



Parent Weekly Rainbow

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PRINCIPAL DIXON'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

Greetings Unicorn Families!

Welcome to another great week at the unicorn palace! I would like to thank those that came out to our Fall Festival. A time was had by all! A huge shoutout goes to our dedicated PTA who worked diligently to make it all possible. We are so thankful for your commitment to our school community. We would also like to thank those that participated in our Start with Hello Week festivities. Our students were very supportive and ensured that all were included.

This week, our ELP begins. The Principal's Success Squad will start with tutoring on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Enrichment clubs will take place on Wednesday. Enrichment assignments will come home on Monday. Only those students that are assigned will be able to participate. It's not too late to return your enrichment club invitation. We do still have some openings in the following clubs: 5000 Role Models, Girls in Pearls, Code Queens, STEAM, Piano, and Magical Moments. If you haven't already, please return your completed invitation to be assigned.

We are still selling WFC candy bars. We have a few boxes remaining. If you would like to help us get these boxes sold, please stop by or contact the front office. Thank you for all of your help.

Friendly reminder, this week is a Raise the Flags week! We will show our support of our home team, the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, by wearing their gear on Friday. Please join us in celebrating the home team.

Let's have another amazing week!
Principal Dixon



IMPORTANT DATES

SCHOOL SAFETY

September

- 23rd ELP Cycle 1 begins (Principal's Success Squad)
- 24th Enrichment Clubs Begins (assigned students only)
- 25th World Dream Day (House of Dreamers: Reveur)
- 26th National Bravery Day (House of Courage: Isibindi)
- 26th Bucs Raise the Flags Day (wear your bucks gear)
- 26th PBIS Store shopping
- 30th Fall Pictures

October

- 3rd First Friday Family Lunch Day
- 6th Dental Sealant Program begins
- 10th End of Reporting period 1
- 10th Chuck e Cheeses Spirit Night
- 13th Teacher Planning Day; No school for students
- 14th Dental Sealant Program ends
- 17th PTA Family Mixer (Cage Brewing)

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.
- For the safety of all, please use the identified crosswalks when coming on campus. Please DO NOT walk through the car circle during arrival. Thank you for helping us keep you safe.
- 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.
- Visitors must enter through the front office when visiting our campus. Please have identification on you at all times.
- School starts promptly at 8:45. Please ensure that your child arrives in a timely manner to arrive to class on time.



NEWS YOU CAN USE...

- **Attention Parents...**The late bell rings at 8:45. The gate will close at that time. Students arriving after the gate is closed will need to be escorted to the front office, by their parent, to sign in and receive a late pass. We apologize for the inconvenience. Our campus opens at 8:15. Please do your best to ensure students arrive in a timely manner.
- **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.
- **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 out campus safe.

REMINDERS...



- Fridays is House Spirit Day. We encourage students to show their house spirit on Fridays by wearing their house shirt or their house colors. Remember, 4 Houses, 1 Unicorn Family!!!
- Our 1st house meeting of the year was totally awesome! Students learned about character traits and how to properly represent their house with character. Students were encouraged to celebrate their peers in other houses. We also learned our unicorn pledge. Ask your student all about their house meeting.
- The House system is used 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, all are welcome and celebrated. Every student has a place of belonging at Mt. Vernon.

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:

- Fall Portraits (Sept. 30th)
- Field Trips
- Dental Sealant Program (Oct. 6th-14th)
- Great American Teach-In (Nov. 12th)
- 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

**Next PTA Meeting:
Tuesday, September 16
6pm in the Media Center**

Light dinner and snacks
Children welcome to join



Punch Cards for
Food and Extras
can be purchased
with QR code, at
website below, or
at the gate.

**Mt. Vernon Fall Festival
Thursday, September 18
5:30-7pm (enter at playground)**

Free activities include:

- Petting Zoo with goats and bunnies
- Decorate a mini pumpkin
- Field games and prizes
- Teacher led activities

mtvernonelementary.givebacks.com

Save the Dates:

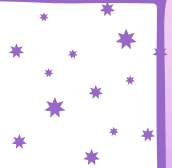
Chuck E. Cheese Spirit Night: Friday, October 10 @ 3-9pm

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

October PTA Meeting: Tuesday, October 21 @ 6pm



PACK VS PRIDE



Thursday is World Dream Day and Friday is National Bravery Day. To honor these character traits, the House of Dreamers (Reveur) and the House of Courage (Isibindi) is hosting a Pack vs Pride event. In honor of these 2 days, students will be encouraged to write down 3 dreams that they have for themselves (World Dream Day). On Friday, students will be encouraged to show their bravery by sharing their dreams with their class! Students will also be encouraged to add their dreams to the dream chain that will be in the cafeteria.

