NIGHTS
FREE-2-PLAY
GIRLS ONLY
AGES 7-12

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