

From the Principal

Hello Buena Vista Families,

September went by so fast, I can hardly believe it. Everyone is busy and focused, like they had been here for months!

I have some good news. We have six new computers for the computer lab. The school purchased two and BV parent organization purchase four more. They used funds generated by you during the Jog-a-thon. Thank you so much!! The goal for the lab is to have ten new computers by Christmas.

I have a few "housekeeping" items to share with you. A quick reminder that there are no cards in school. If you child wants to bring cards for an after school program, he/she must keep them in their back pack. The only time electronic games are allowed at school are for rainy day recess. If you child believes it will be a rainy day recess, she/he may bring their electronic game, but it must stay in their back pack.

Thank you for the way traffic is flowing so wonderfully this year. I appreciate your efforts in making our parking lot safe for all. One quick traffic reminder. There is only one way traffic in the parking lot during drop off and pick up. Please exit through the back gate.

We have a couple important requests. If you are waiting for your child to be released from their classroom before the afternoon bell, please be very quiet. If you want to plan or visit with other parents, you are very welcome to wait in the hallway outside Ruth's office. Teachers are also requesting that if you need to come to their classroom before the morning bell that you go to their outside doors. Students who have special arrangements to come to teachers' classrooms early need to go to the outside doors as well.

The flag salute will take place on Thursday mornings. We will say the Pledge of Allegiance during morning announcements as a whole school.

Money for Minds is still going on at Valley River. If you have any receipts from VRC, just take them to the customer service desk and register them under Buena Vista/Meadowlark. It's an easy way to get a few extra dollars for our student body account.

Thanks again for all you support. Your are much appreciated! Sra. Blake

October Calendar

4	Deadline for Monthly Scrip Orders	12	Papa's Pizza fundraiser benefiting the 2005 class trip
7	8:30 am Lice check - volunteers needed	25	Site Council
7	Sally Foster orders due	26	BVPO Meeting - 7 PM - library
8	NO SCHOOL - Inservice Day	29	Carnival
12	School Pictures		

Want to submit an article for the Newsletter?

Deadline times are 2:30 PM on the "content deadline" date for information placed in the newsletter envelope (located in the hallway in the office with a schedule of content deadlines and publication dates) and 8:00 PM the same evening for information e-mailed to tsmranck@aol.com. You do not have to create an attachment; putting the information in the body of the e-mail is fine. I'll format it for the newsletter. Material may be edited for space. Due to space constrictions we are unable to include lost dog articles, advertisements, etc. Inclusion of an item in the newsletter is subject to approval by the principal (which I'll obtain). Thanks! Please give me a call or email if you have any questions. Tami Miller, 688-9501.

Sheldon School-Based Health Center News

The School-Based Health Center at Sheldon High School is open for the school year. The center is staffed with a school nurse, nurse practitioner, mental health therapist and health clerk. The clinic provides immunizations, well child care, illness and injury diagnosis and treatment and mental health services to 4J students and their siblings from birth through age 19. Appointments are preferred. Students with a health care provider are encourage to continue seeing that provider. However, if for some reason access to that care is a problem, please give us a call.

Oregon Health Plan and many insurance carriers can be billed for services. If patients do not have insurance, services can be provided on a sliding fee scale, however, no one is refused services for an inability to pay.

The Sheldon School-Based Center is open Monday through Friday, phone number is 687-3345.

