


# Valley Oak Elementary School

# Wildcat Weekly

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Mon. 11/11	Tues. 11/12	Wed. 11/13	Thur. 11/14	Fri. 11/15
<b>Canned Food Drive ~ Ends Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup></b>				
<b>Veterans Day</b>  No School	<b>Drama Auditions</b> 7:15AM Rm. 16	<b>Early Release Times</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> - 6 <sup>th</sup> 1:45PM KAM @ 11:05AM KPM starts @ 11:00AM	<b>Drama Auditions</b> 7:15AM Rm. 16	<b>Canned Food Drive Ends</b>   <b>Donuts With Dads</b> 7:30AM-8:20AM MPR  <b>Girls &amp; Boys A Team Basketball</b> <b>Clovis West Shootout</b> Dep 12:00PM Ret 4:15PM CWHS
	<b>Vision/Hearing Screenings</b> (K, 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> ) LMC	<b>The Gathering @ 8:25AM MPR</b> <b>Character Counts Day!</b> <b>Wear your shirts!!CC</b> <b>Recog: Gr. 2 &amp; 3</b>	<b>Student Council Meeting</b> 7:45AM Rm. 9	
	<b>Oral Interpretation</b> 3:15-4:15PM Rm. 3	<b>Rehearsal for Orchestra Concert</b> Dep 9:00PM Ret 11:45PM CN PAC	<b>Rm. 6 to Sports Clinics</b> Dep. 9:00AM CWHS	
	<b>John's Incredible Ready, Set, Fund Trip</b> Dep 10:45PM Ret 1:30PM	<b>CW Area Orchestra Articulation Concert</b> 6:15PM-8:30PM CN PAC		
		<b>CUSD Board Meeting</b> 6:30PM PDB		
No School	<b>Winter Sports Practice BBB/GBB &amp; Wrestling</b> 3:15-4:15PM	<b>Cheer Practice</b> 3:00-4:00PM <b>Comp Cheer</b> 3:00-4:30PM MPR	<b>Winter Sports Practice BBB/GBB &amp; Wrestling</b> 3:15-4:15PM	<b>Girls &amp; Boys B Team Basketball and Wrestling Practice</b> 3:15-4:15PM
No School	French Toast Sticks Sausage Breakfast Pizza Strawberry Yogurt Green Beans Hash Browns 100% Fruit Juice	Bean and Cheese Burrito Chicken Patty Sandwich Salsa Chili Beans California Raisins	Chicken Alfredo Cheese Filled Bread Sticks Marinara Sauce Green Garden Salad Baby Carrots Strawberry Cup	Corn Dog Garlic Cheese Bread Corn Mixed Vegetables Dried Cranberries
<b>Math Cats</b>  <b>Rm. 1</b> Elizabeth A. Ryan S.  <b>Rm. 2</b> Avery S. Anila H.  <b>Rm. 8</b> Mark B. Luke L. Ethan S.  <b>Rm. 9</b> Noah L. Natsume G. Mia C. Kimberly G.  <b>Rm. 14</b> Reyes L. Ava G. Andrew W. Isaiah C. Emma L. Lane K.  <b>Rm. 16</b> Jacob P. Matthew M.			<b>Quote of the Week</b>  “Try not to compare yourself to others, you don’t have to follow the crowd. Be what you choose to be, not what others tell you they think you should be.”	<b>Upcoming Events</b>  <b>11/25 - 29</b> Thanksgiving Break- No School <b>12/12</b> Winter Holiday Program <b>12/24 - 1/3</b> Winter Break <b>1/6</b> Staff Development Day- No School <b>1/7</b> Students return to school <b>1/24</b> Movie Night <b>2/7</b> Muffins w/Mom

## Principal's Message

Dear Wildcat Families,

Now that we have had the time change, the days seem to be coming and going even faster.

This week we practiced a lock down drill and our students did a fabulous job. This included an age appropriate conversation as to why we prepare for such things. Our intention is never to frighten, yet to prepare for anything unexpected. In fact, we practice at least once safety drill each month as part of our safety plan. If you would like more information relative to our preparations, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Enjoy your weekend!

With Wildcat Pride,

Julie Duwe  
Principal

## VOPC

Our Holiday Fundraiser has begun! Now thru November 20<sup>th</sup> we will be selling Poinsettias from Belmont Nursery to benefit our Valley Oak Parent Club! The cost is \$12 per plant and all orders will be available to pick up the afternoon of December 3<sup>rd</sup>. The poinsettias come beautifully wrapped and make a wonderful gift for family, friends, teachers and neighbors!! **Order forms with cash or checks (made payable to VOPC) will be due no later than Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>.**

Remember, you can stay up to date with the latest VOPC news and info by following us on Social Media - we are on Facebook under **Valley Oak Parent Club** and on Instagram under **"voparentclub"**.

## Canned Food Drive

Student Council will continue collecting non-perishable food items to give to needy local families again this year. Examples of items needed are: canned vegetables, canned yams, boxed potatoes, flour, sugar, desert mixes, pasta, etc.... The final day for the Canned Food Drive is on Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup>. Lets get the word out and collect more cans than we did last year!

## Martin Luther King, Jr. ART/ESSAY/SPEECH Contest

Students in grades K-6 are invited to submit their entries for the 2020 Martin Luther King, Jr. Art and Essay Contest. This year's theme is

**The Dream 2020: The Future Begins Today**

**ART Contest:** Open to grades K-6<sup>th</sup>

**ESSAY and/or SPEECH Contest:** Grades 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> only.

If you'd like to participate, ask your teacher for an informational flyer and the specific entry requirements. All entries are due to Mrs. Melillo NO LATER than Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## When to keep your child home

When should I keep my child home? If your child is ill, please keep them home from school. This will help keep our school a healthier place for everyone! As a parent, it's often difficult to determine whether your child should be kept home or sent to school. The following are some guidelines provided by our school nurse to help make the decision a little easier!

### It's best to keep you child home if he or she:

- Has a fever of 100 degrees or higher. Please keep your child home until the fever has been gone for 24 hours and without the use of medication.
- Has vomited in the last 24 hours.
- Has excessive tiredness or lack of appetite due to illness.
- Has a productive cough, sneezing or congestion w/a green runny nose.
- Has a headache, body aches or earache.
- Has a sore throat, particularly if accompanied by headache and/or upset stomach.

## Report an Absence

- ❖ It is so important to let us know when your kids are absent. Please choose one of the following ways to report an absence: • Submit your child's absence through our website **at Report an Absence**
- ❖ Submit your child's absence through our Clovis Unified App. Just click, **"Report an Absence"**
- ❖ Call the Valley Oak front office at (559) 327-8200 \*Absences must be cleared through the front office within 5 days or they will remain, "uncleared".
- ❖ Classwork and homework can be requested by emailing the teacher no later than 10:00AM. Work will be in the office available for pick up after school at 3:30PM Please remember teachers need this time because they are teaching throughout the day. Please call the office prior to picking up work to verify that the homework is ready.

## Caps for Kids

Student Council would like to give a big thank you to everyone who donated to Caps for Kids. Together, we collected almost \$300 going towards helping kids with cancer get fun caps to wear during their treatment. Great job wildcats!

## New Q Mobile App

There is a new mobile app for both Q Parent Connect and Q Student Connect. Parents or students can download the app from Google Play or the Apple Store (Q ParentConnection and Q StudentConnection). Once downloaded, the parent or student will need to enter California as the state, Fresno as the county and then select Clovis USD. Once the parent or student has chosen Clovis USD, they will use the login button in the upper right corner of the app and login with their normal Parent Connect or Student Connect Pin and Password.

## Donuts with Dad

Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup> is our annual Donuts with Dad. We invite all students to bring their dad, father figure or other male VIP to join in our annual breakfast. This is a complimentary event which includes, a donut, drink and photograph. We hope you can join us November 15<sup>th</sup> 7:30-8:20AM in the MPR.