

2011 - 2012

February 2012



Cubs Connection



Valley View Elementary School

Principally Speaking ...

Creating a Climate for Learning

Valley View Elementary is a place where everyone is someone special. Our school is organized and designed to facilitate and enable "teachers to teach and students to learn." The efforts of the staff to create a climate for learning at Valley View are reflected in the accomplishments and achievements of our students.

Our educational goal is to make learning so exciting that students will experience the joy of discovering new ideas, building new skills and develop a love of learning that will create "life-long learners." Student work and projects are proudly displayed throughout the school and students who complete their work on time are reinforced and praised by teachers.

Positive attitudes toward school and staff and long term changes in behavior are the staff's behavioral goals for each student. The staff focuses on positive, effective approaches in building self esteem by teaching children respect for themselves and others. Students are provided many opportunities to develop and demonstrate self discipline and responsibility.

The Valley View staff is deeply committed to providing and maintaining a strong discipline policy for students. We believe that all students have the right to a quality education. We firmly believe that each student has a right to attend school to learn and play in a positive and safe environment.

Respect and responsibility are strong components of our school discipline program and they are evident throughout the school. Valley View students know school wide rules which are consistently and equitably enforced. All of our staff are trained to be fair and consistent in the implementation of the simple rules and guidelines here at Valley View.

Positive behavior and performance is recognized through a variety of awards such as the Kids of Character Awards. Each month those students who received a Kids of Character award have their picture taken and displayed on our Kids of Character wall in the office.

Homework is an integral part of school and helps students develop responsibility and good study habits by successfully completing homework assignments. Emphasis is on the quality of the experience rather than the quantity of the work. Homework is a link between school and home, and Valley View parent support for homework is an important factor towards building positive attitudes and good study habits.

Valley View's learning environment is a school strength. Classrooms and school programs reflect the school's strong emphasis on learning. Students and parents express pride in our school. The school takes every opportunity to recognize and reward students, staff and parents for their successes and accomplishments. The community's pride in school facilities has resulted in almost no incidences of vandalism. The school community's total support for quality education at Valley View is impressive. Thank you to all for partnering with us to create this environment.

Home-school communication provides parents information about their children's school programs and ways they can be involved and supportive of school efforts. With the support of parents and community, the staff and students have created a school at Valley View where a climate of learning is one of the primary educational goals. We hope we have created a school climate where the love of learning enables every child at Valley View to experience personal success and develop into life long learners.

Sincerely,

Shari Anderson, Principal



Valley View Elementary School

Rocklin Unified School District February 2012 Reminders Valley View Elementary School

President's/Holiday Break-
February 20 - 24, 2012



Yearbook

Valley View Yearbook Sales have begun!

The price of the Valley View Yearbook is \$21.00. Last day to place your order is March 26, 2012. If you would like to purchase a yearbook, please find a yearbook order form on our website (www.vves.rocklin.k12.ca.us), fill out the bottom of the flyer and turn it in to the office or your child's teacher. Please make checks payable to VVES ASB.



CANINE CONCERNS

Dogs are everyone's best friend! Unfortunately, Valley View is not the place to bring them during school hours, pick up or on nights/weekends. This is to ensure the safety of all our students and the cleanliness of our learning and play environment. Thank you in advance for helping with this matter.



Dear Valley View Families,

I am happy to report that I have made a healthy recovery. Thank you for all your loving thoughts and prayers.

I have been blessed to be a teacher for 37 years. It has been a wonderful journey; however, it is time to close my teaching career. I love all the Valley View families and will miss everyone! I will not be a stranger to the campus. I plan to visit when I can.

During my 35 years teaching in Rocklin, I have taught at 5 schools. Valley View has the strongest parent support of all the schools. The students are fortunate to have a great parent/teacher connection. This teamwork certainly is the key to student success!

Once again, thank you for all your good wishes and prayers.

Love,

Mrs. U.



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CHARACTER CORNER

Focus for February is **Fairness**

Characteristics of being FAIR include playing by rules, taking turns, sharing, open-mindedness, good listening, accepting responsibility as opposed to blame and treating others equally and respectfully. Thank you for reinforcing these traits at home as we do at school. Our students are doing a great job at regularly displaying character that makes all of us proud.

SIX PILLARS OF CHARACTER

- FAIRNESS
- TRUSTWORTHINESS
- RESPECT
- RESPONSIBILITY
- CARING
- CITIZENSHIP



Safety matters

The big lot parking is crowded at 7:50 a.m. Reminder that school starts at 7:50 a.m. and supervision is available at 7:35 a.m. Please follow the traffic forward to the front of the line and then drop off. Please wait patiently and do not pull out in front of others. Our number one concern is SAFETY for OUR children.



To save paper, trees and money, we will begin to send more notices home by way of email from teachers and/or our School Messenger communication system.

THANK YOU PTC!!!

WOW! I am amazed by the impact that parents can have on a school and its students, specifically OURS! Last summer, PTC board inquired about, listened to and decided to act upon supporting our school goals. This practice encourages a true partnership between school, home and community that benefits our children, and in turn, benefits all of us. Just to mention a few endeavors that PTC supported this year include the following;

- Grandma Rose Assembly
- Phil Tulga Assembly
- Wild Things Assembly (Feb 17)
- Playground Equipment
- AR/AM Licenses
- Books for all grades & Library
- Teacher Resources
- School Camera
- The NEW SCIENCE LAB!

THANK YOU to everyone as this does not happen without you giving your time and resources! VV Staff appreciate YOU!

Valley View Website
www.vves.rocklin.k12.ca.us